

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 11

Virtual
Via Microsoft Teams

2021 JUN 22
7:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Trudy Tuchenhausen (Vice Chair)
Marg Arnone
Sue Doughty-Smith
Ron Oikonen
Deborah Massaro
George Saarinen

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

TRUSTEE ABSENT, WITH REGRET:

Ellen Chambers (Chair)

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

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

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Donna Flaszka, Lakehead Principals/Vice Principals
Angela Lee-Wiwcharyk, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 11, June 22, 2021, be approved.”

CARRIED

Trustee Tuchenhausen held the position of chair for the duration of the meeting.

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Oikonen

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

- *Confirmation of Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes*
 - *Regular Board Meeting No. 7, May 25, 2021*
- *Personnel Matters*
- *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 Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

“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. 7, May 25, 2021.’”

CARRIED

5. Ontario Public School Boards’ Association (OPSBA) Award of Excellence and Achievement Award

Trustee Oikonen introduced and recognized Tanya Moses, Alternative Secondary School Support Worker, the 2021 recipient of the OPSBA Award of Excellence and Achievement.

6. Ontario Public School Boards’ Association (OPSBA) Achievement Award

Trustee Tuchenhagen introduced and recognized Wilma Kleynendorst, Member, Special Education Advisory Committee, a recipient of the 2020 OPSBA Achievement Award. The selection of the 2020 award recipients was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

7. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Achievement Award

Trustee Arnone introduced and recognized Steve Shonosky, Volleyball Coach, Westgate Collegiate and Vocational Institute, a recipient of the 2020 OPSBA Achievement Award. The selection of the 2020 award recipients was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

8. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Doughty-Smith

"THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 7, May 25, 2021."

CARRIED

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

9. Ontario Public School Boards' Association Report

Trustee Saarinen, Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Director and voting delegate, informed the Board that he recently attended the OPSBA General meeting on Saturday, June 12, 2021. At that meeting, the OPSBA Award of Excellence and Achievement Award recipients were announced. Regional Elections were also completed, which included Trustee Tuchenhausen becoming a new member of the Education Program Work Group, and Trustee Sitch becoming a new member of the Policy Development Work Group.

10. Indigenous Student Trustee Final Report (058-21)

Keira Essex, Indigenous Student Trustee, presented her final report for her term as the Indigenous student trustee. Items addressed included: her year in review, regrets, and recommendations for the future Indigenous student trustee.

11. Student Trustee Final Report (059-21)

Simran Talpade, Student Trustee, presented her final report for her term as the student trustee. Items addressed included: her year in review, regrets, and recommendations for the future student trustee.

12. Audit Committee Report

Trustee Oikonen provided a verbal report on the June 7, 2021, Audit Committee Meeting.

13. Human Rights, Equity, and Inclusive Education Report (046-21)

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, presented the report.

14. Annual Review of the Plan to Deliver Special Education Programs and Services 2020-2021 (057-21)

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, introduced Lori Carson, Special Education Officer, to present the report.

15. COVID-19 General Update

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, provided a verbal update on COVID-19 related issues affecting Lakehead District School Board.

16. Equity and Inclusive Education Advisory Committee Minutes – February 3, 2021

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, presented the minutes.

17. Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Minutes – May 13, 2021

Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education, presented the minutes.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

18. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (060-21)

Appointments to the Supervised Alternative Learning Committee 2021-2022 (043-21)

Moved by Trustee Oikonen

Seconded by Trustee Sitch

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the following appointments to the Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee for the 2021-2022 school year:

- *Marg Arnone, Trustee;*
- *Sue Doughty-Smith, Trustee (Alternate);*
- *Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education;*
- *Nicholas Sacevich, Student Success Lead/MISA Board Lead;*
- *Dianna Atkinson, Service Delivery Manager, YES Employment Services;*
- *Brad McKay, Employment Services Coordinator, YES Employment Services; and*
- *Lorna Hunda, Acting Executive Director, YES Employment Services (Alternate).”*

CARRIED

19. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (060-21)

Policy Review – 3100 Accessibility Standards for Customer Service (038-21)

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 3100 Accessibility Standards for Customer Service Policy (renamed as Accessibility Policy), Appendix A to Report No. 038-21.”

CARRIED

20. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (060-21)

Policy Development – 7021 Teacher Hiring (050-21)

Moved by Trustee Doughty-Smith

Seconded by Trustee Oikonen

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 7021 Teacher Hiring Policy, Appendix A to Report No. 050-21.”

CARRIED

21. Recommendations from the Standing Committee (060-21)

Policy Development – 7022 Conflict of Interest – Teacher Hiring Policy (049-21)

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve 7022 Conflict of Interest –Teacher Hiring Policy, Appendix A, Report No. 049-21.”

CARRIED

22. Recommendation from the Budget Committee (056-21)

2021-2022 Budget (055-21)

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the 2021-2022 operating and capital budget of \$148,326,639 as presented.”

CARRIED

23. Information and Inquiries

Ian MacRae, Director of Education, notified trustees that former Student Trustee Lahama Naeem sends her congratulations to Indigenous Student Trustee Essex and Student Trustee Talpade for all the work they have accomplished during their terms. Director MacRae indicated that former Student Trustee Naeem has just been elected as president of the Lakehead University Student Union.

24. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Arnone

“THAT we do now adjourn at 9:00 p.m.”

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – September 28, 2021

Chair

Secretary