

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 5

Virtual
Via Microsoft Teams

2021 APR 27
7:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

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

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

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

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Leslie Hynnes, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals
Angela Lee-Wiwcharyk, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

"THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 5, April 27, 2021, be approved."

CARRIED

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Arnone

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“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. 4, March 23, 2021*
- *Legal Matters*

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 Saarinen

“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. 4, March 23, 2021.’”

CARRIED

5. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 4, March 23, 2021.”

CARRIED

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

6. Ontario Public School Boards’ Association Report

Trustee Saarinen, Ontario Public School Boards’ Association (OPSBA) Director and voting delegate, informed the Board that the OPSBA Annual General Meeting will be held on June 12, 2021, virtually.

7. Indigenous Student Trustee Report

Keira Essex, Indigenous Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: incoming student trustee and Indigenous student trustee interviews, provincial roundtable regarding de-streaming, Trustee Communications Committee meeting, and Starlight Tours conference.

8. Student Trustee Report

Simran Talpade, Student Trustee, provided a handout as her report. Items addressed included: Budget Committee meeting, incoming student trustee and Indigenous student trustee interviews, meeting with incoming Student Trustee Mago, and Trustee Communications Committee meeting.

9. New Teacher Induction Program (035-21)

AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education, introduced Elaine Oades, Principal of New Teacher Induction Program, and Fred Van Elburg, Elementary Coordinator, who presented the report. All trustees' questions were addressed.

10. Revised School Year Calendars 2021-2022 (034-21)

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, presented the report. All trustees' questions were addressed.

11. COVID-19 General Update

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

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

12. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (036-21)

Policy Review – 8072 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (031-21)

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Saarinen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 8072 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Policy, Appendix A to Report No. 031-21”

CARRIED

Policy Review – 8061 Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee (024-21)

Moved by Trustee Wemigwans

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 8061 Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Policy, Appendix A to Report No. 024-21.”

CARRIED

Multi-Year Strategic Plan 2021-2024 (033-21)

Moved by Trustee Wemigwans

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the 2021-2024 Strategic Plan attached as Appendix A to Report No. 033-21).

CARRIED

13. Notices of Motion – Letter to Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT trustees write a letter to the Minister of Education regarding their proposed expansion of virtual learning, expressing our serious concern of this proposal.”

CARRIED

14. Information and Inquiries

15.1 Trustee Arnone updated trustees on the Ontario Public School Boards' Association virtual speaker series session that she attended. Tyler Stewart from the band Barenaked Ladies presented on *The Arts and Public Education*.

15. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

“THAT we do now adjourn at 9:05 p.m.”

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – May 25, 2021

Chair

Secretary