

LAKEHEAD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 10

Board Room/Microsoft Teams
Jim McCuaig Education Centre

2023 SEP 26
7:30 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Ellen Chambers (Chair)
Donica LeBlanc (Vice Chair)
Ron Oikonen
George Saarinen
Ryan Sitch
Leah Vanderwey
Pat Johansen (Virtual)

Morgann De Franceschi (Student
Trustee)
Emily Drake (Indigenous Student
Trustee)
Trudy Tuchenhagen
Scottie Wemigwans

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION:

Sherri-Lynne Pharand, Director of Education
Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Business
AJ Keene, Superintendent of Education
Jane Lower, Superintendent of Education
Michelle Probizanski, Superintendent of Education
Heather Harris, Superintendent of Education

FEDERATION/UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

Dave Covello, Managers

PUBLIC SESSION:

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Wemigwans

*"THAT the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting No. 10, September 26, 2023,
be approved."*

CARRIED

2. Resolve into Committee of the Whole – Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Sitch

Seconded by Trustee LeBlanc

“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
- Regular Board Meeting No. 9, June 27, 2023*
- *Personnel Matter*
- *Personnel Matter*
- *Property Matter*

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 recommendation therein:

‘THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole – Closed Session Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 9, June 27, 2023.’”

CARRIED

5. Celebrating Student Achievement- Kingfisher- Outdoor Experiential Learning

Kirsti Alaksa, Superintendent of Education, introduced Kelly Henderson, Lead Instructor, Kingfisher Education Centre, who presented information on the outdoor experiential learning and the facilities at Kingfisher Education Centre. All trustees' questions were addressed.

6. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Trustee Tuchenhagen

Seconded by Trustee Oikonen

"THAT Lakehead District School Board approve the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 9, June 27, 2023."

CARRIED

MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A DECISION:

7. Indigenous Student Trustee Report

Emily Drake, Indigenous Student Trustee, provided her first report to the Board. Items addressed included: her objectives for the coming year and throughout her 2023-2025 term as Indigenous student trustee. Included in these objectives are, improved awareness/ understanding of celebrated days in the Indigenous culture within the schools, language revitalization, helping to improve on Indigenous curriculum that is available to Lakehead District School Board students and strengthening ties with OSTA-AECO members.

All trustees' questions were addressed.

8. Student Trustee Report

Morgann De Franceschi, Student Trustee, provided her first report to the Board. Items addressed included: her objectives for the coming year and throughout her 2023-2025 term as student trustee. Included in these objectives are, become a recognizable and approachable community figure, provoke student leadership within the schools and the community, work on issues surrounding identity and equity in the LGBTQ2S+ community, and establish good connections with other student trustees in our region.

All trustees' questions were addressed.

9. Summer Learning Programs K-12

Jane Lower, Superintendent of Education, introduced Fred Van Elburg, Elementary Program Coordinator, along with Anika Guthrie, Principal of Indigenous Education, who presented the report to the Board on the Summer Learning Programs K-12. Highlighted in the report were the goals of the programs, including, preventing "summer slide", working with community food partners for food/ nutrition resources, working with the many community partners to enrich students experiences in the summer programs, Indigenous youth programs (Mino Bimaadiziwin and the Grade 8 First Nation, Métis, Inuit Reach Ahead Credit).

All trustees' questions were addressed.

MATTERS FOR DECISION:

10. Information and Inquiries

- 10.1 Trustee Tuchenhagen inquired about how the new cafeteria program was being received by students. Director Pharand informed the Board that it is a phased approach, so it is still in the early phases; however, feedback on partnering with Roots Community Food Centre has been positive.
- 10.2 Trustee Saarinen inquired if there was any information on bus driver shortages since the start of the school year. Superintendent Alaksa responded that there have been some cancellations but that there have been no concerns expressed from parents.
- 10.3 Chair Chambers informed the Board that the Minister of Education is looking to have standardization of the Director's Performance Appraisal throughout the province. More information will be forthcoming.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Saarinen

Seconded by Trustee Tuchenhagen

"THAT we do now adjourn at 9:10 p.m."

CARRIED

CONFIRMED BY THE BOARD – October 24, 2023



Chair



Secretary