



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for November 29, 2017
 held at 231 Hardin Street, Fort McMurray, AB T9H 2G2
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Location:	Board Room - 231 Hardin Street
Date:	Wednesday, November 29, 2017
In Attendance:	Linda Mywaart, Board Chair Angela Adams, Vice Chair Stephen Drover, Trustee Tim O'Hara, 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 Shannon Noble, Assistant Superintendent - Inclusive Education Katie Elser, Recording Secretary
Absent	There were no members absent.
Gallery Attendance:	45

	Item	Discussion
22305	Call to Order	Board Chair L. Mywaart called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.
22306	Motion to move In Camera	Motion by Trustee Lambert to proceed to In Camera at 2:06 p.m. M/C
22307	Motion to move Out of In Camera	Motion by Trustee Drover to conclude In Camera at 2:58 p.m. M/C
22308	Recess	Motion by Trustee Drover to recess at 2:58 p.m. M/C
22309	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 3:04 p.m.
22310	Approval of Agenda	Additions to Agenda: #23: Review date of the scheduled April Committee of the Whole Meeting #24: December 4 Student Advisory Team Motion by Trustee Drover to approve the Agenda as amended at 3:05 p.m. M/C Board Chair L. Mywaart noted the permission was granted to a representative from Mix 103.7 to record the discussion item 6.1 Fort McMurray Composite High School Name Change.
22311	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.
22312	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	Motion by Trustee O'Hara that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2017 at 3:06 p.m. M/C

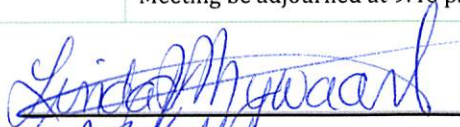
		<p>Motion by Trustee Lambert that the Board of Trustees approve the Board Organizational Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2017 with amendments at 3:09 p.m. M/C</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Maher that the Board of Trustees approve the Committee of the Whole Minutes of November 6, 2017 at 3:10 p.m. M/C</p>
22313	Business Arising from Previous Meetings	<p>6.1 Superintendent D. Nicholls shared that a recommendation will not be put forward to change the name of Fort McMurray Composite High School based on community and stakeholder feedback.</p> <p>6.2 Superintendent D. Nicholls reviewed the Administrative Procedure related to Field Trips and Excursions. Board Chair L. Mywaart requested the topic of field trips be added to the next Joint Networks Meeting agenda.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Drover to recess for media inquiries at 3:23 p.m. M/C</p>
22314	Time Specific at 3:30 p.m. FMPSD Financial Statements	<p>Board Chair L. Mywaart called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Trustees Drover, O'Hara and Rizzuto excused themselves due to conflict of interest.</p> <p>9.1 Financial statements as of August 31, 2017 were reviewed for the Board of Trustees. 9.1.1 Motion by Vice Chair Adams to accept the recommendation to approve the Financial Statements as presented at 3:45 p.m. M/C</p> <p>9.2 Auditors reviewed a presentation and report of finances as of August 31, 2017. 9.2.1 Motion by Trustee Lambert to accept the Auditor's Report as presented at 4:04 p.m. M/C</p> <p>9.3 Fall Budget Update was reviewed and discussed. Noted points discussed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enrollment increase for the district over Spring Budget estimates ● Board Funded improvements for new schools and modernization, supplementing the reserves to support transition to a balanced budget in 2018-19 and beyond. ● Class sizes ● Classroom Improvement Fund grant proposals <p>Board Chair L. Mywaart deferred this item to accommodate a time specific item.</p>
22315	Time Specific at 4:30 p.m. Received Combined Annual Education Results Report & Strategic Education Plan	<p>Trustees Drover, O'Hara and Rizzuto returned to the meeting at 4:29 p.m.</p> <p>Director of Education M. R. Mitsopoulos presented the Three Year Combined Strategic Education Plan (SEP) and Annual Education Results Report (AERR). The District results, reporting and strategic planning are important to the annual performance management cycle and accountability. The plan outlines what needs to be done to improve results, including highlighting our school district's priorities, strategies and targets, based on last year's results.</p> <p>The Three Year Combined Strategic Education Plan (SEP) 2017-2020 and Annual Education Results Report (AERR) 2016-2017 was prepared in accordance with the responsibilities under the School Act and the Government Accountability Act. This plan has been developed in collaboration with principals, parents, and senior administration. It will be available on the District website and in print.</p> <p>The Fort McMurray Public School District #2833 is committed to using the results in this report to improve outcomes for students and ensure FMPSD's ECDP – Grade 12 education focuses on literacy and numeracy, and applying knowledge and problem solving skills.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Drover that the Board of Trustees approve the Three Year Combined Strategic Education Plan (SEP) 2017-2020 and Annual Education Results Report (AERR) 2016-2017 for the Fort McMurray Public School District #2833 at 5:28 p.m. M/C</p>
22316	FMPSD Financial Statements	<p>Trustees Drover, O'Hara and Rizzuto excused themselves due to conflict of interest at 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Board Chair L. Mywaart continued the discussion from item 9.3. Information was</p>

	Fall Budget Update <i>AK</i>	<p>requested regarding class size statistics. Deputy Superintendent P. Meagher to provide information via email.</p> <p>9.3.1 Motion by Trustee Lambert to accept the Fall Budget Updated as presented at 5:39 p.m. M/C</p> <p>Trustees Drover, O'Hara and Rizzuto returned to the meeting at 5:40 p.m.</p>
22317	Recess	Motion by Trustee Rizzuto to recess at 5:41 p.m. M/C
22318	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:30p.m.
22319	O Canada	Board Chair L. Mywaart welcomed students, staff, parents and community members and invited everyone to stand for the National Anthem.
22320	Question Period	No questions were submitted for Question Period.
22321	Spotlight on Students	<p>Westwood Community High School - Rock and Pop Band. Students prepared a selection of acoustic guitar songs they have been working on during their Rock and Pop locally developed course. This new stream offers students the opportunity to learn less traditional musical skills and express themselves through their music. Students learn to write their own songs and perform them in their theatre as well as learn about the music industry and the technology to record and produce music and videos.</p> <p>Trustee Drover complimented the students on their musical gifts which was echoed by the Board.</p>
22322	District Showcase	<p>20.1 Prime Minister's Science Fair Student - Dhvani Patel. Dhvani Patel, a grade 12 student at Westwood Community High School spoke about his trip to Ottawa to meet Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. He was one of 30 students selected across Canada to present at the Prime Minister's Science Fair on September 26. The prestigious event was attended by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, and Kirsty Duncan, Federal Minister of Science.</p> <p>20.2 Governor General's Sovereign Medal for Volunteers - Krish Shah Ecole McTavish Junior High student Krish Shah was in the spotlight for his Governor General's Sovereign Medal for Volunteers. He received the prestigious honour from Craig Kielburger, the founder of ME to WE on October 31, 2017 in Calgary at the WE Day "Evening of Inspiration" event. Krish and his Eco YOLO group planted 1650 trees in Saprae Creek last year after the wildfires.</p> <p>20.3 School Paintings - David Ball Local artist David Ball was acknowledged for his paintings done for Dave McNeilly Public School, and Beacon Hill Public School. Both pastel pieces were gifts to the schools.</p> <p>20.4 TAFI Award (Twitter, Apps, Facebook, Instagram) Uzma Jeelani, Vice Principal at both Greely Road and Beacon Hill Public Schools received the TAFI (Twitter, Apps, Facebook, Instagram) Award for promoting all of the great activities going on in our schools and across the District.</p> <p>20.5 Women of Inspiration Award and Event Volunteer of the Year Award Board Chair Linda Mywaart was highlighted for her two recent major community awards. She was named to the Girls Inc. of Northern Alberta's Women of Inspiration series, and named Event Volunteer of the Year by the Wood Buffalo Food Bank Association.</p> <p>20.6 Northern Lights Health Foundation Board of Directors Appointment Communications Coordinator Kiran Malik-Khan was congratulated on her appointment to the Northern Lights Health Foundation Board of Directors.</p> <p>20.7 ASBA School Board Innovation and Excellence Award Ali Syed, Director, FMPSD Tech, and Rob Reid, Coordinator for STEM Programming were in the spotlight as architects of the Tech Trades Academy. The program recently won the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) 2017 School Board Innovation and Excellence Award.</p>

		<p>20.8 Fajar Khan - Minister's Youth Council and Student Voice - Fajar Khan A grade 12 student at Westwood Community High School, Fajar Khan presented on her recent trip to be on the Student Voice panel for Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBA). The event was held at PSA's fall meeting in Edmonton. She also shared her experience on being the only student from Fort McMurray to be selected for Education Minister David Eggen's Youth Council.</p> <p>Vice Chair Adams congratulated all of the students, staff, and community members highlighted and noted the Board's amazement at seeing the talents of our students, staff, and community members.</p>
22323	Recess	Motion by Trustee Lambert to recess at 7:42 p.m. M/C
22324	Reconvene Regular Board Meeting	Board Chair L. Mywaart reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 7:55 p.m.
22325	Public School Boards' Association/Public School Board Council Update	<p>Trustee O'Hara advised there have been no meetings since August. Additionally, Trustee O'Hara advised he will circulate information pertaining to the PSBA by-law review and four year work plan electronically to all Trustees.</p> <p>Trustee O'Hara excused himself from the remainder of the meeting at 8:05 p.m.</p>
22326	Alberta School Boards Association Update	<p>Board Chair L. Mywaart and several Trustees attended the ASBA Fall General Meeting on November 19, 2017. It was noted that the keynote speakers at the event presented information that could be presented at the Networks meetings. The District was awarded the 2017 Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence for our Technology and Trades Academies.</p> <p>Board Chair L. Mywaart was unable to attend the Zone 2/3 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.</p>
22327	Trustee Engagement	Board Chair L. Mywaart provided a summary of community engagements and provincial association meetings that were attended for the period of October 26, 2017 - November 29, 2017.
22328	Reports	<p>Superintendent D. Nicholls updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current activities held throughout the District. Included in the report was an update on the Classroom Improvement Fund grant and proposals being submitted.</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 & Finance Department and reviewed the insurance renewal for the district.</p> <p>Assistant Superintendent S. Noble updated Trustees and Senior Administration on the current scope of the Inclusive Education/Mental Health Department.</p>
22329	Correspondence	There was no correspondence to review.
22330	Business Arising from Presentations & Delegations at Previous Meetings	There was no business arising at this time.
22331	Review date of the scheduled April Committee of the Whole Meetings	<p>Board Chair L. Mywaart requested the dates be revised for the Committee of the Whole Meeting and the Trustee School visits from April 9, 2017 to April 16, 2017. April 9th is the first day back from Spring Break.</p> <p>Motion by Trustee Lambert to change the April 9, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting and Trustee School Visits date to April 16, 2017 at 8:24 p.m. M/C</p>

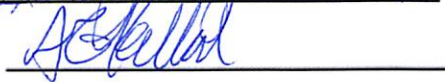
		Board Chair L. Mywaart noted the December 4, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting (listed as "if needed") to meet reporting deadlines on Audited Financial Statements and on Budget is not required this year.
22332	December 4 Student Advisory Team	Motion by Board Chair L. Mywaart to revise the school visit time for Ecole Dickinsfield on December 4, 2017 from 11:00am to an earlier time to accommodate Trustees attend Student Advisory Team as well as other School visits that day at 8:27 p.m. M/C
22333	Other Business	Trustee Lambert requested a copy of the Challenge Cup sporting events schedule. Superintendent Nicholls will send out information electronically.
22334	Requests for Information	There were no requests for information at this time.
22335	Future Agenda Items	January Committee of the Whole Meeting: Agenda Item: Upcoming Conferences and attendance at both spring and fall conferences
22336	Motion for In Camera	Motion by Trustee Drover to return to In Camera at 8:39 p.m. M/C Motion by Trustee Maher to come out of In Camera at 9:45 p.m.
22337	Adjourn	There being no further business, motion by Trustee Drover that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 9:46 p.m. M/C

Board Chair:



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Secretary-Treasurer:



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