



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for **December 20, 2017**  
 held at **231 Hardin Street**, Fort McMurray, AB T9H 2G2  
*Doing What's Best for Kids*

Location:	Board Room - 231 Hardin Street
Date:	Wednesday, December 20, 2017
In Attendance:	Linda Mywaart, Board Chair Angela Adams, Vice Chair Stephen Drover, Trustee Jonathan Lambert, Trustee Solange Maher, Trustee Dan Rizzuto, Trustee Doug Nicholls, Superintendent Phil Meagher, Chief Deputy Superintendent - Human Resources & Administration Allan Kallal, Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance Katie Elser, Recording Secretary
Absent	Tim O'Hara, Trustee Shannon Noble, Assistant Superintendent - Inclusive Education

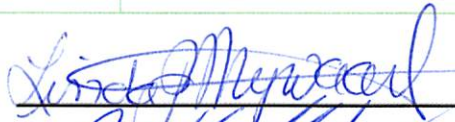
	Item	Discussion
22338	Call to Order	Board Chair L. Mywaart called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.
22339	Additions to Agenda	Additions to Agenda: #10: RMWB social sustainability update  Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the Agenda as amended at 2:08 p.m. M/C
22340	Declaration of Conflict	Board Chair L. Mywaart reminded Trustees of their responsibility to make a declaration should any agenda item pose a conflict and remove themselves from the meeting for those items.
22341	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	Motion by Trustee Maher that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 29, 2017 at 2:10 p.m. M/C
22342	Motion to move In Camera	Motion by Trustee Lambert to proceed to In Camera at 2:11 p.m. M/C
22343	Motion to move Out of In Camera	Motion by Trustee Drover to come out of In Camera at 4:01 p.m. M/C
22344	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 4:01 p.m.
22345	Time Specific: 4:00 p.m. Grade Configuration	Superintendent Nicholls reviewed the board recommendation presented on grade reconfiguration at Westwood Community High School and Ecole McTavish Jr. High School. It was noted that the two recommendations presented would be voted on separately.  12.2 Motion by Trustee Adams that the Board of Trustees approve the grade configuration of Westwood Community High School and Ecole McTavish Junior High to be grades 7 - 12 effective the 2018-19 school year at 4:15 p.m. M/C

		Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees approve Westwood Community High School be designated the site where Advanced Placement courses will be offered and that Ecole McTavish be designated as the site for the PEAK athletic program and secondary French Immersion site for Fort McMurray Public School District at 4:23 p.m. M/C
22346	Recess	Motion by Trustee Adams to recess at 4:24 p.m. M/C
22347	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 4:33 p.m.
22348	Motion to move In Camera	Motion by Trustee Drover to proceed to In Camera at 4:34 p.m. M/C
22349	Motion to move Out of In Camera	Motion by Trustee Drover to move out of In Camera at 5:25 p.m. M/C
22350	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 5:25 p.m.
22351	Recess	Motion by Trustee Drover to Recess at 5:26 p.m.
22352	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
22353	Business Arising from Previous Meetings	No business arising was noted.
22354	Public School Boards' Association/Public School Board Council Update	Board Chair L. Mywaart noted that registration packages were forwarded via email regarding the PSBC meeting in February.  No update was provided as Trustee O'Hara was absent.
22355	Alberta School Boards Association Update	Board Chair L. Mywaart was unable to attend the Zone2-3 meeting on November 24, 2017, but was sent notes and will share them with the Trustees electronically. The next Zone meeting will be held on January 19, 2017.  It was noted that further discussion and agenda item for January will include decisions on Trustee attendance at Annual General Meetings or Spring General Meetings.  Chief Deputy P. Meagher arrived at 6:04 p.m.
22356	Trustee Engagement for November 30 - December 19, 2017	Board Chair L. Mywaart provided a summary of community engagements, school holiday events and concerts and provincial association meetings that were attended for the period of November 30 - December 19, 2017.
22357	Recess	Motion by Trustee Rizzuto to recess at 6:24 p.m. M/C
22358	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
22359	O Canada	Board Chair L. Mywaart welcomed students, staff, parents and community members and invited everyone to stand for the National Anthem.  A moment of silence was observed for CUPE Local 2545 President Lorna Tollman who passed away on December 9, 2017.
22360	Question Period	A question was submitted by Mr. Jeff Thompson. "What is the status on the renaming of Fort McMurray Composite High School and the decision of the Board?"  Board Chair L. Mywaart thanked the audience member for the question and noted that there was no recommendation presented during November's Board meeting to change the name of the school. While there will be no name change in the foreseeable future, there will be a revisioning committee formed in the future.

22361	Spotlight on Students	<p>23.1 Timberlea Public School - Archery Program Students presented on the archery program, which started in September 2017 for grades 4-6. Over 50 students registered. They spoke about the initiative being “fun, relaxing, and challenging.” Staff hope to have students ready for local competition soon.</p> <p>23.2 Greely Road Public School Three siblings from the school presented an overview of the many programs available at Greely Road Public School. They talked about <i>Instruments of Change</i>, featuring weekly music lessons and enjoying free lunch daily supported by the Alberta Government. Additionally, they spoke about the valuable Elder visits and being a <i>Leader in Me School</i>.</p>
22362	District Showcase	<p>24.1 Top 50 under 50 YMM Magazine - Scott Barr Congratulations to Scott Barr, Principal, Ecole McTavish Junior High School, who made the prestigious Top 50 Under 50 <i>YMM magazine</i> list last month. Selected for championing FMPSD youth, among other things, Scott has been a quality leader in the District, as well as overseeing our PEAK Athletic Academy.</p> <p>24.2 TAFI Award (Twitter, Apps, Facebook, Instagram) Rick Thorne, Principal, Christina Gordon Public School runs Christina Gordon’s Twitter account, which boasts over 3,400 tweets despite being one of the newest FMPSD schools. A social media champion, Rick knows the value of “telling our story.” This is evident in the school culture where many classes are on some form of social media promoting activities daily, with a goal, says Rick “to have all staff on Twitter.” It was agreed that Rick was a very deserving winner of the TAFI Award.</p> <p>Board Chair L. Mywaart thanked all of the staff, students and parents who attended the Spotlight portion of the meeting. It was noted that seeing the presentations is the highlight of the monthly meetings.</p>
22363	Recess	Motion by Trustee Adams to recess at 7:24 p.m. M/C
22364	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 7:33 p.m.
22365	Reports	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current activities held throughout the District.</p> <p>Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Human Resources and Administration Department.</p> <p>Associate Superintendent A. Kallal updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Business &amp; Finance Department.</p> <p>Superintendent D. Nicholls, on behalf of Assistant Superintendent S. Noble updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Inclusive Education/Mental Health Department.</p>
22366	AP 260 Field Trips & Excursions	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls reviewed the revised dates submitted by Westwood Community High School for the students attending the NORCAN event. It was noted that the Board would like feedback regarding the length of the time students were away from classes. Superintendent D. Nicholls to follow up in May.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Drover to approve Westwood Community High School Student travel to Norway/Iceland, revised dates of April 18 - 29, 2018 at 7:57 p.m. M/C</p>
22367	Inclement Weather	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls shared that the Administrative Procedure for Inclement weather is being reviewed and updates will be shared during the next meeting. Trustee Adams requested the topic be discussed at an upcoming Networks meeting.</p> <p>Superintendent D. Nicholls will share feedback from the Networks Meeting at the January Board meeting.</p>
22368	Class Size Summary	Superintendent D. Nicholls shared information on class sizes with the Trustees.

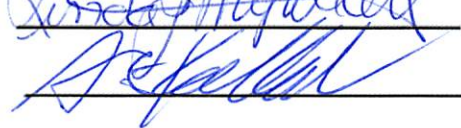
22369	Correspondence	<p>16.1 2017 Summer Fort McMurray Rebuild - Build Back Better and Health Fund Support</p> <p>16.2 Lions of Alberta Funding for ChromeBooks / Robots Board Chair L. Mywaart and Trustees reviewed the correspondence from CAREERS and the Lions of Alberta and thanked the organization for their generous funding support.</p> <p>16.3 APPLE Schools Foundation Board Chair L. Mywaart and Trustees viewed this correspondence from APPLE Schools Foundation and noted the great work that our schools have done with the organization. It was noted that FMPSD is a leader in the province with the APPLE Schools initiative.</p> <p>16.4 Ever Active Schools Board Chair L. Mywaart and Trustees reviewed the invitation from Ever Active Schools to attend the Pan Canadian School Health Summit.</p>
22370	Business Arising from Presentations & Delegations at Previous Meetings	There was no business arising at this time.
22371	Other Business	There was no other business arising at this time.
22372	Requests for Information	There were no requests for information at this time.
22373	Future Agenda Items	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Trustee travel to conferences, Spring General Meetings, Fall General Meetings</li> <li>2. Review Administrative Procedure regarding medical cannabis use in schools</li> </ol>
22374	Adjourn	There being no further business, motion by Trustee Lambert that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 8:22 p.m. M/C

Board Chair:



Date: January 24, 2018

Secretary-Treasurer:



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