

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 3

Virtual
Via Microsoft Teams

2021 FEB 23
7:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Ellen Chambers (Chair)
Trudy Tuchenhagen (Vice Chair)
Marg Arnone
Sue Doughty-Smith
Deborah Massaro
Ron Oikonen

Ryan Sitch
George Saarinen
Scottie Wemigwans
Keira Essex (Indigenous Student
Trustee)
Simran Talpade (Student Trustee)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Ian MacRae, Director of Education
Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business
AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education
Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Ryan McDonnell, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals
Meghan Smelow, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals
Dave Covello, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Oikonen

"THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 3, February 23, 2021, be approved."

CARRIED

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Wemigwans

“THAT we resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session with Trustee Chambers in the chair to consider the following:

- *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of:*
 - *Regular Board Meeting No. 2, January 26, 2021.*
- *Property Matters (022-21)*
- *Negotiations Update (019-21)*
- *Negotiations Update (020-21)*

and that this meeting shall not be open to the public pursuant to Section 207 (2) of the Education Act as amended.”

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – CLOSED SESSION:

3. Committee of the Whole – Closed Session items were dealt with in their entirety.

PUBLIC SESSION:

4. Report of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Sitch

“THAT the Report of the Regular Board – Committee of the Whole – Closed Session be adopted with the following recommendations therein:

‘THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 2, January 26, 2021.’

‘THAT the Memorandum of Settlement, Appendix A, as negotiated between the Lakehead District School Board and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers’ Federation (OSSTF) representing OSSTF, District 6A, Occasional Teachers Bargaining Unit effective February 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022, be ratified by the Board, and that the Officers of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board and affix the corporate seal thereto.’

THAT the Memorandum of Settlement, Appendix A, as negotiated between the Lakehead District School Board and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers’ Federation (OSSTF) representing OSSTF, District 6A, Teachers’ Bargaining Unit effective January 12, 2021 to August 31, 2022, be ratified by the Board, and that the Officers of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Board and affix the corporate seal thereto.”

CARRIED

5. Celebrating Student Achievement – École Gron Morgan Public School

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, introduced Erin Aylward, Principal, École Gron Morgan Public School and Lori Badanai, Vice Principal, École Gron Morgan Public School, who presented on the initiatives: *Our Journey as a Legacy School: A Path through ReconciliATIONS and Our School Improvement Plan*. A PowerPoint presentation was displayed highlighting activities they introduced to students to support Truth and Reconciliation at École Gron Morgan Public School, with a focus on Call to Action 63.3.

All trustees' questions were addressed.

6. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

"THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 2, January 26, 2021."

CARRIED

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

7. Ontario Public School Boards' Association Report

Trustee Saarinen, Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Director and voting delegate, informed the Board that the next Directors' Meeting would be held January 27, 2021.

8. Indigenous Student Trustee Report

Keira Essex, Indigenous Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: Welcome to Kindergarten virtual event, Equity and Inclusive Education Advisory Committee meeting, Budget Committee meeting, Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting, I Read Canadian Day virtual event, Lakehead District School Board Strategic Planning Session, implementation of medicine tables, upcoming student trustee elections and infographic development for the role of student trustees.

9. Student Trustee Report

Simran Talpade, Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: I Read Canadian Day virtual event, Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA-AECO) Conference, Toronto Youth Cabinet meeting and student trustee elections.

10. COVID-19 General Update

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, and AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, provided a verbal update on COVID-19 related issues affecting the Lakehead District School Board. All trustees' questions were addressed.

10.1 Suspension of Rules – 7.1.18 Notices of Motion

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board suspend section 7.1.18 Notices of Motion of the Lakehead District School Board Procedural By-Law to allow for the following motion to be brought forward without notice:

”THAT Lakehead District School Board immediately requests and strongly urges that the Thunder Bay District Health Unit use their authority to move all schools, that comprise the Lakehead District School Board, to virtual learning as of Monday, March 1, 2021, for a period of a minimum of two weeks, with the option for indefinite extension, to be determined via discussions between the Thunder Bay District Health Unit and the Senior Administrative Team of Lakehead District School Board.”

CARRIED

Trustee Arnone called for a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote:

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
Arnone	X	
Chambers	X	
Doughty-Smith	X	
Massaro		X
Oikonen	X	
Saarinen	X	
Sitch	X	
Tuchenhagen	X	
Wemigwans	X	

CARRIED

10.2 Communication to the Thunder Bay District Health Unit

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

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Trustee Arnone called for a recorded vote.

Recorded Vote:

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Opposed</u>
<i>Arnone</i>	X	
<i>Chambers</i>	X	
<i>Doughty-Smith</i>	X	
<i>Massaro</i>	X	
<i>Oikonen</i>	X	
<i>Saarinen</i>	X	
<i>Sitch</i>	X	
<i>Tuchenhagen</i>	X	
<i>Wemigwans</i>	X	

CARRIED

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

11. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (023-21)

School Year Calendar 2021-2022 (017-21)

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board:

- 1. Approve the proposed 2021-2022 elementary school year calendar, including the opening and closing dates and professional activity days, as described in Appendix A of Report No. 017-21.*
- 2. Approve the proposed 2021-2022 secondary school year calendar, including the opening and closing dates, professional activity days and examination days, as described in Appendix B of Report No. 017-21.”*

CARRIED

Policy Review – 4020 Alternative Schools (018-21)

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Sitch

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 4020 – Alternative Schools Policy, Appendix A to Report No. 018-21.”

CARRIED

12. Appointment to the 2020-2021 Parent Involvement Committee (021-21)

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the appointment of Erin Waddington as school council representative on the 2020-2021 Parent Involvement Committee for the term November 15, 2020 to November 14, 2021.

CARRIED

13. Information and Inquiries

13.1 Trustee Saarinen informed trustees of the recent Student Transportation Services of Thunder Bay Governance Committee Meeting and indicated that the information would be distributed to trustees through the executive secretary.

13.2 Chair Chambers provided an update on her participation in the virtual I Read Canadian event where she read to Grades 2 through 8.

14. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT we do now adjourn at 8:59 p.m.”

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – March 23, 2021

Chair

Secretary