



Minutes of the Special Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Library of Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School, 2012 09 17 at 1018 hrs.

Attendees:

Trustee	- Jeff Thompson
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2012 - 2013 Board Organization

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20282 **Review Board Work Plan** The Board of Trustees reviewed the annual work plan identified in the Trustee Handbook. Several changes were noted and copy of the revised annual work plan is attached hereto as Appendix A.

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20287	Review Board Handbook	Deferred.
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20288	Conferences	Deferred.
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20295	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1134 hrs.
20296	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None.
20297	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1135 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20298	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1135 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20299	Investigations	Superintendent, Dennis Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the status of current investigations within the District.
20300	Personnel	Superintendent, Dennis Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the status of current personnel issues within the District. Discussion followed.
20301	Tripartite Discussions	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on recent communications received from the Alberta School Boards Association regarding the current status of Tripartite discussions. Trustees discussed the issues at hand and the implications as they would pertain to the Fort McMurray Public School District.
20302	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1208 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-camera meeting and proceed to the in-conference meeting.

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20303	In-Conference Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1210 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-conference meeting.
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20304	Additions to the Agenda	4.7 Student Advisory Dates 4.8 Student Speak Out Dates
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20305	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1213 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20306	In-Conference Meeting	Trustee Drover served motion at 1213 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-conference meeting.
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20307	Premier's Award of School Board Excellence & Innovation	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the Premier's Award of School Board Excellence & Innovation application prepared by Associate Superintendent of Education & Administration, Dr. Brenda Sautner. Trustee Mywaart noted some amendments; trustees discussed the application and agreed it should be submitted. Trustee Mywaart expressed her opinion that the application was well written and represented the work being done in the District and she was excited to move this work forward and share it with colleagues. Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1218 hrs. M/C That the application be submitted as amended.
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20308	Trustee Engagement	Trustee Mywaart agreed to report on Trustee Engagement during the Regular Board Meeting.
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20309	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2012 06 18	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1222 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 06 18 Regular Board Meeting be approved.
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20310	Minutes of the Special Meeting of 2012 09 04	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1222 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 09 04 Special Board Meeting be approved.
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20311	Business Arising from Minutes	Trustee Mywaart inquired about Item 20227 from the Minutes of the June 18 th Regular Board Meeting and inquired if steps had been taken regarding the District Policy on Social Media and value of District PLC time. Superintendent Parsons updated trustees that these two items are currently under review and will be brought back before the Board at a later date.
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20312 Superintendent's Operational Report Superintendent Parsons indicated that his report had been provided for trustees and senior administration to review. He asked if there were any questions.

Trustee Mywaart requested an update on the portables utilized by the Fort McMurray Islamic School, and the health issues at Composite High School. Superintendent Parsons updated trustees on the steps Administrative staff have taken to date with regard to both situations. Trustee Mywaart also mentioned a heating issue at the Fort McMurray Christian School. Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, indicated he will follow up on the concern and report back to the Board at a future meeting.

Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, updated Trustees and senior administration on staffing. Discussion followed and Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, suggested the District issue a press release on District staffing. Trustees agreed that this would be the best approach to inform stakeholders.

20313 Review of Public Agenda Trustees and senior administration reviewed Public Agenda items in preparation for the Regular Board Meeting commencing at 1:00 p.m.

20314 Student Advisory Dates Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, put forward the date of November 5, 2012, for the first meeting of the Student Advisory Committee. Trustees confirmed this date and indicated they would have lunch with the students, as well as set aside part of the October 1st Committee of the Whole meeting to prepare a set of questions for the students to address.

20315 Student Speak Out Forum Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, put forward the date of Monday, May 6, 2013, for the annual Student Speak Out Forum. Trustees indicated they would prefer February 4, 2013.

20316 Out of In-Conference Trustee Mywaart served motion 1241 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-conference meeting and recess until 1300 hrs.

20317 Regrets: Jeff Thompson at 1300 hrs.

20318 Convene Regular Meeting Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, called the meeting to order
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1316 hrs.

Other attendees: 6
Media: 2

20319 O Canada Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.

20320 Question Period There were no questions.



20321 Additions to Agenda None

20322 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 1318 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.

20323 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School

Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, introduced Ecole McTavish Principal, Scott Barr. Two students accompanied Mr. Barr and after introducing themselves, went on to explain what the presentation was about: a) volunteering; and b) McTavish time.

McTavish time was explained, and some of the topics students suggested for discussion included: nuclear energy/war, holocaust, sexism and sports, homosexuality, racism, homelessness, animal cruelty, cosmetic testing, video games, carbon footprint, human rights, social media, etc.

Mr. Barr indicated students are asked to do 15 hours of community service, mentioning that the total number of community service hours anticipated from Ecole McTavish students would total 10,000.

20324 Chair, Jeff Thompson, joined at 1327 hrs.

20325 Continuation of Spotlight on Education

Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School

Mr. Barr described Ecole McTavish's project-based learning program and circulated copy of a letter that is sent to parents.

Presentations
Decade Marker – Ecole McTavish

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Principal Scott Barr to present the Decade Marker. Mr. Barr provided some history and comparisons between the first school and the new Ecole McTavish and asked the students in attendance to unveil the decade marker.

Trustees thanked the staff and students of Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School for their enlightening and informative Spotlight on Education and their decade marker presentation.

20326 Superintendent of Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report which had been previously provided to trustees and senior administration, including mention of the huge volunteer commitment that went into the Eagle Ridge Partnership sod-turning ceremony and the District's 100th Anniversary celebrations.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on receipt of the Student Speak Out Report/Results and brought forward a motion to acknowledge receipt of the report.

20327 Acknowledge Receipt of Student Speak Out Report/Results Trustees Mywaart and Cooper felt the Student Speak Out Report/Results was very valuable and would be useful as the District moves forward.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1346 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees acknowledge receipt of the Student Speak Out Report 2011 – 2012 provided by the Education Department.

20328 Superintendent of Schools Report (continued) Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the development and launch on August 31st of a new District Website. He also spoke about the Strategic Plan on-One-Page and called upon Dr. Sautner to briefly explain the newly developed District Framework.

Trustees requested a copy of the Strategic Plan-on-a-Page and Dr. Sautner indicated she would provide them with an electronic copy.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the work of the Policy Advisory Committee during the 2011 – 2012 school year and indicated two policies will be placed on the District website for first reading in the very near future.

20329 Approval – Board Organization – 2012 – 2013 School Year Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on completion of this annual process. He reviewed the current positions and roles.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1404 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees acknowledge the appointments to committees and election to positions for the 2012-2013 school year.

20330 Approval – 2012 – 2013 Schedule for Trustee School Visits Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on annual process of scheduling trustee visits to District Schools. Trustee Mywaart indicated she felt this was an invaluable process. Chair, Jeff Thompson, also felt it gave trustees direct contact at ground level.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1409 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees review and approve the proposed 2012 – 2013 schedule for trustee school visits.

20331 Approval – Borrowing Resolution for Current Expenditures Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees and senior administration on the background for this request.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1412 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve a borrowing resolution in the amount of \$2,000,000.



20332 Approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Course – Reading 15 – 25 (5)

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, called upon Dr. Brenda Sautner to inform trustees and senior administration on the request for Board approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Course – Reading 15 -25.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1414 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the locally developed/acquired course, Reading 15 – 25 (5).

20333 Reaffirmation – Policy DN – School Properties Disposal Procedure

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the purpose of this policy and its coverage. Mr. Kallal noted an amendment that was overlooked.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1417 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reaffirm the attached policy, as amended.

20334 Approval of Amended Policy EBBC – Fire Safety Precautions

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed amendments to Policy EBBC. Mr. Kallal also noted one error that will be corrected.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1422 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the attached policy with the recommended change.

20335 Approval – First Reading of Policy FLA – Surplus Land and Buildings

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the background and purpose of this policy. Trustee Mywaart inquired about policy coverage and who it pertained to and Mr. Kallal responded this Policy pertained to only our District. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated this policy will also go before the Policy Advisory Committee.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1425 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the first reading of the attached Policy FLA – Surplus Land and Buildings.

20336 Recess

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1428 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees recess for 15 minutes.

20337 Reconvene

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1443 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Board meeting.



20338 Trustee Items Trustee Engagement - Trustee Mywaart reported on trustee engagement since the June 18, 2012, Board Meeting:

- June 19 Meeting with Education Minister Jeff Johnson
- June 22 Frank Spragins Graduation
- June 22 ASBA Zone 2/3
- June 26 Aspiring Leaders Year-end get together
- June 28 COMP Graduation/WW Graduation
- July 3 Meeting MLAs Don Scott and Mike Allen
- July 10 MLA Dinner - Sawridge
(Health Partners International—Brian Jean)
- Aug 14 100th Anniversary Committee Meeting
- Aug 23 Governance Workshop with Maurice Fritz in Edmonton
- Aug 23-25 PSBC in Edmonton
- Aug 28 District Welcome Back Assembly
- Aug 31 Sod Turning for Walter and Gladys Hill Elementary School
- Aug 31-Sept 2 100th Anniversary Celebration Weekend
- Sept 7 United Way Campaign Launch

20339 Correspondence

1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from Minister Jeff Johnson dated July 20th thanking the District for participating in the recent round of meetings and reaffirming the partnership he has with School Boards as the Education Minister.
2. Chair, Jeff Thompson, also updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from the Alberta Teachers' Association regarding the upcoming World Teacher's Day scheduled for October 5, 2012.

20340 Business Arising None

20341 Other Business

1. Review of New Meeting Format
Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the reformatting of board meetings to make them effective and also engaging for the public. He asked trustees if they had any comments or suggestions regarding the new meeting structure.

Trustee Mywaart questioned the scheduling of these meetings, i.e. during the day versus in the evening, recognizing the importance of our Spotlight on Education segments.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, suggested surveying the District's stakeholders to obtain their feedback on their preference for Board meeting times.

Trustees discussed at length the pros and cons for day-time meetings versus evening meetings. It was agreed Superintendent Parsons will prepare a survey to be posted on the District's new website and the results of the survey will be reviewed at the October 22, 2012, Board meeting.

20342 Request for Information None

20343 Future Agenda Items To be determined.



20344 **Out of Regular Meeting** Trustee Cooper served motion 1509 hrs.
 And Recess M/C
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20299	Investigations	Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the status of current investigations within the District.
20300	Personnel	Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the status of current personnel issues within the District. Discussion followed.
20301	Tripartite Discussions	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on recent communications received from the Alberta School Boards Association regarding the current status of Tripartite discussions. Trustees discussed the issues at hand and the implications as they would pertain to the Fort McMurray Public School District.
20302	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1208 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-camera meeting and proceed to the in-conference meeting.

20303	In-Conference Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1210 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-conference meeting.
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20304	Additions to the Agenda	4.7 Student Advisory Dates 4.8 Student Speak Out Dates
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20305	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1213 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20306	In-Conference Meeting	Trustee Drover served motion at 1213 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-conference meeting.
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20307	Premier's Award of School Board Excellence & Innovation	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the Premier's Award of School Board Excellence & Innovation application prepared by Associate Superintendent of Education & Administration, Dr. Brenda Sautner. Trustee Mywaart noted some amendments; trustees discussed the application and agreed it should be submitted. Trustee Mywaart expressed her opinion that the application was well written and represented the work being done in the District and she was excited to move this work forward and share it with colleagues. Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1218 hrs. M/C That the application be submitted as amended.
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20308	Trustee Engagement	Trustee Mywaart agreed to report on Trustee Engagement during the Regular Board Meeting.
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20309	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 2012 06 18	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1222 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 06 18 Regular Board Meeting be approved.
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20310	Minutes of the Special Meeting of 2012 09 04	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1222 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 09 04 Special Board Meeting be approved.
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20311	Business Arising from Minutes	Trustee Mywaart inquired about Item 20227 from the Minutes of the June 18 th Regular Board Meeting and inquired if steps had been taken regarding the District Policy on Social Media and value of District PLC time. Superintendent Parsons updated trustees that these two items are currently under review and will be brought back before the Board at a later date.
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- 20312 Superintendent's Operational Report Superintendent Parsons indicated that his report had been provided for trustees and senior administration to review. He asked if there were any questions.
- Trustee Mywaart requested an update on the portables utilized by the Fort McMurray Islamic School, and the health issues at Composite High School. Superintendent Parsons updated trustees on the steps Administrative staff have taken to date with regard to both situations. Trustee Mywaart also mentioned a heating issue at the Fort McMurray Christian School. Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, indicated he will follow up on the concern and report back to the Board at a future meeting.
- Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, updated Trustees and senior administration on staffing. Discussion followed and Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, suggested the District issue a press release on District staffing. Trustees agreed that this would be the best approach to inform stakeholders.
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- 20313 Review of Public Agenda Trustees and senior administration reviewed Public Agenda items in preparation for the Regular Board Meeting commencing at 1:00 p.m.
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- 20314 Student Advisory Dates Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, put forward the date of November 5, 2012, for the first meeting of the Student Advisory Committee. Trustees confirmed this date and indicated they would have lunch with the students, as well as set aside part of the October 1st Committee of the Whole meeting to prepare a set of questions for the students to address.
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- 20315 Student Speak Out Forum Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, put forward the date of Monday, May 6, 2013, for the annual Student Speak Out Forum. Trustees indicated they would prefer February 4, 2013.
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- 20316 Out of In-Conference Trustee Mywaart served motion 1241 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-conference meeting and recess until 1300 hrs.
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- 20317 Regrets: Jeff Thompson at 1300 hrs.
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- 20318 Convene Regular Meeting Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, called the meeting to order
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1316 hrs.
- Other attendees: 6
Media: 2
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- 20319 O Canada Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
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- 20320 Question Period There were no questions.
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20321 Additions to Agenda None

20322 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 1318 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.

20323 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School

Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, introduced Ecole McTavish Principal, Scott Barr. Two students accompanied Mr. Barr and after introducing themselves, went on to explain what the presentation was about: a) volunteering; and b) McTavish time.

McTavish time was explained, and some of the topics students suggested for discussion included: nuclear energy/war, holocaust, sexism and sports, homosexuality, racism, homelessness, animal cruelty, cosmetic testing, video games, carbon footprint, human rights, social media, etc.

Mr. Barr indicated students are asked to do 15 hours of community service, mentioning that the total number of community service hours anticipated from Ecole McTavish students would total 10,000.

20324 Chair, Jeff Thompson, joined at 1327 hrs.

20325 Continuation of Spotlight on Education

Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School

Mr. Barr described Ecole McTavish's project-based learning program and circulated copy of a letter that is sent to parents.

Presentations
Decade Marker – Ecole McTavish

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Principal Scott Barr to present the Decade Marker. Mr. Barr provided some history and comparisons between the first school and the new Ecole McTavish and asked the students in attendance to unveil the decade marker.

Trustees thanked the staff and students of Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School for their enlightening and informative Spotlight on Education and their decade marker presentation.

20326 Superintendent of Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report which had been previously provided to trustees and senior administration, including mention of the huge volunteer commitment that went into the Eagle Ridge Partnership sod-turning ceremony and the District's 100th Anniversary celebrations.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on receipt of the Student Speak Out Report/Results and brought forward a motion to acknowledge receipt of the report.



20327 Acknowledge Receipt of Student Speak Out Report/Results Trustees Mywaart and Cooper felt the Student Speak Out Report/Results was very valuable and would be useful as the District moves forward.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1346 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees acknowledge receipt of the Student Speak Out Report 2011 – 2012 provided by the Education Department.

20328 Superintendent of Schools Report (continued) Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the development and launch on August 31st of a new District Website. He also spoke about the Strategic Plan on-One-Page and called upon Dr. Sautner to briefly explain the newly developed District Framework.

Trustees requested a copy of the Strategic Plan-on-a-Page and Dr. Sautner indicated she would provide them with an electronic copy.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the work of the Policy Advisory Committee during the 2011 – 2012 school year and indicated two policies will be placed on the District website for first reading in the very near future.

20329 Approval – Board Organization – 2012 – 2013 School Year Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on completion of this annual process. He reviewed the current positions and roles.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1404 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees acknowledge the appointments to committees and election to positions for the 2012-2013 school year.

20330 Approval – 2012 – 2013 Schedule for Trustee School Visits Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on annual process of scheduling trustee visits to District Schools. Trustee Mywaart indicated she felt this was an invaluable process. Chair, Jeff Thompson, also felt it gave trustees direct contact at ground level.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1409 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees review and approve the proposed 2012 – 2013 schedule for trustee school visits.

20331 Approval – Borrowing Resolution for Current Expenditures Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees and senior administration on the background for this request.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1412 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve a borrowing resolution in the amount of \$2,000,000.



20332 Approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Course – Reading 15 – 25 (5)

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, called upon Dr. Brenda Sautner to inform trustees and senior administration on the request for Board approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Course – Reading 15 -25.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1414 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the locally developed/acquired course, Reading 15 – 25 (5).

20333 Reaffirmation – Policy DN – School Properties Disposal Procedure

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the purpose of this policy and its coverage. Mr. Kallal noted an amendment that was overlooked.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1417 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reaffirm the attached policy, as amended.

20334 Approval of Amended Policy EBBC – Fire Safety Precautions

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed amendments to Policy EBBC. Mr. Kallal also noted one error that will be corrected.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1422 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the attached policy with the recommended change.

20335 Approval – First Reading of Policy FLA – Surplus Land and Buildings

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the background and purpose of this policy. Trustee Mywaart inquired about policy coverage and who it pertained to and Mr. Kallal responded this Policy pertained to only our District. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated this policy will also go before the Policy Advisory Committee.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1425 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the first reading of the attached Policy FLA – Surplus Land and Buildings.

20336 Recess

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1428 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees recess for 15 minutes.

20337 Reconvene

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1443 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Board meeting.



20338 Trustee Items Trustee Engagement - Trustee Mywaart reported on trustee engagement since the June 18, 2012, Board Meeting:

June 19 Meeting with Education Minister Jeff Johnson
June 22 Frank Spragins Graduation
June 22 ASBA Zone 2/3
June 26 Aspiring Leaders Year-end get together
June 28 COMP Graduation/WW Graduation
July 3 Meeting MLAs Don Scott and Mike Allen
July 10 MLA Dinner - Sawridge
(Health Partners International—Brian Jean)
Aug 14 100th Anniversary Committee Meeting
Aug 23 Governance Workshop with Maurice Fritz in Edmonton
Aug 23-25 PSBC in Edmonton
Aug 28 District Welcome Back Assembly
Aug 31 Sod Turning for Walter and Gladys Hill Elementary School
Aug 31-Sept 2 100th Anniversary Celebration Weekend
Sept 7 United Way Campaign Launch

20339 Correspondence

1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from Minister Jeff Johnson dated July 20th thanking the District for participating in the recent round of meetings and reaffirming the partnership he has with School Boards as the Education Minister.
2. Chair, Jeff Thompson, also updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from the Alberta Teachers' Association regarding the upcoming World Teacher's Day scheduled for October 5, 2012.

20340 Business Arising None

20341 Other Business

1. Review of New Meeting Format
Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the reformatting of board meetings to make them effective and also engaging for the public. He asked trustees if they had any comments or suggestions regarding the new meeting structure.

Trustee Mywaart questioned the scheduling of these meetings, i.e. during the day versus in the evening, recognizing the importance of our Spotlight on Education segments.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, suggested surveying the District's stakeholders to obtain their feedback on their preference for Board meeting times.

Trustees discussed at length the pros and cons for day-time meetings versus evening meetings. It was agreed Superintendent Parsons will prepare a survey to be posted on the District's new website and the results of the survey will be reviewed at the October 22, 2012, Board meeting.

20342 Request for Information None

20343 Future Agenda Items To be determined.



20344 **Out of Regular Meeting** Trustee Cooper served motion 1509 hrs.
 And Recess M/C
 That the Board of Trustees move out of the Regular Meeting and recess

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BOARD CHAIR

SECRETARY-TREASURER

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Board Room of the Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2012 09 04 at 0800 hrs.

Attendees:

Chair	- Jeff Thompson
Vice Chair	- Glenn Cooper
Trustee	- Linda Mywaart
Trustee	- Steven Drover
Trustee	- Angela Adams
Superintendent of Schools	- Dennis Parsons
Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance	- Allan Kallal
Associate Superintendent - Education & Admin	- Brenda Sautner
Associate Superintendent - Human Resources & Admin	- Phil Meagher
Recording Secretary	- Sharon Dunn

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| 20272 | Call to Order | Associate Superintendent Business & Finance, A. Kallal, called the meeting to order at 0817 hours. |
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| 20273 | Oath of Office | Associate Superintendent, Business & Finance, A. Kallal presided over the Oath of Office for the newly elected trustee. |
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| 20274 | Conflict of Interest Declaration | Associate Superintendent Business & Finance, A. Kallal, reviewed details of the Conflict of Interest Declaration form with new trustee, Stephen Drover. This form will be completed by Mr. Drover and submitted to Mr. Kallal on September 17, 2012. |
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| 20275 | Recess | There being no further business, Board Chair Jeff Thompson recessed the meeting at 0820 hrs. |
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BOARD CHAIR


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Minutes of the In-Camera and In-Conference Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Boardroom, 2012 10 22; and Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Conference Room at Ecole Dickinsfield Public School, 2012 10 22

Attendees:
Chair - J. Thompson
Vice Chair - G. Cooper
Trustee - L. Mywaart
Trustee - S. Drover
Trustee - A. Adams
Superintendent of Schools - D. Parsons
Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal
- Business & Finance
Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
- Human Resources & Admin.
Recording Secretary - S. Dunn

Regrets: -B. Sautner

20353	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 0846 hrs.
20354	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	5.7 Enrollment
20355	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 0847 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20356	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 0847 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20357	Investigations	Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the status of current investigations within the District.
20358	Personnel	Senior Executive members were excused from the In-Camera meeting at 0850 hrs.
20359		1025 hrs. – Senior Executive members were invited to rejoin the In-Camera meeting.
20360	Personnel (continued)	Trustee Adams, Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, and Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on several personnel issues.
20361	Tripartite Discussions	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on recent communications received from the Alberta School Boards Association regarding the current status of Tripartite discussions.

20362	Board Meetings/Survey Results	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the results from the "We'd Love to Hear from You" survey posted on the District website regarding the scheduling of Board meetings and attendance.
		Trustees reviewed the results and, in particular, the meeting times. Trustees agreed to review this matter further at the upcoming Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting with a view to implementing a new schedule beginning in 2013. In preparation for the November 5 th COW meeting, Trustee Adams will request feedback from the Networks Committee, and Superintendent Parsons will prepare some options for the Board to review which maintain student participation. Superintendent Parsons will also inform trustees regarding Edmonton Public's meeting schedule.
		Trustees requested the survey results be posted on our Website.
20363	ASBALE	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on an upcoming ASBALE meeting scheduled for October 28, 2012, in Edmonton from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Chair Thompson and Trustee Cooper indicated they would be available to attend. Trustee Adams indicated she would also attend, schedule permitting.
20364	Debrief	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Minister of Education – Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the meeting he, Superintendent Parsons and Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, attended in Calgary with the Minister of Education. Chair Thompson indicated the meeting was very brief. Trustees agreed that it would be beneficial from a District standpoint to schedule a subsequent meeting with the Minister and it was decided that a formal invitation would be extended to Minister Johnson inviting him to visit Fort McMurray Public. 2. Budget 2013 Consultation – Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on Minister Horner's public consultation meeting. Trustees Mywaart, and Cooper attended, along with Superintendent Parsons. Trustee Mywaart provided her feedback. 3. MLA Reception – Trustee Mywaart updated trustees and senior administration on her attendance at the MLA Reception held in Edmonton on October 17, 2012.
20365	Enrollment	Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration that the District's enrollment figures have now been compiled, and requested this topic be deferred to the November Board meeting. Trustees agreed.
		Superintendent Parsons also requested this topic be added to the November 5 th COW meeting agenda and trustees concurred.
20366	Shop Talk	Deferred.
20367	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Drover served motion at 1235 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-camera meeting and recess

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- 20368 Convene Regular Meeting Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1300 hrs.
- Other attendees: 4
Media: 2
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- 20369 O Canada Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
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- 20370 Question Period There were no questions.
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- 20371 Additions to Agenda None
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- 20372 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 1328 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.
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- 20373 Delegations and Presentations
- Spotlight on Education & Decade Marker Presentation
- Ecole Dickinsfield Public School Ms. Kathleen Cochrane and several students entertained trustees and senior administration with a poem they had written regarding important decades in the history of Fort McMurray Public.
- Trustees thanked Ms. Cochrane and students of Ecole Dickinsfield Public School for their unique Spotlight on Education/decade marker presentation.
- Cheque Presentation – K-Rock
- Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, introduced Ross Jacobs, General Manager of K-Rock. Mr. Jacobs introduced two staff members who accompanied him, and presented a cheque in the amount of \$18,750.00 to Chair, Jeff Thompson, in support of the District’s music programs. Mr. Jacobs also mentioned an internship program he is initiating in partnership with Fort McMurray Public.
- Chair, Jeff Thompson, expressed his sincere appreciation to Mr. Jacobs and K-Rock for their continued District support in “Doing What’s Best for Kids”.
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20374 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report, including updating trustees and senior administration on the upcoming FMPSD Partnership Priorities and Possibilities: Achieving Greater Collective Impact Meeting scheduled on October 30th.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Exam results and called upon Ms. Erin Keca, District Math & Science Coordinator, to review the results in greater depth.

Superintendent Parsons continued with his report, including:

- a) An explanation of the December 3rd School Growth Plan Presentation process that will be used this year.
- b) An explanation of the District's system-wide approach to bullying. Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked Superintendent Parsons to investigate whether or not other jurisdictions have a hotline or anonymous website where bullying can be reported and to brief trustees at an upcoming Board meeting. Ms. Ogonoski, the District's Communications Coordinator, indicated a link could be added to the District website for anonymous reporting of bullying but suggested appropriate staff would need to be designated responsibility for responding to these reports.
- c) An update on the District's Yellow bus provider and contract talks between their drivers and Sparksman. Trustees discussed the implications of a potential strike and agreed parents should be notified of this situation. Superintendent Parsons will prepare a letter that will be sent home with students informing parents of the bussing situation and potential for disruption of service.
- d) An update on an influenza pilot project at Ecole McTavish Junior High School utilizing a live nasal mist.
- e) An update on his attendance at Understanding Poverty with Ruby Payne, held in Fort McMurray on October 9, 2012.
- f) An update on his attendance at a meeting with Minister Johnson on October 10th in Calgary.
- g) An update on Summer Games 2015 and a request for volunteers.

20375 Approval-in-Principle –
Westwood High School
Students Travel to Italy
– Spring Break 2013

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed Westwood students travel to Italy during Spring Break 2013.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1500 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Westwood Community High School students travel to Italy during March 2013.

20376 Trustee Items Trustee Engagement - Trustee Mywaart reported on trustee engagement since the September 17, 2012, Board Meeting:

September 28 th	ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting
October 9 th	Understanding Poverty (morning session) – with Dr. Ruby Payne, Quality Inn, Fort McMurray
October 10 th	Meeting with Minister Johnson, Calgary
October 12 th	Consultation Session – Minister of Finance Doug Horner at Stonebridge Hotel, Fort McMurray
October 12 th	MLA's Meet and Greet – Don Scott and Mike Allen at Radisson Hotel, Fort McMurray
October 16 – 18 th	21 st Century Learning Leadership Forum, Banff
October 17 th	PSBA reception with MLA's – Sutton Place, Edmonton
October 18 – 20 th	PSBA: Trustee University & Fall General Meeting – Sutton Place, Edmonton Sports events at schools Meeting in Fort McMurray with MP Ryan Cleary (NDP) and MLA Deron Bilous (NDP)

20377 Correspondence 1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the receipt of a Certificate of Appreciation award from the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo in recognition of the District's support during Thickwood's apartment fire.

20378 Business Arising None

20379 Other Business None

20380 Request for Information None

20381 Future Agenda Items Enrollment will be placed on the November meeting agenda.

20382 Out of Regular Meeting And Recess Trustee Cooper served motion 1520 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees move out of the Regular Meeting and recess

20383 In-Camera Meeting Trustee Cooper served motion at 1630 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-camera meeting.

20384 Regrets: Trustee Stephen Drover at 1700 hrs.



20385	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1810 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-camera meeting.
20386	In-Conference Meeting	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1810 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees proceed to the in-conference meeting.
20387	Additions to the Agenda	None
20388	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1811 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20389	Agenda – Annual Board Retreat	Deferred to November 26 th Board meeting for discussion.
20390	Minutes of the Special Organization Meeting 2012 09 17	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1816 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 09 17 Special Organization Meeting be approved.
20391	Minutes of the In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2012 09 17	Trustee Adams served motion at 1817 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 09 17 In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.
20392	Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting 2012 10 01	Trustee Adams served motion at 1818 hrs. M/C That the minutes of 2012 10 01 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
20393	Business Arising from Minutes	A correction to the Trustees Work Plan was noted: School Growth Plan Presentations will be moved to the month of December.
20394	Out of In-Conference and Adjourn	Trustee Mywaart served motion 1820 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-conference meeting and adjourn.


BOARD CHAIR


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Minutes of the In-Camera and In-Conference Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Music room, 2012 11 26; and Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Gymnasium and Music Room at Dr. Clark Public School, 2012 11 26.

- Attendees:
- Chair - J. Thompson
 - Vice Chair - G. Cooper
 - Trustee - L. Mywaart
 - Trustee - S. Drover
 - Trustee - A. Adams joined at 1245 hrs.
 - Superintendent of Schools - D. Parsons
 - Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal
 - Business & Finance
 - Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
 - Human Resources & Admin.
 - Recording Secretary - S. Dunn
- Regrets: -B. Sautner

20395	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 0908 hrs.
20396	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
20397	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 0910 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20398	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Cooper served motion at 0910 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20399	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1102 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the in-camera meeting and proceed to In-Conference Agenda
20400	Additions to Agenda	None
20401	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1115 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20402	Agenda- Annual Board Retreat	Superintendent Parsons updated Trustees and senior administration on the proposed Agenda for the annual Board Retreat submitted by facilitator, Mr. John Dinner. Trustees approved the Agenda as presented.

20403 Trustee Engagement Trustee Stephen Drover agreed to present Trustee Engagement during the regular meeting.

20404 Minutes – In-Conference Regular Meeting 2012 10 22 Trustee Mywaart noted an amendment to Item number 20374, g). Summer Games 2013 should be amended to read: 2015.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1129 hrs.
M/C
That the Minutes of 2012 10 22 In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended.

20405 Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2012 11 05 Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1130 hrs.
M/C
That the Minutes of 2012 11 05 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.

20406 Business Arising from the Minutes Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, brought forward an Amendment to the April 11, 2011 Minutes noted by the Auditors in their review of District finances. The motion should read: That the Board of Trustees approve no change to material and resources for Policy IN Student Fees and approve the policy wording as amended.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1132 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees amend the Minutes of the April 11, 2011 Board meeting, Item No. 19647, to read: That the Board of Trustees approve no change to material and resources for Policy IN Student Fees and approve the policy wording as amended.

Superintendent Parsons brought forward three outstanding items:
1. Enrollment.
2. Board Meetings and survey results.
3. Implementation of a District Bullying Hotline – Superintendent Parsons indicated this has not been set up District-wide due to cost and logistics and suggested a contact number for a bullying hotline be added to our Website. Trustees agreed.

20407 Superintendent's Report (Operational) Superintendent Parsons provided his monthly report and asked if Trustees had any questions. There were none. Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees on the current status of filling the vacant Communications Coordinator position.

20408 Student Advisory Report Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated a report has been received from the Student Advisory team for Trustees review. Trustees requested a follow up question be put before the students to address: what can the Board do to help equalize the inequalities between the "have's" and the "have not's"?

20409 Board Meetings/Survey Results Deferred to the December Board meeting.

20410 Enrollment Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1130 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees table the discussion of enrollment to the December Board meeting or the In-Conference session of the December 3rd Committee of the Whole Meeting scheduled to follow the school growth plan presentations.

20411 MLA Reception (Debrief) Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the recent MLA reception he attended. He indicated there was no representation from Fort McMurray.

20412 Debrief – ASBA Fall General Trustee Mywaart updated trustees and senior administration on information she received through the Zone 2/3 meeting.

Superintendent Dennis Parsons updated trustees on a speech made by Jacquie Hansen, President, ASBA, during the morning session of the ASBA Fall General and a copy will be obtained to share with Trustees. He also mentioned an article in the November 24th or 25th Calgary Herald regarding the ASBA's position on student assessment and copy of this article will also be provided to Trustees. Trustees indicated they would like to discuss these documents at an upcoming Board meeting.

20413 Review of Public Agenda Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated he would be adding one agenda item to the Regular Meeting agenda – a letter he received from the Superintendent of Schools.

20414 Recess The Board recessed for 15 minutes

20415 Trustee Adams joined at 1245 hrs.

20416 Letter from Superintendent Dennis Parsons Chair, Jeff Thompson, noted he had forwarded Superintendent Parsons' letter electronically to Trustees. Superintendent Parsons also distributed hard copies to all trustees.

20417 Recess and move to Gymnasium in Preparation for the Regular Board Meeting The Board recessed and relocated the meeting to Dr. Clark's Gymnasium in preparation for commencement of the Regular Board meeting.

20418 1310 hrs. – Principal of Dr. Clark School, Mr. Jeff Porter, welcomed students and guests and introduced Board Chair, Mr. Jeff Thompson.

20419 Convene Regular Meeting Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed students and introduced trustees. He then called upon Superintendent Parsons to introduce senior administrative staff.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order

M/C

That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1314 hrs.

Other attendees: 35

Media: 1

20420 O Canada Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.



20421 Question Period There were no questions.

20422 Additions to Agenda Letter from Superintendent Parsons

20423 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 1317 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.

20424 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education & Decade Marker Presentation

Dr. Clark Public School

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Dr. Clark Vice Principal, Mr. Brian Harper. Mr. Harper, in turn, introduced the Dr. Clark Drummers group who performed the traditional Honour Song, followed by the school choir performance.

Mr. Harper, with the assistance of two students, unveiled the decade marker in celebration of the District's 100th anniversary and called upon the Drummers to perform the Thank You Song.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, and trustees thanked the students for their delightful presentations.

Official 100th Anniversary Book Signing Ceremony – with John Gilpin

Mr. Thompson introduced Mr. John Gilpin, author of the District's 100th Anniversary book, "Doing What's Best For Kids". Mr. Gilpin described his research in preparation for the writing of the book, and delighted guests with a brief question and answer period.

Mr. Gilpin then proceeded to the official book signing.

20425 1400 hrs. – Recess with meeting moved to music room.

20426 Reconvene at 1412 hrs.



20427 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report, including updating trustees and senior administration on the recent FMPSD Partnership Priorities and Possibilities: Achieving Greater Collective Impact Meeting held on October 30th. The meeting was very well attended and a huge success. He indicated further steps will be taken and an action plan formulated.

Trustee Mywaart commented on this incredible partnerships day and thanked Superintendent Parsons and his Executive staff for the amazing opportunity this created for FMPSD.

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming School Growth Plan presentations scheduled on December 3rd.

Superintendent Parsons also mentioned the framed certificate that was presented to Chair, Jeff Thompson, acknowledging the District's receipt of the 2012 Premier's Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence as Award Finalist.

20428 Letter from
Superintendent of
Schools

Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from Superintendent Parsons, serving notice that Mr. Parsons would not be extending his contract of employment with the District once it expires in August 2013.

Trustees thanked Superintendent Parsons for providing such ample notice and for all of his hard work, dedication, and leadership.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1430 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees acknowledge receipt of the letter from Superintendent Parsons.

20429 Approval of the Audited
Financial Statements

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Auditors were not available to attend. This topic was deferred to a December 3rd Special Board Meeting. Superintendent Parsons indicated Alberta Education will be alerted to the delay in our submission of these documents.

20430 Budget

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the 2012 – 2013 budget. Trustees asked several questions for clarification.

Trustees felt the topic of FNMI student registration should be brought up with the Minister of Education.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1520 hrs.

M/C as amended

That the Board of Trustees approve the attached Operating Budget for the 2012 – 2013 school year and direct the office of Superintendent to make reductions where possible through attrition and cost containment.

Trustees discussed possible options and solutions for budget deficit reduction.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1520 hrs.

M/C as amended

To direct the office of Superintendent to provide a process to explore grade configuration and District calendar for presentation at the December 17th Board meeting.

20431 Second and Final Reading – Policy DR Fundraising Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for consideration of second and final reading of this policy.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1626 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees consider second and final reading for Policy DR Fundraising.

20432 Second and Final Reading – Policy FF Naming Schools Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for consideration of second and final reading of this policy.

Trustee Adams served motion at 1628 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees consider second and final reading for Policy FF Naming Schools.

20433 Second and Final Reading – Policy FLA Surplus Land and Buildings Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to speak to this policy. Mr. Kallal updated trustees and senior administration on the Ministry's requirement that each District have this policy in place. It has been reviewed by the PAC with no recommended changes.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1633 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees consider second and final reading for Policy FLA Surplus Land and Buildings.

20434 Approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Courses – Dance 15-25-35 (5) Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for approval of Locally Developed/Acquired Course – Dance 15-25-35.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1636 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve Dance 15-25-35 (5) as a locally acquired course.

20435 Approval-in-Principle – Edge Schools Skills Academy Students Travel to Boston May 15 – 21, 2013 Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed Edge Schools Skills Academy students travel to Boston May 15 – 21, 2013.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1640 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Edge School Skills Academy students travel to Boston May 15 – 21, 2013.

20436 Approval-in-Principle – Westwood High School Students Travel to New York, New York – March 31 – April 7, 2013 Trustee Mywaart felt she was in a conflict of interest situation with this agenda item. After clarification from Chair, Jeff Thompson, Trustee Mywaart indicated she would abstain from voting.

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed Westwood students travel to New York, New York, during Spring Break 2013.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1645 hrs.
M/C, with Trustee Mywaart abstaining
That the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Westwood Community High School Students travel to New York, New York, March 31 – April 7, 2013.



20437 Trustee Items **Trustee Engagement** - Trustee Drover reported on trustee engagement since the October 22, 2012, Board Meeting:

October 25	Government Information Session—Nisku
October 26	ASBA zone 2/3 AGM—Edmonton
October 29	Meet and Greet for “Partnership” event— Sawridge Hotel
October 30	“Partnership Priorities and Possibilities”—Sawridge Hotel
October 31	Westwood Assembly
(October 31	Greely Road School visit)
November 5	Lunch with the Student Advisory Group—CPEC
November 8	Remembrance Day Ceremonies: Westwood, Comp, Beacon Hill, Ecole McTavish
November 11	Remembrance Day Ceremony at MacDonald Island
November 15	Westwood Academic Awards
Nov 18 – 20	ASBA Fall General Meeting—Edmonton
November 20	Minister’s Conference call
November 21	School visit Ecole Dickinsfield
November 23	ASBA zone 2/3 meeting--Edmonton

20438 Correspondence 1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the receipt of a letter requesting a member of the Board to speak at an assembly at Composite High School attended by a delegation of Japanese teachers and students. Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated he will attend, schedule permitting.

20439 Business Arising None

20440 Other Business **Rotating Board Meetings** – Trustees agreed their decision to hold rotating Board meetings in District Schools required further review. Pending this review, the December Board meeting will be held at CPEC. This topic will be added to the December 17th Board meeting agenda for further discussion and decision.

Trustee Adams indicated she will not be able to attend the December 3rd COW meeting in person but would be available by telephone. Recording Secretary, Sharon Dunn, was asked to organize a conference bridge.


Donation in Lieu of Trustee Gift Exchange - Trustees agreed to gather their donations at the December 3rd Committee of the Whole Meeting.

20441 Request for Information Trustee Adams requested Allan Kallal make a budget presentation at the Networks Meeting in January.

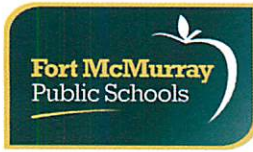
20442 Future Agenda Items Enrollment

20443 Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 1711 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2012 12 17.

- Attendees:
- Chair - J. Thompson
 - Vice Chair - G. Cooper (via teleconference)
 - Trustee - L. Mywaart
 - Trustee - S. Drover
 - Trustee - A. Adams joined at 0857 hrs.
 - Superintendent of Schools - D. Parsons
 - Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal
 - Business & Finance
 - Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
 - Human Resources & Admin.
 - Associate Superintendent - B. Sautner
 - Education & Admin.
 - Recording Secretary - S. Dunn

20451	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 0834 hrs.
20452	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
20453	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 0835 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20454	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 0835 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20455	Shop Talk	Deferred
20456	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Adams served motion at 1028 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In-Conference Agenda
20457	Additions to Agenda	None
20458	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1029 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20459	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2012 11 26	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1030 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 11 26 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.

20460	Minutes – Special Board Meeting 2012 12 03	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1129 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 12 03 Special Board Meeting be approved.
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20461	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2012 12 03	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1130 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 12 03 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
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20462	Business Arising from the Minutes	a) Rotating Board Meetings b) Donation in Lieu of Gift Exchange c) Debrief on School Growth Plan Presentations – topic to be placed on the January 7, 2013, Committee of the Whole (COW) Meeting Agenda
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20463	Superintendent’s Report	Superintendent Parsons briefly reviewed his report for Trustees and senior administration. Trustees agreed the topic of Budget would be deferred to the January 7, 2013, COW meeting. There were no further questions or concerns.
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20464		Regrets: Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, at 1130 hrs.
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20465	Enrollment	Superintendent Parsons briefly updated trustees and senior administration on prior Board discussions with regard to this topic. Several options were presented and the logistics of each option were reviewed and discussed. Trustees agreed to defer any decision making regarding this topic to the February Board meeting pending possible announcements from Alberta Education.
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20466		Regrets: Chair, Jeff Thompson, at 1200 hrs. Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, assumed Chair at 1200 hrs.
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20467	Board Meetings/Survey Results	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, updated trustees and senior administration on the survey results presented and discussion followed.
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20468		Chair, Jeff Thompson, rejoined at 1235 hrs.
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20469	Board Meetings/Survey Results	Chair, Jeff Thompson, revisited the purpose and intent for the District’s initiation of the survey. Further discussion followed. The decision regarding future Board meetings was deferred.
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20470	ASBA	Deferred.
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20471	Trustee Engagement	Trustee Angela Adams agreed to present Trustee Engagement during the regular meeting.
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20472 Review of Public Agenda Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.

20473 Recess
Trustee, Glenn Cooper, served motion to recess
M/C
That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1330 hours.

20474 Convene Regular Meeting
Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1309 hrs.
Other attendees: 3
Media: 1

20475 O Canada
Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.

A moment of silence followed in memory of the 26 students and staff of the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, who recently lost their lives in a shooting rampage.

20476 Question Period
There were no questions.

20477 Additions to Agenda
None

20478 Approval of Agenda
Trustee Drover served motion at 1315 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.



20479 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Fort McMurray Islamic School (FMIS)

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced FMIS Vice Principal, Mr. David Parsons and teacher Wendy Eastman. Ms. Eastman introduced the Mathletics interactive game FMIS students utilize to learn, study and complete world-wide. A delightful video presentation and brief question and answer period were also part of their Spotlight on Education.

Greely Road Public School

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Greely Road Principal, Annalee Nutter. Ms. Nutter updated trustees and senior administration on the creation of a student council and introduced 11 Greely Road students. A video presentation on student leadership followed, along with an entertaining rap song performed by the students.

Decade Marker Presentation – Greely Road & Fort McMurray Islamic Schools

Students from both Fort McMurray Islamic School and Greely Road School unveiled the 1942 – 1952 decade marker and presented it to the Board.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, and trustees thanked the students for their delightful presentations.

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Regrets: Trustee Glenn Cooper at 1404 hrs.

20481 Superintendent of Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons provided highlights of his report, including updating trustees and senior administration on the very successful Lego League tournament held this past Saturday. He also provided trustees with an action plan formulated as follow up to the October 30th FMPSD Partnership Priorities and Possibilities: Achieving Greater Collective Impact Meeting. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated a debrief session will be scheduled in January with trustees. Superintendent Parsons indicated this action plan will also be sent out to the various stakeholders.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on research conducted by Dr. Brenda Sautner regarding a Bullying Hotline. Dr. Sautner recommended the addition of the Provincial bullying helpline number to our District website.

20482 Bullying Helpline

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1418 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees give approval to post the Provincial bullying helpline telephone number on our District website.

Trustee Drover suggested posters indicating the Provincial bullying helpline be put up in our schools. Trustee Mywaart indicated she was aware that the District has supports in place to assist students who have been bullied, but she inquired about District supports for the bullies. Dr. Sautner responded.

20483 Continuation of Superintendent's Report

The fall public engagement survey results were provided to trustees, along with several options for board meeting times and location. Superintendent Parsons called upon Associate Superintendent Phil Meagher to review the options presented.

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- 20484 Future Board Meetings Trustee Drover served motion at 1445 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees change their meeting format to now hold regular board meetings in the Main Board Room at the Clearwater Public Education Centre commencing at 7 p.m. including the Spotlight on Education. The In-Camera and In-Conference meetings will fall in line with this time frame.
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- 20485 Continuation of Superintendent's Report Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a debriefing session he had with Principals at the recent Leader's Meeting regarding the School Growth Plan presentations that were held on December 3rd. Feedback obtained from the leaders was very positive.

He also updated trustees and senior administration on the new School Act, the current status of the Tripartite discussions, and a recent Shared Services Meeting.
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- 20486 Approval-in-Principle – Composite High School Students Travel to Hawaii Spring Break 2013 Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed trip for Composite High School students to travel to Hawaii during Spring Break 2013.

Trustee Drover served motion at 1505 hrs.
M/C, as amended
That the Board of Trustees waive the timelines and give approval-in-principle for Composite High School Students travel to Hawaii during Spring Break 2013.
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- 20487 Approval – 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, updated trustees and senior administration on the 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report. This topic will be brought back for further discussion at the Committee of the Whole meeting in January, along with the School Growth Plans.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1517 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the 2011 – 2012 Annual Education Results Report for the Fort McMurray Public School District #2833.
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- 20488 Budget Deferred to the January Board meeting.
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- 20489 First Reading – Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for consideration of first reading of policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies. He indicated this policy has been reviewed through the Policy Advisory Committee.

Trustees provided feedback.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1544 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve first reading of Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies.
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20490 Trustee Items Trustee Engagement - Trustee Drover reported on trustee engagement since the November 26, 2012, Board Meeting:

- December 3 Wood Buffalo Leaders Dinner
- December 5 Fort McMurray Christian School Christmas Concert
- December 6 Ecole McTavish Play
- December 8 District Gala
- December 12 Westwood Christmas Concert
- December 16 Lego Robotics

20491 Correspondence 1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on his receipt of the Rural Alberta Development Fund Annual Report.

20492 Business Arising None

20493 Other Business None

20494 Request for Information None

20495 Future Agenda Items Budget

20496 Alberta School Boards Association Deferred to January COW meeting.

20497 Adjournment There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 1627 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Executive Board Room, 2012 12 03 at 0830 hrs.

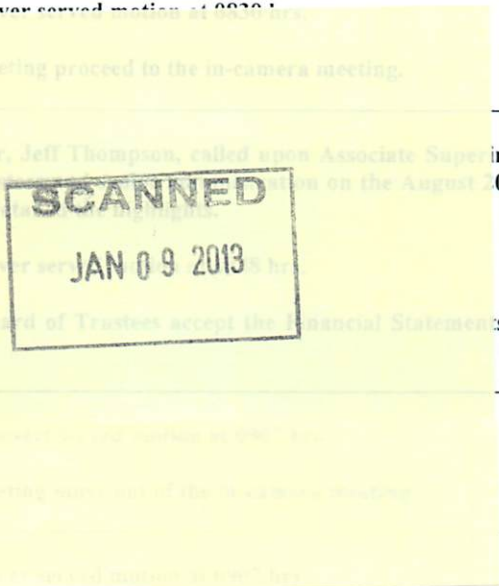
Attendees:

Chair Jeff Thompson
Vice Chair Glenn Cooper
Trustee Linda Mywaart
Trustee Stephen Drover
Recording Secretary Sharon Dunn

District Auditors

Regrets: Trustee Angela Adams, Superintendent Dennis Parsons, Associate Superintendent Brenda Sautner

- 20444 Call to Order Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 0830 hrs.
20445 Additions to Agenda None.
20446 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 0830 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20447 Motion to Go In-Conference Trustee Drover served motion at 0830 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20448 Financial Statements August 2012 Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees on the August 2012 Financial Statements. Mr. Kallal... Trustee Drover served motion at 0830 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees accept the Financial Statements for August 31, 2012, as presented.
20449 Motion to Go Out of In-Conference Trustee... M/C That the meeting...
20450 Adjournment Trustee... M/C That the Board of Trustees adjourn the Special Board Meeting.



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BOARD CHAIR
Secretary-Treasurer



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 01 21.

Attendees:

- Chair - J. Thompson (joined at 1500 hrs.)
- Vice Chair - G. Cooper
- Trustee - L. Mywaart
- Trustee - S. Drover
- Trustee - A. Adams
- Superintendent of Schools - D. Parsons
- Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal
 - Business & Finance
- Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
 - Human Resources & Admin.
- Associate Superintendent - B. Sautner
 - Education & Admin.
- Recording Secretary - S. Dunn

20498	Call to Order	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, called the meeting to order at 1420 hrs.
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20499	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
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20500	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1423 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20501	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1423 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
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20502		Chair, Jeff Thompson, joined at 1500 Hrs.
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20503		1600 Hrs. – Regrets: Trustee Stephen Drover & Associate Superintendent Phil Meagher
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20504	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1634 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In-Conference Agenda
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20505	Additions to Agenda	ASCA Membership
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20506	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1634 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20507	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2012 12 17	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1435 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2012 12 17 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.
20508	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2013 01 07	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1638 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 01 07 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
20509	Business Arising from the Minutes	Trustees noted the amendments suggested during the January 7 th Committee of the Whole Meeting to the one-page Annual Education Results Report remained outstanding.
20510	Superintendent's Report	Superintendent Parsons briefly reviewed the highlights of his report for Trustees and senior administration. With regard to the notice posted on the District website regarding the change in Board meeting schedule, Trustees requested additional attention be drawn to Board meetings that fall on Tuesdays due to statutory holidays falling on the Monday, perhaps through the use of highlighting the word "Tuesday". Trustees also briefly discussed the day of the week to hold board meetings and agreed this would be added as a topic of discussion to the June Board meeting agenda.
20511	Board Retreat	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming Board retreat scheduled for February 7 and 8 th .
20512	Meeting with Minister of Education	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming meeting with the Honourable Jeff Johnson, Minister of Education.
20513	Trustee Engagement	Trustee Mywaart agreed to report on Trustee Engagement during the Regular meeting.
20514	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	FMPSD Board of Trustees representative, Trustee Cooper, indicated he will have a report following the upcoming Public School Board's Council meeting scheduled on February 7 – 9, 2013.
20515	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	FMPSD Board of Trustees representative, Trustee Mywaart, indicated she did not have a report at this time.
20516	Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) Annual General Meeting	Trustee Adams inquired if the District would continue with its past practice of covering the school councils' membership and AGM registration fee costs. Trustees confirmed the District would continue to cover these expenses.
20517	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.



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- 20518 Recess
Trustee, Glenn Cooper, served motion to recess
M/C
That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1900 hours.
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- 20519
1900 Hrs. – Trustee Stephen Drover joined by teleconference.
1900 Hrs. – Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, joined.
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- 20520 Convene Regular Meeting
Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1900 hrs.

Other attendees: Full Gallery
Media: 1
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- 20521 O Canada
Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
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- 20522 Question Period
There were no questions.
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- 20523 Additions to Agenda
None
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- 20524 Approval of Agenda
Trustee Adams served motion at 1905 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.
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- 20525 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Fort McMurray Christian School
Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Fort McMurray Christian School Principal, Mr. Joe Champion. Mr. Champion introduced Mrs. Hamilton who, in turn, introduced seven Grade 7 and 8 junior high students. Students presented Christian Youth in Action (CYIA) for Trustees and senior administration through an interactive presentation.

Frank Spragins High School
Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Frank Spragins Principal, Roxanne Fudge, and teacher Cavelle Dumaresque. Ms. Fudge spoke about the success of the formal mentoring program implemented at her school in Fall 2012. Ms. Dumaresque explained the details of the program which utilizes staff volunteers to target students who are at risk educationally and require additional support.

Decade Marker Presentation – Fort McMurray Christian School & Frank Spragins High School
Students from both Fort McMurray Christian School and Frank Spragins High School unveiled the 1952 - 1962 decade marker and presented it to the Board.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, and trustees thanked the students for their delightful and enlightening presentations.
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- 20526
For the benefit of the audience, Chair, Jeff Thompson, explained the rationale for the new Board meeting times and location.
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20527 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Superintendent Parsons to provide the highlights of his report.

Superintendent Parsons reiterated Chair Thompson's remarks regarding the change in meeting times and location for Board meetings. He also updated trustees and senior administration on upcoming public consultation sessions to solicit input and feedback regarding the possible reconfiguration of schools and the community's view on a compressed school week.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on an email he received from the Deputy Minister of Education advising Alberta Education is extending the expiry dates for a number of regulations pending implementation of the Education Act.

Superintendent Parsons advised the District is still in the process of recruiting a Partnership Facilitator and he hoped to introduce the new incumbent during the next Board meeting.

20525 Approval of the 2012 –
2015 District Strategic
Educational Plan

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the District's 2012 – 2015 District Strategic Educational Plan prepared for Board approval.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1956 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees approve the 2012 – 2015 District Strategic Educational Plan.

20526 Final Approval
– Composite and
Westwood High School
Students Travel to
Japan Spring Break
2013

– Ecole McTavish Junior
High School Students
Travel to Anaheim, CA,
April 25 – 29, 2013

– Westwood High School
Students Travel to Italy
Spring Break 2013

– Composite High
School Students Travel
to Hawaii Spring Break
2013

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed trip for Composite and Westwood High School students to travel to Japan during Spring Break 2013.

Trustee Adams suggested the Board pass an omnibus motion for Action Items 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 and 7.6. Trustees Adams also confirmed that all monies used to pay for these schools trips is fundraised.

Trustee Adams served omnibus motion at 2012 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees give final approval for student travel to Japan, Anaheim, CA, Italy and Hawaii during Spring Break 2013.



20529	Final Approval – Westwood High School Students Travel to New York, NY, Spring Break 2013	Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed trip for Westwood High School students to travel to New York, NY, during Spring Break 2013. Trustee Cooper served motion at 2023 hrs. M/C, with Trustee Mywaart abstaining That the Board of Trustees give final approval for Westwood High School Students travel to New York, NY, during Spring Break 2013.
20530	Recess	2030 hrs. – The Board took a 10 minute recess
20531	Trustee Items	<u>Trustee Engagement</u> - Trustee Mywaart reported on trustee engagement since the December 17, 2012, Board Meeting, including trustee attendance at several Christmas Concerts and a meeting attended by the Board Chair with the Minister of Education.
20532	Correspondence	1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on an invitation received from Beacon Hill School to participate in their Annual Winter Walk, February 6, 2013.
20533	Business Arising	None
20534	Other Business	None
20535	Request for Information	None
20536	Future Agenda Items	None
20537	Adjournment	There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 2041 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 02 19.

Attendees:

Chair	- J. Thompson
Vice Chair	- G. Cooper
Trustee	- L. Mywaart
Trustee	- S. Drover
Trustee	- A. Adams
Superintendent of Schools	- D. Parsons
Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance	- A. Kallal (joined at 1435 hrs.)
Associate Superintendent - Human Resources & Admin.	- P. Meagher (joined at 1606 hrs.)
Associate Superintendent - Education & Admin.	- B. Sautner (joined at 1606 hrs.)
Recording Secretary	- S. Dunn

20538	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1407 hrs.
20539	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	1. Technology (service delivery, contract) 2. New Education Act and Regulation Implications for the District
20540	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1416 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20541	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1416 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20542		Regrets: Chair, Jeff Thompson, at 1428 hrs.
20543		Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, assumed the Chair at 1435 hrs. Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, joined at 1435 hrs.
20544		Chair, Jeff Thompson, joined at 1446 hrs.
20545		1504 hrs. – Superintendent Parsons, Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal and Recording Secretary Sharon Dunn were excused.
20546		1606 hrs. – Superintendent Parsons, Associate Superintendents Allan Kallal, Phil Meagher and Brenda Sautner and Recording Secretary Sharon Dunn joined.
20547	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Drover served motion at 1605 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In-Conference Agenda

20548	Additions to Agenda	1. RaRa – March 2, 2013 2. 4.8.4 Zone 2/3 MLA Dinner - Thursday March 21 – 4:30 – 8:30 p.m.
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20549	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1608 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20550	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2013 01 21	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1609 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 01 21 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.
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20551	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2013 02 04	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1609 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 02 04 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
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20552	Business Arising from the Minutes	Trustee Mywaart inquired about the upcoming ASBA public information sessions regarding “is trusteeship for me?” It was agreed Trustee Mywaart will bring this item forward as an Agenda item during the regular meeting.
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20553	Superintendent’s Report	Superintendent Parsons briefly reviewed his report for trustees and senior administration, including mention of the meeting with Minister Johnson, a meeting he attended with Alberta Education and Infrastructure representatives on January 31, 2013, an upcoming meeting with local MLA’s, and the status of filling the Partnership Facilitator position. He also mentioned his attendance at the Convergence YMM Session on February 13, 2013. Trustee Mywaart indicated she had met the new Library Director and she will pass the contact information along to Superintendent Parsons for follow up.
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20554	Upcoming Meeting with MLA’s	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming meeting with MLA’s. Trustees confirmed the briefing document that was prepared for the Honourable Jeff Johnson will be used as the basis for conversation with MLA’s.
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20555	Enrollment	Deferred.
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20556	Trustee Engagement	<p>Trustees discussed the topic of Trustee Engagement and its placement on the Regular Board Meeting Agenda. They agreed this topic would be more appropriately discussed during the In-Conference meeting for all future Board meetings.</p> <p><u>Trustee Engagement January 2013 – February 2013</u> – Trustees Mywaart and Drover reported on trustee engagement since the January 21, 2013, Board Meeting, including trustee attendance at the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 25th ASBA zone 2/3 meeting – Edmonton January 29th Meeting with Minister Jeff Johnson – CPEC January 31st Town Hall Meeting – Ecole McTavish Junior High School February 5th Town Hall Meeting – Westwood High School February 6th Winter Walk – Beacon Hill School February 6th Town Hall Meeting – Composite High School February 7th Ecole McTavish School visit February 7th & 8th Board Retreat February 9th – PSBC Council meeting - Edmonton February 11th Public Session: Budget Discussion NDP – CEP Union Hall February 11th Town Hall Meeting – CPEC February 12th & 13th Convergence YMM – Quality Inn February 12th – Greely Road and Timberlea School visits February 13th – Science Fair at Timberlea School February 14th Breakfast – Westview School February 15th Monthly Assembly—Beacon Hill School
20557	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	<p>Trustee Cooper updated Trustees and senior administration on a letter received from President, Patty Dittrick, dated February 4, 2013, and provided highlights of the February 9, 2013 PSBC meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Cooper also updated Trustees and senior administration on an upcoming meeting to discuss PSBA's survey regarding the Education Act and Regulatory Review. He mentioned this meeting falls on regularly scheduled Board meeting date. Trustees agreed further clarification was required, i.e. who can attend this meeting and deadline for survey completion. Superintendent Parsons and Trustee Cooper will follow up and report back.</p> <p>Trustee Cooper mentioned a presentation Alberta Distance Learning did at the PSBC February 2013 meeting.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart indicated she may not be available to attend the Spring General Meeting.</p>
20558	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	<p>Trustee Mywaart updated trustees and senior administration on action items requiring feedback. Trustees discussed the action items and agreed they would support the idea of not having a speaker during lunch, especially on the business day of the meeting.</p> <p>Trustees reviewed the annual Value Statement provided by ASBA.</p>
20559		<p>1703 hrs. – Regrets: Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal. 1705 hrs. – Excused: Trustee Stephen Drover.</p>
20560	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) (continued)	<p>Trustee Cooper highlighted the key points of a teleconference call he attended, along with Trustees Mywaart and Adams.</p>

20561		1713 hrs. – Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal joined.
20562	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) (continued)	Trustees briefly discussed the upcoming MLA Reception scheduled to be held March 21, 2013. Trustee Mywaart will ask for the list of MLA's who are planning to attend this event and FMPSD representation will be determined once the list is available.
20563		1719 hrs. – Trustee Drover joined.
20564	RaRa	The annual RaRa event is scheduled to be held on Saturday, March 2, 2013, at the Quality Inn. Trustee Adams agreed to attend as Board representative and present the Junior Achiever Award during the banquet. Recording Secretary, Ms. Dunn, will arrange for tickets for Trustee Adams. All other trustees will advise Ms. Dunn as soon as possible if they plan to attend.
20565	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.
20566	Recess	Trustee, Glenn Cooper, served motion to recess at 1726 hrs. M/C That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1900 hours.
20567	Convene Regular Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1900 hrs. Other attendees: Full Gallery Media: 4
20568	O Canada	Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
20569	Question Period	There were no questions.
20570	Additions to Agenda	Trustee Mywaart added 8.1 Trusteeship
20571	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1907 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.



20572 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Thickwood Heights Public School

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Thickwood Heights Public School Principal, Mr. Kevin Bergen. Mr. Bergen introduced music teacher, Ms. Val Gondek and five students in their first year with the Thickwood Heights concert band who delighted trustees with the song "Let's Go Band". Students in the music program also performed two brief songs from their musical Winnie the Pooh production coming in March, 2013.

Decade Marker Presentation – Thickwood Heights Public School

Mr. Bergen and students provided trustees and senior administration with some interesting District historical facts from the 1962 – 1972 era and unveiled the decade marker for presentation to the Board.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, and trustees thanked the students for their delightful and enlightening presentations.

20573 Superintendent of Schools Report

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Superintendent Parsons to provide the highlights of his report.

Superintendent Parsons briefly explained the rationale and purpose for the four Town Hall sessions that were held on January 31st, February 5th, 6th and 11th. He thanked those who attended the Town Hall sessions and provided their valuable feedback.

Superintendent Parsons also provided trustees and senior administration with a brief list of District accomplishments to date.

Superintendent Parsons then called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees and senior administration on the current budget situation. Mr. Kallal reviewed the current budget deficit situation, and provided a brief explanation of new factors that now reflect a reduction in the projected budget deficit from \$4.4 Million to \$3 Million.

Trustee Drover questioned the reduction and Superintendent Parsons called upon Mr. Kallal to provide an explanation. Mr. Kallal indicated a discrepancy was discovered between government and District reporting that resulted in a credit to the District in the amount of \$700,000.

Trustee Mywaart inquired about the transportation grant, asking if it is sufficient to cover transportation costs. Mr. Kallal indicated transportation is in a deficit position.

Trustee Cooper thanked senior administration for the update on budget and inquired whether or not the \$700,000 credit would be part of the reduction in budget deficit realized through the proposed grade reconfiguration or compressed calendar.

Mr. Kallal indicated it was not a part of any changes that may be made to grade configuration or compressed calendar.

Trustee Adams asked Superintendent Parsons to explain how the District reached a \$4.4 million deficit.

20573 Superintendent of
Schools Report
(continued)

Superintendent Parsons reviewed the District's financial status going back two years. He outlined, year by year, the budget deficit and how the District arrived at the \$4.4 Million deficit today. Mr. Kallal also reviewed the grant structure.

Trustee Mywaart inquired further regarding bussing. Superintendent Parsons explained the shared bussing arrangement with the Catholic District and the City of Fort McMurray. Mr. Kallal provided an explanation of bussing fees.

Superintendent Parsons called upon Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, to speak to grade configuration. Through research conducted by senior administration, Mr. Meagher indicated a K-8/9 and 9-12 or 10-12 grade configuration is the better choice for student success. He then reviewed the options presented for Board consideration.

Trustee Drover inquired about the number of students we might anticipate if trustees were to proceed with some of the proposed grade reconfigurations. Superintendent Parsons replied that if Ecole McTavish were reconfigured to a Grade 7 – 12 school, the school could house 1100 students; however, the number of students that would actually enroll is unknown.

Superintendent Parsons felt the best choice for trustees would be to choose a path that would give parents choice.

Trustee Adams indicated that grade configuration was being talked about as a way to reduce the budget deficit. She asked how much the District would save by reconfiguring grades. Superintendent Parsons responded that he could not answer this question as student enrollment is an unknown factor.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked trustees if there were any additional questions for clarification. There were none.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked trustees for a motion on the floor for debate.

Superintendent Parsons reconfirmed that the options brought forward were just that – options.

A lengthy debate ensued with a number of pros and cons for grade reconfiguration discussed.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 2028 hrs.

Motion Defeated

That the Board of Trustees revisit the grade configurations option following the provincial budget announcements on March 7th. Once we know if our District will be receiving new schools to address our identified growth needs, we can determine if there is a need to institute interim changes in grade configuration or not.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2037 hrs.

Motion Defeated as amended

That the Board of Trustees reconfigure Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School to a K-8 school and redirect the Grade 9's to Westwood.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2120 hrs.

M/C

That the Board of Trustees stay with the status quo on grade configuration for the upcoming school year.

20574 Superintendent's Report (continued) Superintendent Parsons returned to his report and called upon Associate Superintendent, Dr. Brenda Sautner, to speak to a possible compressed instructional week. Dr. Sautner reviewed her research and provided Trustees and senior administration with some statistics and related cost savings. She reviewed the pros and cons of a compressed instructional week.

20575 Compressed Calendar Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked trustees if they had any questions or required any clarification.

Trustee Mywaart asked if the Districts studied were in the same economic situation as Fort McMurray Public. Dr. Sautner indicated yes. A brief debate followed.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2156 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees stay with the current calendar.

20576 Approval-in-Principle – Ecole McTavish Junior High School Students Travel to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa, May 17 – 23, 2013 Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed trip for Ecole McTavish Junior High Public School students to travel to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa, May 17 – 23, 2013.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2211 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Ecole McTavish Junior High School Students travel to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa, May 17 – 23, 2013.

20577 Trustee Items Trustee Mywaart updated Trustees and senior administration on upcoming Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) information sessions called "Is school trusteeship for me", scheduled as follows:

Medicine Hat 7:00 pm Tuesday, March 19 Medicine Hat Lodge, 1051 Ross Glen Drive SE

Lethbridge 7:00 pm Wednesday, March 20 Lethbridge Lodge, 320 Scenic Drive

Grande Prairie 7:00 pm Wednesday, March 27 Sandman Inn, 9805 100th Street

Calgary 7:00 pm Thursday, April 4 Executive Royal Inn, 2828–23 Street NE
Red Deer 7:00 pm Monday, April 22 Sheraton, 3310–50 Avenue
Edmonton 7:00 pm Friday, April 26 Royal Glenora, 11160 River Valley Road

Trustee Mywaart asked that this information be posted on our Website as a web link and also brought to the attention of Networks Committee members.

Trustee Adams, Chair of the Networks Committee, noted there were no sessions scheduled to be held in Fort McMurray and asked Trustee Mywaart to follow up on the possibility of ASBA being able to offer this session in Fort McMurray in June.

20578 Correspondence 1. Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees on the January 31, 2013, letter from the Fort McMurray Victim Services inviting donations for an upcoming event.

20579 Business Arising None

20580 Other Business None

20581 Request for Information None

20582 Future Agenda Items None

20583 Adjournment There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 2219 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


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Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 03 18.

- Attendees:
- Vice Chair - Glenn Cooper (joined at 1900 hrs.)
 - Acting Chair - L. Mywaart
 - Trustee - S. Drover
 - Trustee - A. Adams
 - Superintendent - Dennis Parsons (joined at 1900 hrs.)
 - Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
 - Human Resources & Admin.
 - Associate Superintendent - B. Sautner
 - Education & Admin.
 - Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal (joined at 1908 hrs.)
 - Business & Finance
 - Recording Secretary - S. Dunn
- Regrets: - Chair Jeff Thompson

20584	Call to Order	Acting Chair, Linda Mywaart, called the meeting to order at 1413 hrs.
20585	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
20586	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1413 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20587	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Adams served motion at 1414 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20588	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Drover served motion at 1456 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to Shop Talk.
20589	Shop Talk	Trustees discussed Item Number 5, Public Engagement, and several ideas were put forward. Trustee Adams raised Item Number 3, Student Owned Devices, for discussion. Trustees agreed both topics should be revisited when all trustees are in attendance.
20590	Out of Shop Talk	Trustee Adams served motion at 1512 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of Shop Talk and proceed to In-Conference Agenda

20591	Additions to Agenda	4.9 District Website
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20592	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1517 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20593	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2013 02 19	Trustee Drover served motion at 1518 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 02 19 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.
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20594	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2013 03 04	Trustee Adams served motion at 1519 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 03 04 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
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20595	Business Arising from the Minutes	1. PSBA – deferred 2. Attendance at April COW meeting – Trustee Drover indicated he will not be able to attend.
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20596	Superintendent’s Report	<p>In Superintendent Parsons’ absence, Acting Chair, Linda Mywaart, highlighted some of the key points included in the Superintendent’s Report.</p> <p>Ms. Mywaart asked if there had been any progress made with regard to the possibility of the District being reclassified to Upper Northern. Some discussion followed and trustees agreed to await a response from senior administration during the April 15th Board meeting.</p> <p>The 2013 – 2014 Calendar was noted as an Agenda item during the upcoming regular Board meeting commencing at 1900 hrs. Ms. Mywaart asked trustees if they had any questions or required any additional information in preparation for the upcoming discussion. Trustee Drover asked for an explanation of operational and instructional days and what the implications were for starting the school year before the Labour day long weekend. Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, responded.</p>
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20597	ASCA PARENT CONFERENCE & AGM	Trustees noted this topic had been discussed and a decision made during the January 21 st Board Meeting.
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20598	Enrollment	Acting Chair, Linda Mywaart, briefly reviewed the documents that had been provided with regard to Enrollment. This topic will be brought forward to the April Board meeting.
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20599	Trustee Engagement	Trustees reported on trustee engagement since the February 19, 2013, Board Meeting, including trustee attendance: February 22 – ASBA zone 2/3 meeting in Edmonton February 22 – Meeting with MLA’s Mike Allen and Don Scott March 2 – Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards (RaRa) March 7 – Science Fair at Timberlea School March 7 – Budget Conference Call with the Minister March 9 – KAOS 91.1 Banquet March 12 – Open Minds with Beacon Hill School at Heritage Park March 15 – Recognition for Volunteers for Roots of Empathy Trustee Adams updated trustees and senior administration on her attendance at RaRa and, in particular, noted the District representative’s presentation of the Junior Achiever Award. She requested a letter be sent from the Board Chair to the organizing committee of RaRa based on the events of the evening.
20600	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	Due to the absence of Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, this topic was deferred.
20601	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	Acting Chair, Linda Mywaart, updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming MLA reception scheduled for March 21 st and provided an updated list of MLA’s who will be attending. Ms. Mywaart indicated she would be able to attend this event.
20602	District Website	Acting Chair, Linda Mywaart, questioned whether or not the new District website was the first one to automatically come up when searching the Internet for FMPSD. Trustees requested Superintendent Parsons investigate and report back.
20603	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.
20604	Recess	Trustee, Angela Adams, served motion to recess at 1604 hrs. M/C That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1900 hours.
20605		1900 hrs. – Vice Chair Glenn Cooper and Superintendent Dennis Parsons joined.
20606	Convene Regular Meeting	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1905 hrs. Other attendees: 10 Media: 1
20607	O Canada	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
20608		1908 hrs. – Allan Kallal joined

20609 Question Period There were no questions.

20610 Additions to Agenda None

20611 Approval of Agenda Trustee Drover served motion at 1909 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.

20612 Delegations and Presentations

Spotlight on Education

Beacon Hill Public School

Associate Superintendent, Mr. Phil Meagher, introduced Beacon Hill Public School Principal Waleed Najmeddine who updated trustees and senior administration on a differentiated instruction technique used in his school. Ms. Blanchette, Beacon Hill Grade 5 teacher, explained "words their way". Four students were introduced who demonstrated the program to trustees. The students explained that every Monday they meet with Ms. Blanchette and review the words that she has given them.

Decade Marker Presentation – Beacon Hill Public School

Mr. Najmeddine provided a brief powerpoint presentation highlighting notable events during the 1972 – 1982 decade. A movie was shown of students performing the Celebration Song from Cool and the Gang, followed by the unveiling of the decade marker.

Trustees and senior administration thanked the staff and students for their enlightening and enjoyable presentations.

Westwood Robotics Students

Deferred to the April Board meeting.



20613 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, called upon Superintendent Parsons to provide the highlights of his report.

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the March 7th tabling of the provincial budget. He reviewed key funding implications, and indicated the District's budget would be presented during the April Board meeting.

Superintendent Parsons highlighted the District's FNMI results, Goal 3 of the Strategic Education Plan, indicating our results are one of the best in Alberta. He called upon Dr. Brenda Sautner to provide more in-depth details regarding the focus of the District's Education Department.

Superintendent Parsons brought forward action item 7.4 regarding the school calendar for 2013 – 2014, and presented two options for consideration by the Board.

Trustee Drover asked for an explanation of instructional hours. Superintendent Parsons called upon Mr. Meagher. Mr. Meagher compared the two calendars presented for consideration, one with students returning to school prior to the Labour Day weekend and one with students returning to school after the Labour Day weekend.

Trustee Mywaart questioned the start of second semester on January 30th followed by a day off on the 31st and wondered if it would be more efficient for teachers to have two days of PD, back to back, prior to Teacher's Convention.

Mr. Meagher indicated that if the Board chose the option with school start-up after Labour day, the Catholic board would incur three extra days of full bussing costs as their District is going to start before Labour day.

Trustee Mywaart suggested the days students are in school should be indicated in one color, to make the calendar more user-friendly.

Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, referred to the previous Town Hall meetings and reminded trustees of the District's goal of economic efficiencies.

20614 Approval of 2013 – 2014
Calendar

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2035 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees approve the 2013 – 2014 school calendar with school start up after Labour Day.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2044 hrs.
M/D

That the Board of Trustees instruct staff to embed 3 full day Professional Development days into our calendar.

20615 Conclusion of
Superintendent's Report

Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, asked Superintendent Parsons if there were any further items he wished to note from his report. Superintendent Parsons indicated he had nothing further to report.

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2050 hrs. – 10 minute recess



20617 Reaffirm Policy DLC – Expense Reimbursements Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, provided trustees and senior administration with a number of rate comparisons for meals and mileage across the province and recommended the District reaffirm the current policy.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2104 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees reaffirm Policy DLC – Expense Reimbursements.

20618 Appointment of District Auditors 2012 - 2013 Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the annual appointment of District Auditors.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2106 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees appoint the firm of Meyers Norris Penny (MNP) as the District's Auditors for the 2012 – 2013 fiscal year.

20619 Approval – Capital Plan 2013 Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed Facility Master Plan for 2013 – 2014. The document will also be posted on the District website, and is due May 1, 2013, for submission to the Ministry. Debate followed.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2123 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the 2013 – 2014 Facility Master Plan.

20620 Approval – 100th Anniversary Book Complimentary Copy List Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on a proposed list of recipients to receive complimentary copies of the District's 100th Anniversary book, "Doing What's Best For Kids". Superintendent Parsons suggested a letter from our Board Chair accompany the gift.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2128 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the proposed list of recipients to be given complimentary copies of the District's 100th Anniversary book, with an accompanying letter from the Board Chair.

20621 Second and Final Reading – Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies Trustee Adams served motion at 2129 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the second and final reading of Policy HKFB Graduation Requirements & Ceremonies.

20622 Approval of Amended Policy HICA – Field Trips and Excursions Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the request for approval of amended HICA – Field Trips and Excursions, one of the outcomes of the Board's review of their Policy Handbook.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2134 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees approve the attached policy HICA – Field Trips and Excursions as amended.

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- 20623 Approval – Westwood Robotics Students Travel to Vancouver, B.C. March 8 – 10, 2013 and Anaheim, CA, April 2013
- Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the special circumstances for these two trips for Robotics students from Westwood Community High School.
- Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2136 hrs.
M/C as amended
That the Board of Trustees approve:
1. Westwood Robotics Students travel to Vancouver, B.C. March 8 – 10, 2013 – after the fact; and
 2. Westwood Robotics Students travel to California in April 2013, pending submission of the appropriate documents to the office of the Superintendent.
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- 20624 Final Approval – Edge School Skills Academy Students Travel to Boston May 15 – 21, 2013 and
- Final approval – Ecole McTavish Junior high School Students Travel to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa, May 17 – 23, 2013.
- Trustee Drover served an omnibus motion at 2142 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees give final approval for Edge School Skills Academy Students travel to Boston May 15 – 21, 2013.
and
That the Board of Trustees give final approval for Ecole McTavish Junior High School Students travel to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa, May 17 – 23, 2013.
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- 20625 Approval in Principle – Westwood Community High School Students Travel to France & London, Spring Break 2014
And
Approval in Principle – Composite High School Students Travel to Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand, Spring Break 2014
- Trustee Mywaart served an omnibus motion at 2144 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees give Approval-in-Principle for Westwood Community High School Students Travel to France & London, Spring Break, 2014.
And
That the Board of Trustees give Approval-in-Principle for Composite High School Students Travel to Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand, Spring Break, 2014.
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- 20626 Trustee Items
- Trustee Adams extended congratulations to the Composite High Boys Basketball team who competed on the weekend of March 16th and 17th, finishing 5th in Provincials. Trustee Adams also mentioned her attendance at RaRa and the District representative's presentation of the Junior Achiever Award.
- Trustee Mywaart updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming ASBA information sessions, "Is school trusteeship for me", and the possibility of having a session here in Fort McMurray.
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- 20627 Correspondence
1. Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, updated trustees on the February 21, 2013 Letter from Minister Jeff Johnson as a follow up to the January 29th meeting.
- Trustee Mywaart mentioned the Board's recent meeting with MLA's Don Scott and Mike Allen regarding the District's plea for new schools and facilities.
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20628	Business Arising	None
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20629	Other Business	Trustee Adams mentioned the upcoming Networks Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 19 th , in the Main Board Room at CPEC (Clearwater Public Education Centre). Trustee Mywaart mentioned the MLA reception scheduled on March 21 st in Edmonton, indicating she will be attending.
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20630	Request for Information	None
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20631	Future Agenda Items	Superintendent Parsons suggested a debriefing session regarding the meeting he, Vice Chair Glenn Cooper, and Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal attended in Edmonton March 18 th with the Alberta School Boards Association be added to an In-Camera Agenda to immediately follow the Regular Meeting this evening.
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20632	Recess	Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, recessed the Regular Board meeting at 2156 hrs.
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20633	Reconvene	Meeting reconvened at 2200 hrs.
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20634		2200 hrs. – Excused: Trustee Drover
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20635	In Camera	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2200 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
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20636	Recess the In-Camera Meeting until March 20, 2013	Trustee Adams served motion at 2227 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees recess the In-Camera meeting until March 20, 2013.
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20637	Reconvene In-Camera Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, reconvened the In-Camera meeting at 1614 hrs. on Wednesday, March 20, 2013.
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20638	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	PSBA Survey and Letter - Trustees agreed this item will be added as an Agenda item to the April 8 th Committee of the Whole meeting.
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20639	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1616 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20640	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1616 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
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20641 Out of In-Camera

Trustee Cooper served motion at 1820 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and adjourn.


BOARD CHAIR


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Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 04 15.

- Attendees:
- Chair - J. Thompson
 - Vice Chair - G. Cooper
 - Trustee - L. Mywaart
 - Trustee - S. Drover (joined at 1700 hrs.)
 - Trustee - A. Adams
 - Superintendent - D. Parsons
 - Associate Superintendent - P. Meagher
 - Human Resources & Admin.
 - Associate Superintendent - B. Sautner
 - Education & Admin.
 - Associate Superintendent - A. Kallal
 - Business & Finance
 - Recording Secretary - S. Dunn
- Regrets: - P. Meagher at 1735 hrs.

20647	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1447 hrs.
20648	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
20649	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1449 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20650	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Adams served motion at 1449 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20651		Trustee Drover joined at 1700 hrs.
20652		Regrets: Phil Meagher at 1735 hrs.
20653	Shop Talk	Deferred.
20654	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1734 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In Conference.

20655	Additions to Agenda	4.8 Art 30 Award & Process 4.9 Upcoming Conferences 4.1.3 Minutes of Special Board Meeting April 13, 2013 4.10 Action Item – Acceptance of Letter from Superintendent 4.11 Action Item – Approval of Condominium Purchase
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20656	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1740 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20657	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2013 03 18	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1741 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 03 18 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.
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20658	Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2013 04 08	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1742 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 04 08 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.
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20659	Minutes – Special Board Meeting 2013 04 13	Trustee Drover served motion at 1743 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 04 13 Special Board Meeting be approved.
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20660	Business Arising from the Minutes	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Trustee Adams' request that a letter be sent to the organizing committee of RaRa – a letter was prepared and presented to Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, for signature. The recording secretary will mail the letter on Tuesday, April 16, 2013.2. District Website – Superintendent Parsons provided feedback indicating that steps are being taken to remove the old website.3. Letters to accompany gifted 100th anniversary books – Superintendent Parsons provided the letters to Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, for signature. Once signed, the letters and accompanying complimentary copy of the 100th Anniversary books will be mailed to the approved list of recipients.4. ASBA Information Sessions, “Is school trusteeship for you” - Superintendent Parsons indicated he has approached the Fort McMurray Catholic School Board to determine their interest in co-hosting a session here in Fort McMurray with our Board. He advised the Catholic District has declined.
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20661	Superintendent's Report	Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the highlights of his operational report, including a technology review and the request from Thickwood Heights Public School for a proposed new designation. Trustees requested Thickwood Heights Public School Principal, Mr. Kevin Bergen, be invited to attend the Regular Board meeting this evening and present his proposal to the Board. Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on Dr. Sautner's participation on the Regional Collaborative Service Delivery (RCSD) Committee and called upon her to outline the committee's work.
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20662	Enrollment	Deferred to the May Board meeting.
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20663	Trustee Engagement	Trustee engagement since the March 18, 2013, Board Meeting, includes: Meeting with MLA Mike Allan MLA Reception - March 21st at the Royal Glenora, Edmonton ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting March 22nd , Edmonton Thickwood Heights School production of Winnie the Pooh March 26th Beacon Hill School Volunteer Appreciation for Open Minds March 26th Fort McMurray Christian School Easter Concert March 27th Intra Governmental Relations Committee conference call (PSBAA) March 28th Westwood High School - Robotics Meeting April 10th
20664	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	Trustee Cooper indicated he will be attending the upcoming PSBA Council meeting on Thursday, April 21 st , bringing survey feedback provided by the District.
20665	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	Trustees and senior administration reviewed the Budgeting and Bylaws Bulletin in preparation for the ASBA Spring General Meeting scheduled June 3 – 4, 2013, in Red Deer.
20666	Art 30 Award & Process	Superintendent Parsons updated trustees on the upcoming Art 30 Award process. Trustees Thompson and Cooper volunteered to sit on the selection committee.
20667	Conferences	<p>The list of upcoming conferences was reviewed. Trustees agreed the Capsle Conference will not be attended this year. The PSBA and ASBA Spring General Meetings will be attended by Trustees Thompson and Cooper. Trustees Drover and Adams will be in Red Deer at the time of the PSBA/ASBA Spring Generals and will attend as their schedules permit. Trustee Mywaart will attend the closing sessions of PSBA and the full ASBA Spring General Meeting.</p> <p>Trustees Thompson and Cooper indicated they will attend the CSBA Conference in July 2013 and the remaining trustees were asked to notify the recording secretary if they were also able to attend. The recording secretary will register all conference attendees.</p>
20668	Action Item – Acceptance of Letter from Superintendent	<p>Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter dated April 15, 2013, from Superintendent Dennis Parsons. Mr. Thompson provided the rationale for this letter, indicating that a change in designation was being made for the sole purpose of enabling the new Superintendent to commence employment on August 1, 2013. Mr. Thompson further stated that, in the Senior Education Advisor role, Superintendent Parsons would retain the salary and benefits as stipulated in his current contract.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1845 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees accept the letter dated April 15, 2013, from Superintendent Dennis Parsons regarding conclusion of his current contract effective July 31, 2013, and his acceptance of a position as Senior Education Advisor for the period August 1 – 21, 2013.</p>
20669	Action Item – Approval of Condominium Purchase	<p>Trustee Cooper served motion at 1850 hrs. M/C as amended That the Board of Trustees approve the District's purchase of condominium #408 located at 108 Denholm Gate with the intent this condominium be utilized as a rental unit for the incumbent Superintendent/CEO, pending Ministerial approval if required.</p>

20670	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.
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20671	Recess	Trustee, Stephen Drover, served motion to recess at 1857 hrs. M/C That the meeting move out of in-conference and recess until 1905 hours.
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20672	Convene Regular Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1905 hrs. Other attendees: 13 Media: 0
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20673	O Canada	Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
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20674	Question Period	There were no questions.
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20675	Additions to Agenda	Thickwood Heights Presentation Statement of Financial Position – as an addendum to Item 7.1 Budget.
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20676	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1909 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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Spotlight on Education

Westview Public School
& Westwood
Community High School

Associate Superintendent, Dr. Brenda Sautner, introduced Westview Public School Principal Merrie-Rae Mitsopoulos, Vice Principal Garette Tebay and teachers Leslie Scott and Jennifer Painter. The teachers introduced two students who demonstrated their knowledge on learner outcomes in support of the new outcome-based report card.

The students delighted trustees and senior administration, one presenting and reviewing her poster project and the other student reviewing a powerpoint presentation she had prepared.

Dr. Sautner introduced Westwood Community High School Principal, Jessica Roy, Vice Principal, Danny Tulk, and teacher Johnny Dulku, Westwood's staff sponsor for their green initiative. Westwood has received environmental awareness grants for four (4) main projects, including worm composters and a large outdoor garden. Westwood student, Diamond Cisna, was in attendance and provided a complete explanation of the worm composter project. Among several other projects, Ms. Cisna indicated a grant has also been applied for to build a lean-to greenhouse where students will attempt to grow their own foods for use in the foods room.

Decade Marker Presentation – Westview Public School & Westwood Community High School

Dr. Sautner called upon Westwood Principal Jessica Roy for the decade marker presentation. Ms. Roy introduced Westwood student Lise-Anne Lacombe. Ms. Lacombe displayed a picture she had painted and provided an explanation for the details included in the painting based on events from the 80's.

Students from both schools then unveiled the decade marker for the period 1982 – 1992 for presentation to the Board.

Trustees and senior administration thanked the staff and students for their enlightening and enjoyable presentations.

Presentation by Kevin Bergen, Thickwood Heights Public School

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, introduced Mr. Kevin Bergen, Principal, Thickwood Heights Public School. Mr. Bergen put forward a proposal for an arts-focused school program, to achieve creative, unique programming. It is anticipated this new focus will attract students. Part of the proposal included renaming the school to the Thickwood Heights School for the Arts.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, thanked Mr. Bergen for his passionate presentation. Trustee Drover felt there would be a huge benefit to the District if this initiative were to proceed, and Trustees Adams and Cooper shared his enthusiasm.

Trustee Mywaart wondered about public support. Mr. Bergen felt, through preliminary discussion, there was a significant amount of interest.

Trustees inquired about the costs that would be incurred and were advised there would be no or very minimal costs to achieve this change in focus, with perhaps only a shifting of staffing, and nominal costing for the new name to stationery should it be approved.

Superintendent Parsons indicated that if the Board approved this new focus for Thickwood Heights Public School, it would create a natural path for students to flow from Thickwood Elementary, onto McTavish Junior High and subsequently to Westwood Community High School.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, called for a motion.

20682 Approval – Amended Policy EEA Student Transportation Services Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the request for amendments to the transportation fees to reduce the transportation deficit. Discussion followed.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 2115 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees approve the proposed amendments to Policy EEA Transportation Fees, as attached, with the change in fees to be implemented ONLY if the Fort McMurray Catholic School Board approves the same increase in Transportation Fees.

Trustee Cooper put forward a request for information and asked Superintendent Parsons to discuss the possibility of undertaking a joint transportation study with the Catholic School District. Trustee Cooper suggested the study could be done over the next year to look at routes and efficiencies, and asked Superintendent Parsons bring back a response to the May 21st Board meeting.

20683 Trustee Drover declared a conflict of interest for the upcoming agenda item and was excused at 2132 hrs.

20684 Proposed Agreement with ATA Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed agreement with ATA. He provided relevant background information leading to this proposed agreement.

Considerable debate followed.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 2137 hrs.
M/C (majority vote with one opposed)

That the Board of Trustees accept the Minister's proposed agreement with the ATA as attached.

20685 Trustee Drover rejoined the meeting at 2200 hrs.

20686 Approval – Amended Policy HIBI Use of Electronic Devices in Schools Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal updated trustees and senior administration on the request for board approval of amended Policy HIBI.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2202 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees approve the proposed amendments to Policy HIBI Use of Electronic Devices in Schools.

20687 Approval – Amended Policy HIBH Acceptable Use of Information and Communication Technology Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal updated trustees and senior administration on proposed amendments to Policy HIBH.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2209 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees approve the proposed amendments to Policy HIBH Acceptable Use of Information and Communication Technology.



20688	Agreement for the Fort McMurray Public School District to Participate in the Elections with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo	<p>Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposal, based on past practice, to enter into an agreement with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo regarding the upcoming District's school board elections in the fall, 2013.</p> <p>Trustee Adams served motion at 2214 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees authorize the Associate Superintendent, Business & Finance, to enter into an agreement with the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo to conduct the Fort McMurray Public School Board elections in conjunction with the Municipal elections. This resolution directs the Municipality to be responsible for the Appointment of Officers and the conduct of the elections.</p>
20689	Trustee Items	<p>Trustee Adams updated trustees and senior administration that she would not be able to attend the upcoming Alberta School Councils Association Annual General Meeting scheduled on April 25 – 27, 2013 in Edmonton. Trustees were asked to check their schedules and advise Trustee Adams if they were able to attend.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart mentioned the Alberta School Boards Association information sessions, "Is school trusteeship for me, indicating there may be one scheduled to be held in Fort McMurray. Trustee Cooper requested this information be posted on the website, once a date has been set.</p>
20690	Correspondence	<p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on receipt of a letter dated March 26, 2013, from Dean Lindquist, Acting Deputy Minister, Alberta Education, regarding approval of a capital project for the District's new school, Walter & Gladys Hill.</p> <p>Superintendent Parsons indicated funding appears low and he has directed Mr. Kallal to investigate.</p>
20691	Business Arising	None
20692	Other Business	None
20693	Request for Information	Transportation study
20694	Future Agenda Items	TBD



20695 Adjourn

There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 2219 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Executive Board Room, 2013 04 13 at 1030 hrs.

Attendees:
Chair Jeff Thompson
Vice Chair Glenn Cooper
Trustee Linda Mywaart
Trustee Stephen Drover
Trustee Angela Adams
ASBA Consultant Leroy Sloan

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- 20642 Call to Order Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1030 hrs.
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- 20643 Approval of Agenda Trustee Cooper served motion at 1031 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.
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- 20644 Selection of
Superintendent/CEO Trustee Drover served motion at 1035 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees make an offer of employment for the position of Superintendent of Schools/CEO of Fort McMurray Public School District No. 2833 to candidate #Three (3), conditional on receipt of ministerial approval, mutual agreement on a contract of employment, and a criminal record check and a child intervention record check both satisfactory to the Board.
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- 20645 Negotiation of Contract Trustee Drover served motion at 1040 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees designate our Board Chair and Vice Chair to conclude the negotiation of the contract with the preferred candidate.
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- 20646 Adjournment Trustee Adams served motion at 1045 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees adjourn the Special Board Meeting.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



FORT McMURRAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS/CEO SEARCH

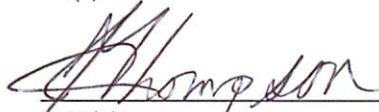
WAIVER OF NOTICE OF A
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to section 67(4) of the School Act, we hereby waive the notice requirements for the calling of a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees, which requirements are set out at section 67(1) to (3) of the School Act.


We agree that a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on [insert date], 2013, commencing at 10:30 AM, and held at the Board Office.

The nature of the business to be conducted at the Special Meeting is to discuss short-listed candidates, and to vote on the successful candidate for Superintendent/CEO of Fort McMurray Public Schools.

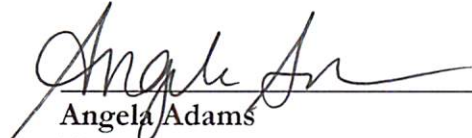
To authorize the chair + vice chair to work with the
This waiver of notice is hereby signed by all members of the Board of Trustees, pursuant to section 67(4) of the School Act.



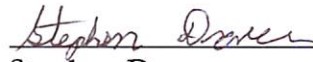
Jeff Thompson
Board Chair




Glenn Cooper
Deputy Chair



Angela Adams
Trustee



Stephen Drover
Trustee



Linda Mywaart
Trustee

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candidate.*



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 05 21.

Attendees:

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| Chair | - J. Thompson |
| Vice Chair | - G. Cooper |
| Trustee | - L. Mywaart |
| Trustee | - S. Drover (joined at 1700 hrs.) |
| Trustee | - A. Adams (joined at 2025 hrs. via telephone) |
| Superintendent | - D. Parsons |
| Associate Superintendent | - B. Sautner |
| - Education & Admin. | |
| Associate Superintendent | - A. Kallal |
| - Business & Finance | |
| Associate Superintendent | - P. Meagher (joined at 1434 hrs.) |
| - HR & Admin. | |
| Recording Secretary | - S. Dunn |

20696	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1404 hrs.
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20697	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None
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20698	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1404 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20699	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1404 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
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20700		Regrets: Trustee Mywaart at 1434 hrs. Joined: Associate Superintendent Phil Meagher at 1434 hrs.
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20701	Shop Talk	Deferred.
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20702		Joined: Trustee Mywaart by telephone at 1529 hrs.
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20703	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1530 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In Conference.
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20704	Additions to Agenda	1. May 15, 2013, letter received from the organizing committee of the Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards.
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20705 Approval of Agenda Trustee Cooper served motion at 1531 hrs.
M/C
That the agenda be approved.

20706 Regrets: Trustee Mywaart at 1532 hrs.

20707 Business Arising from the Minutes

1. CSBA Conference – Trustees and senior administration confirmed their attendance for this upcoming conference scheduled on July 3 – 7, 2013.
2. Thickwood Heights Name Change – Superintendent Parsons indicated this topic is on the Agenda.
3. Joint Transportation Study – Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees and senior administration on a proposed joint transportation study with the separate school district. Mr. Kallal indicated he would provide a report to the Board in September.
4. ASBA Information Session – Is School Trusteeship for Me” – Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration that the Fort McMurray Public School District is hosting this event on Monday, May 27, 2013, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Mr. Thompson indicated he would attend on behalf of the Board.
5. Capital Project for Walter & Gladys Hill Public School – Superintendent Dennis Parsons called upon Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, to update trustees and senior administration on the findings of his investigation into funding. Mr. Kallal indicated a committee has been formed to look into this matter, with an anticipated report of their findings to be available to the Board in September.
6. Thank you letter to Minister Johnson regarding the new school announcement – The letter was prepared and shared with trustees and senior administration, and subsequently signed by Board Chair, Jeff Thompson.

20708 Superintendent's Report Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the highlights of his operational report, including the Minister of Education's decision to legislate the Framework Agreement. He mentioned Mr. Meagher's attendance at the Council for School Leadership ceremony held in Edmonton last week, where Principals Annalee Nutter and Roxanne Fudge each received Distinguished Leadership Awards. Superintendent Parsons spoke about the upcoming Excellence in Teaching Awards scheduled on May 25th in Edmonton, with Trustee Angela Adams and Superintendent Dennis Parsons representing the District.

Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on various other events and District initiatives administrative staff have attended or been involved with, including the recent Nexus North meeting, Regional Collaborative Service Delivery, and High School Completion.

Superintendent Parsons also mentioned the appointment of the new Edge Director, Mr. Mike Carlsen, and indicated that the Partnership Facilitator position has been re-advertised but not yet filled.

20709 Enrollment Trustees agreed, based on the recent new school announcement, that this topic can now be shelved.



20710	Trustee Engagement	Trustee engagement since the March 18, 2013, Board Meeting, includes: April 23 – poetry reading with Grade 1 class at Timberlea School April 24 – Arts and Culture night at Fort McMurray Christian School April 26 – ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting in Edmonton April 26 & 27 – Alberta School Councils Association Annual General Meeting April 29 – facility announcement by Ministers’ Johnson & Drysdale at MacDonald Island Park
20711	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	Trustee Cooper updated trustees and senior administration on a new on-line survey put forward by the Public School Boards Association. Trustees agreed the survey will be completed during the June in-conference meeting.
20712	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	Trustee Mywaart had provided a written report.
20713	Graduation Ceremonies	Chair, Jeff Thompson, reviewed the schedule for upcoming high school graduation ceremonies. Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, will attend Frank Spragins and Composite High School graduation ceremonies. Trustee Linda Mywaart will attend Westwood High School’s graduation ceremony.
20714	Committee of the Whole & Board Meeting Dates, 2013 - 2014	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the proposed Board meeting schedule for 2013 – 2014. Discussion followed and trustees agreed to defer this topic to the June Board meeting for further discussion and decision.
20715	Wellness Alberta	Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of an email requesting support for a Wellness Foundation in Alberta. Discussion followed. Trustees agreed further information was required before making any decision, and requested Superintendent Parsons explore this further with a report brought back to the Board in June.
20716	Review of Public Agenda	Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.
20717	May 15, 2013 Letter from Organizing Committee, Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards	Chair, Jeff Thompson, reviewed the letter received from the Organizing Committee of the Regional Aboriginal Recognition Awards. Discussion followed.
20718		Joined – Trustee Mywaart at 1705 hrs.
20719	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1704 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Conference meeting and proceed to In Camera.

20720		1704 hrs. – Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, excused senior administration and the Recording Secretary.
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20721	Out of In -Camera	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1800 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and recess until 1900 hrs.
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20722		Joined: Trustee Drover at 1910 hrs.
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20723	Convene Regular Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1911 hrs. Other attendees: Full audience Media: 2
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20724	O Canada	Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
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20725	Moment of Silence	The national anthem was followed by a moment of silence for the students who lost their lives when a tornado ripped through their town of Moore, Oklahoma.
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20726	Question Period	There were no questions.
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20727	Additions to Agenda	1. Thickwood Heights Name Change Request 2. Announcement of New Superintendent of Schools for Fort McMurray Public
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20728	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1916 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20729	Announcement of Superintendent of Schools	Chair, Jeff Thompson, announced the new Superintendent for the Fort McMurray Public School District will be Mr. Douglas Nicholls. Mr. Thompson read a press release providing some brief background information on Mr. Nicholls.
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Spotlight on Education

Presentation by Westwood Robotics Team

Associate Superintendent, Brenda Sautner, introduced Westwood teacher, Mr. Brian Vaughan, and updated trustees and senior administration on the competitions Westwood robotics students participated in and listed the scholarships awarded to them.

Mr. Vaughan played several videos from tournaments the students participated in. He explained the projects are student driven, entirely on their own time. The students have competed locally, provincially, nationally and internationally with huge success.

Trustees expressed their congratulations and admiration to the staff and students who are a part of the Westwood Robotics program.

Timberlea Public School & Decade Marker Presentation

Dr. Sautner introduced Timberlea Principal Rick Thorne, and Vice Principal Meipsy Shackelford. Mr. Thorne introduced his school choir consisting of Grades 3 and 4 students.

Students delighted trustees and senior administration with a song they had written to introduce the decade marker for the period 1992 – 2002. The students then unveiled the marker for presentation to the Board.

Teacher, Karla Swansburg, mentioned choir is an after-school program offered to Timberlea students. The students explained why they like choir and what it means to them.

The students then delighted trustees and senior administration with a Journey song, Don't Stop Believing. They ended their spotlight on education segment with a drum song.

Trustees and senior administration thanked the staff and students for their creativity in writing the song for the decade marker presentation and asked for a copy of the words. They also expressed appreciation for this wonderful after-school program.

Presentation by MLA Mike Allen

MLA Mike Allen congratulated Chair Jeff Thompson on the successes of the Robotics team. He presented a cheque to Mr. Thompson in the amount of \$25,000 to go towards the costs incurred for the District's 100th Anniversary book.

Board Chair thanked MLA Mike Allen on behalf of the Board and expressed sincere appreciation on behalf of the District.

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Joined – Trustee Adams at 2025 p.m. via telephone.



20732 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration the upcoming prestigious Fringe Festival in Scotland that will be attended for the second time by Westwood students. He recognized Principals Annalee Nutter, who was in attendance at the meeting, and Roxanne Fudge, recipients of Distinguished Leadership Awards. Superintendent Parsons also mentioned two teaching staff, Diane Rizzuto and Kitty (Kathleen) Cochrane who received Excellence in Teaching Awards. He indicated these four individuals will be formally recognized at the upcoming District Staff Recognition Banquet scheduled on Thursday, May 23rd.

Superintendent Parsons also spoke to changes in the field of Education, i.e. replacement of existing Provincial Achievement Tests, on-line Diploma exams, and the flex approach to high school learning.

Superintendent Parsons confirmed the recent announcement of a new school for the Fort McMurray Public School District.

20733 Thickwood Heights
School Designation

Superintendent Parsons, updated trustees and senior administration on a request he received from Thickwood Heights Public School Principal, Kevin Bergen, to change the school name. Mr. Parsons indicated this request was reviewed twice by the Naming Committee. Parent surveys were conducted and research to support Mr. Bergen's request had been undertaken.

Trustee Adams felt the proposed renaming of Thickwood Heights Public School was a very positive step.

2050 hrs. – Chair, Jeff Thompson, turned the Chair over to Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper.

Trustee, Jeff Thompson, spoke to the motion. He indicated that, as a member of the Naming Committee, he had not voted in favor of this motion. However, after the discussion here tonight, Mr. Thompson indicated he now understood and recognized the motion was a better approach and he could now support it as presented. He felt this would give the Board more time to better understand the implications.

2053 hrs. – Trustee Jeff Thompson resumed the Chair.

Trustee Mywaart spoke in favor of the motion, indicating she felt the new proposed name was "all-inclusive", while the original name change might be viewed as "exclusive". Mrs. Mywaart also agreed that it would allow more time for the Board to understand the implications.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2043 hrs.

M/C

Given that Thickwood Heights School is first and foremost a community school, and given the suggested name change may create community expectations that are not supportable by the Board, the action recommended is that the Board of Trustees proceed with a change to the school name tag-line: *Thickwood Heights Public School – Where the Arts Come Alive.*

20734 Continuation of
Superintendent of
Schools Report

Superintendent Parsons concluded his report by thanking staff and trustees who participated in the Naming Committee.

20735	BHD Board Member Compensation & Expenses	<p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Superintendent Parsons, to speak to this action item. Superintendent Parsons provided background information and then indicated a motion would need to be brought forward from the floor. Mr. Parsons also indicated if trustees did not provide any direction in the form of a motion from the floor, then policy BHD Board Member Compensation & Expenses would take effect.</p> <p>Trustee Drover served motion at 2102 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees take a zero (0) increase in trustee's remuneration for the fiscal year March 2013 to March 2014.</p>
20736	Approval – Locally Acquired Courses	<p>Superintendent Parsons called upon Brenda Sautner to speak to the action item brought forward.</p> <p>Trustee Cooper served motion at 2110 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees approve the list of locally acquired courses, as provided.</p>
20737	Approval – Locally Developed Course	<p>Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Brenda Sautner to speak to the action item brought forward.</p> <p>Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2115 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees approve the locally developed course, as provided.</p>
20738	Approval-in-Principle – Westwood High School Students Travel to Germany & Czech Republic, Spring Break 2014	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the request for approval-in-principle for Westwood Community High School students travel to Germany & the Czech Republic during Spring Break 2014.</p> <p>Trustee Drover served motion at 2117 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees give approval-in-principle for Westwood Community High School students travel to Germany and the Czech Republic, Spring Break 2014.</p>
20739	Trustee Items	<p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the upcoming ASBA information session, "Is school trusteeship for you", scheduled to be held on May 27th from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Clearwater Public Education Centre.</p>
20740	Correspondence	<p>9.1 Excellence in Teaching Awards – this information was included in the Superintendent's Report. 9.2 May 7, 2013 Letter from Michael Walter, Acting DM re appointment of Superintendent – Chair, Jeff Thompson, announced the new Superintendent at the beginning of the meeting.</p>
20741	Business Arising	None
20742	Other Business	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration that the Minutes of the previous Board and Committee of the Whole meetings had not been approved during the In-Conference meeting held earlier.</p>

20743 Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2013 04 15
Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2122 hrs.
M/C
That the Minutes of 2013 04 15 In-Camera, In-Conference & Regular Board Meeting be approved.

20744 Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting 2013 05 06
Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2123 hrs.
M/C
That the Minutes of 2013 05 06 Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.

20745 Request for Information None

20746 Future Agenda Items To be determined.

20747 Adjourn
There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 2125 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER



Minutes of the In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Fort McMurray Public School District, held in the Main Board Room, Clearwater Public Education Centre, 2013 06 17.

Attendees:

Chair	- J. Thompson
Vice Chair	- G. Cooper (joined via telephone at 1420 hrs.)
Trustee	- L. Mywaart
Trustee	- S. Drover (joined at 1900 hrs.)
Trustee	- A. Adams
Superintendent	- D. Parsons
Associate Superintendent - Education & Admin.	- B. Sautner (joined at 1441 hrs.)
Associate Superintendent - Business & Finance	- A. Kallal (joined at 1412 hrs.)
Associate Superintendent - HR & Admin.	- P. Meagher (joined at 1412 hrs.)
Recording Secretary	- S. Dunn

20748	Call to Order	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order at 1410 hrs.
20749	Additions to the In-Camera Agenda	None.
20750	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Adams served motion at 1410 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
20751	In-Camera Meeting	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1411 hrs. M/C That the meeting proceed to the in-camera meeting.
20752		Joined - Allan Kallal and Phil Meagher at 1412 hrs. Joined - Trustee Cooper at 1420 hrs. Joined - Brenda Sautner at 1441 hrs.
20753	Shop Talk	Deferred.
20754	Out of In-Camera	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1446 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Camera meeting and proceed to In Conference.
20755	Additions to Agenda	1. 4.12 Education Property Taxes 2. 4.13 Alberta School Boards Association 2013 Premier's Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence 3. 4.14 ASBA's Legal Opinion Regarding Revised Board Policy Handbook

20756	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1450 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.
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20757	Minutes – In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting 2013 05 21	Trustee Mywaart served motion at 1450 hrs. M/C That the Minutes of 2013 05 21 In-Camera, In-Conference and Regular Meeting be approved, as amended.
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20758		Regrets: Phil Meagher at 1452 hrs. Joined: Phil Meagher at 1455 hrs.
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20759	Business Arising from the Minutes	1. Public School Boards Association (PSBA) On-Line Survey 2. Committee of the Whole & Board Meeting Dates 3. Wellness Alberta
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20760	Public School Boards Association On-Line Survey	Trustees reviewed and provided feedback in answer to questions #1 and #2 on page 1 of the on-line survey.
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20761		Regrets: Chair Thompson at 1517 hrs. Vice Chair, Glenn Cooper, assumed the Chair at 1518 hrs.
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20762	Public School Boards Association On-Line Survey (continued)	Trustees continued with their review of the questions on the PSBA On-line Survey and provided feedback to question #4.
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20763		Regrets: Brenda Sautner at 1530 hrs.
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20764	Public School Boards Association On-Line Survey (continued)	Trustees continued to complete the PSBA on-line survey and provided feedback to question #6.
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20765		Joined: Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, at 1540 hrs. Regrets: Superintendent Parsons at 1541 hrs. Joined: Superintendent Parsons at 1543 hrs. Regrets: Trustee Adams at 1543 hrs.
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20766	Public School Boards Association On-Line Survey (continued)	Due to time constraints, trustees agreed to individually review the on-line survey and provide their feedback via email to Trustee Cooper for compilation and submission to PSBA.
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20767		Joined: Trustee Adams and Brenda Sautner at 1556 hrs.
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20768	Committee of the Whole and Board Meeting Dates	Committee of the Whole and Board Meeting Dates – Trustees reviewed previous meeting attendance records in preparation for the discussion and action item that will be put forward during the Regular Board Meeting scheduled to commence at 1900 hrs.
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20769	Wellness Alberta	Wellness Alberta – Superintendent Parsons indicated he had completed his research of the Wellness Alberta initiative and recommended the Board of Trustees not support their request for District endorsement.
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20770	Superintendent's Report	Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the highlights of his report, including the recent flooding situation in Fort McMurray, and the current technology proposal and business plan.
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20771		Regrets: Phil Meagher at 1610 hrs. Joined: Phil Meagher at 1612 hrs.
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20772	Superintendent's Report (continued)	Trustees discussed the technology proposal. Superintendent Parsons completed his report to the Board, including an update on budget, emergency response planning, the Composite High School Awards Banquet, and the Edge program for fall 2013.
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20773	Graduation Ceremonies	Chair, Jeff Thompson, re-confirmed trustee attendance at the three upcoming graduation ceremonies.
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20774	Trustee Engagement	Trustee engagement since the May 21, 2013, Board Meeting, includes: May 23 Annual Staff Recognition Dinner May 24 ASBA zone 2/3—Edmonton May 25 Westwood Big Band Dance and Dinner May 31 – June 2 PSBA Spring General Meeting – Red Deer June 3 & 4 ASBA Spring General Meeting - Red Deer June 10 ATA Negotiations June 13 Composite High School Athletic Banquet June 14 IGPR Teleconference call June 14 Roots of Empathy 10 th Anniversary Celebration June 14 Quad High Art Show – Keyano College
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20775	Public School Boards Association (PSBA)	Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on his attendance at the PSBA Spring General Meeting in Red Deer. Mr. Thompson indicated the presentations were excellent in terms of professional development.
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20776	Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	<p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, updated trustees and senior administration on the ASBA Information Session held in Fort McMurray on May 27th – “Is School Trusteeship for You?” that he co-hosted with ASBA lawyer Grace Cooke.</p> <p>Trustee, Linda Mywaart, updated trustees and senior administration on her attendance at the ASBA Spring General Meeting. Both she and Chair, Jeff Thompson, felt the business meeting was very productive and well run. Trustees requested Superintendent Parsons draft a letter to ASBA suggesting the process that should be utilized for obtaining feedback to informational-type questions.</p> <p>Trustees reviewed a letter from the Calgary Board of Education regarding ASBA fees. A brief discussion followed.</p>
20777	Election of Vice Chair	<p>Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated Trustee Cooper has tendered his resignation, effective the end of his term.</p> <p>Trustees agreed the election of a Vice Chair will be added to the Regular Board meeting agenda.</p>
20778	Public Interest Disclosure Act (Whistleblower Protection)	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration that he was not able to attend the information session in Edmonton scheduled on Wednesday, June 5, 2013.</p> <p>Trustees and senior administration reviewed the June 4, 2013, letter regarding the designated Chief Officer for the Fort McMurray Public School District. This designation will be confirmed by Superintendent Parsons.</p>
20779	Education Property Taxes	<p>Trustee Mywaart updated trustees and senior administration on the information received from the Municipality of Wood Buffalo regarding education property taxes. Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated he will bring this topic up with local MLA's over the summer.</p>
20780	ASBA 2013 Premier's Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the 2013 Premier's Award for School Board Innovation and Excellence, indicating the deadline for applications is September 27, 2013. Dr. Sautner proposed the District submit the Regional Collaborative Service Delivery model that is being implemented this fall.</p>
20781	ASBA's Legal Opinion Regarding Revisions to the Board Policy Handbook	<p>Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on his receipt of a letter from ASBA dated June 14, 2013, following their legal department's review of the Board Policy Handbook.</p>
20782		<p>Regrets: Allan Kallal at 1709 hrs.</p>
20783	Review of Public Agenda	<p>Trustees reviewed the public agenda in preparation for the Regular Board meeting.</p>

20784	Out of In-Conference	Trustee Cooper served motion at 1711 hrs. M/C That the Board of Trustees move out of the In-Conference meeting and recess until 1900 hrs.
20785		Joined: Trustee Stephen Drover and Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal at 1900 hrs.
20786	Convene Regular Meeting	Chair, Jeff Thompson, called the meeting to order M/C That the Board of Trustees reconvene the Regular Meeting at 1900 hrs. Other attendees: Full audience Media: 2
20787	O Canada	Chair, Jeff Thompson, welcomed everyone present and invited them to stand for the national anthem.
20788	Question Period	There were no questions.
20789	Introduction of New Superintendent	Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, introduced the new Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Doug Nicholls.
20790	Additions to Agenda	1. 7.11 Appointment of Vice Chair 2. 9.6 Letter received from Heritage Park regarding National Aboriginal Day 2013
20791	Approval of Agenda	Trustee Drover served motion at 1905 hrs. M/C That the agenda be approved.

Spotlight on Education

Presentation by
Composite High School

Associate Superintendent, Phil Meagher, introduced Composite High School Principal Mr. Graham Abbott, Vice Principal Denise Morris, and teacher Kevin Verberk.

Mr. Abbott's presentation was based on the Positive Behaviour Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program implemented last year at Composite High School. Mr. Abbott indicated the program has been very well received by staff and students. Mr. Verberk described the tiers of intervention, and provided examples. Ms. Morris explained the school's initiatives and Mr. Verberk mentioned a buy-in survey was conducted with a very favorable response to continue the initiative during the upcoming school year.

Mr. Verberk introduced student, Fatima Dhooma, who described why the program was important to her. Student, Tyler Walsh and his father were also introduced and both spoke about the benefits they received as a family by participating in the program.

Trustee Adams thought the program was very exciting and felt it would certainly benefit students and their families.

Composite High School
Decade Marker
Presentation

Ms. Morris read a poem to introduce the decade marker and two students unveiled the decade marker for presentation to the Board.

Trustees and senior administration thanked the staff and students for their presentation.

Art 30 Award

Mr. Meagher called upon Myrna Matheson to introduce the Art 30 Award. Ms. Matheson announced the Art 30 Award winner - Francis Blanchard from Composite High School. Ms. Blanchard was asked to say a few words regarding her artwork.

Mr. Thompson thanked Ms. Blanchard and presented her with a cheque as payment for the artwork, as well as the Art 30 Award certificate.

Presentation to Google
Science Fair North
American Regional
Finalist

Mr. Meagher introduced Westwood Principal Jessica Roy, and Science Teacher Vicki Dawe. Ms. Dawe indicated it was her incredible honour to introduce Westwood student, Ms. Anam Rizvi. Ms. Dawe spoke about Anam's accomplishments, including Captain of the Robotics Club, Silver medal winner at the Wood Buffalo Regional Science Fair, and recently one of four Canadians selected for the Google Science Fair 2013 in Mountainview, CA.

Board Chair, Jeff Thompson, presented Anam with an Award of Excellence who, in turn, thanked the Board for the educational opportunities and support she has received.

20793 Superintendent of
Schools Report

Superintendent, Dennis Parsons, stated this was his last report to the Board, as well as the final decade marker presentation in celebration of the District's 100th Anniversary.

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the District's new direction with regard to technology. He called upon Associate Superintendent Allan Kallal to provide the rationale for the new approach. Mr. Kallal indicated the anticipated savings to the District over the next five-year period by implementation of this new technology approach has been estimated at \$2.7 M.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, opened the floor for questions and comments. Trustee Adams was in favor of in-house IT. Trustee Adams inquired as to whether or not terminating the existing contract would cost the District money and Mr. Kallal stated it would not.

Trustee Cooper wondered if the transition plan for December was too ambitious. Mr. Kallal indicated IT staff would be hired in September and felt the implementation date could be met.

Trustee Mywaart inquired how this new direction would impact and benefit our students. Mr. Kallal indicated, as part of this new direction, computers would be evergreened every three years. He also stated that, by having staff in-house, there would be better response time to address any issues that might arise on a day-to-day basis.

Trustee Cooper felt everyone would be in favor of better support services and dollar savings. He felt there was a tremendous amount of planning and support required, and also wondered if there was need for a motion or just an indication of Board support.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, advised trustees that they could simply endorse the plan or put a motion on the floor, stating that either way would no doubt satisfy the intent by the Superintendent.

Trustee Adams indicated that, for 9 years as a trustee, her role was governance. She did not feel it appropriate at this point to change the role of the Board and indicated she did not feel comfortable in making a motion. She felt it is very clear that trustees were in support of this new IT direction.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, confirmed the Board's acceptance of the proposal and support for the new approach for in-house IT.

Superintendent Parsons returned to highlighting the key items in his report, including a letter that went home to parents of students enrolled in Greely Road Public School and Fort McMurray Islamic School regarding the Grades 7 and 8 integration model for the upcoming school year 2013 – 2014.

Trustee Mywaart thanked staff for their dedication and hard work in going forward with the integration model for Grades 7 and 8 at Greely Road Public School and Fort McMurray Islamic School and felt that this was a good step in the right direction for "doing what's best for kids".

Superintendent Parsons introduced Dr. Sautner to speak to the Regional Collaborative Service Delivery initiative, which is anticipated to be implemented in September 2013. Dr. Sautner indicated regional signing of the agreement is scheduled for June 18th. She outlined the focus of this collaborative effort between Education, Health and Human Services to support students.

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| 20794 | Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Recognition Award of Innovation and Excellence | Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2107 hrs.
M/C
That pending final approval of the framework for the Regional Collaborative Service Delivery model, Fort McMurray Public School District submit this initiative to ASBA for the ASBA Recognition Award for Innovation and Excellence. |
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| 20795 | Superintendent of Schools Report (continued) | <p>Superintendent Parsons also updated trustees and senior administration on the Edge Program and their new Director, Mike Carlsen. Trustee Adams requested presentations on the Edge Program be made to School Councils and Superintendent Parsons indicated he would advise Mr. Carlsen.</p> <p>Superintendent Parsons called upon Mr. Kallal to provide a budget update. Superintendent Parsons also spoke about the new school – Christina Gordon Elementary – scheduled to open in 2016.</p> <p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked if trustees had any questions. Trustee Mywaart asked about expense reporting, and Superintendent Parsons indicated this item would be covered in an upcoming Action item.</p> |
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| 20796 | Approve Board Policy Handbook Revised June 2013 | <p>Chair, Jeff Thompson, called upon Superintendent Parsons, to speak to this action item. Superintendent Parsons indicated a letter was received from the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Legal Department dated June 14, 2013, outlining a number of concerns.</p> <p>Trustee Adams served motion at 2102 hrs.
M/C
That the Board of Trustees table this topic and all of the subsequent policies in support of the new Policy Handbook until September to allow trustees to thoroughly review the contents of the ASBA Legal review and suggested revisions.</p> |
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| 20797 | | Regrets: Trustee Drover at 2136 hrs. |
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| 20798 | Approve Amended Policies BHD, BCE, BCEG & GCBC | <p>Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, spoke to the amendments to Policies BHD, BCE, BCEG and GCBC.</p> <p>Trustee Cooper served motion at 2137 hrs.
M/C, with abstention of Trustee Drover
That the Board of Trustees approve Policies BHD, BCE, BCEG and GCBC, as amended.</p> |
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| 20799 | | Joined: Trustee Drover at 2138 hrs. |
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20800 Approve Amended
Policy GCPC
Retirement of
Professional Staff
Members

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration on the amendments suggested to Policy GCPC indicating it has not been amended since 1981.

Trustee Adams requested more information on what other Districts are doing.

Trustee Drover served motion at 2142 hrs.

M/C as amended

That the Board of Trustees table the amendments to Policy GCPC Retirement of Professional Staff Members until September pending further review.

20801 Approve Amended
Policy HIBD School
Libraries

Associate Superintendent, Allan Kallal, updated trustees and senior administration that this Policy was reviewed by the Library Committee with several amendments suggested.

Trustee Mywaart indicated there were some grammatical errors. Chair, Jeff Thompson, noted the policy talked about printed and digital formats, but there was no mention of respecting copyrights. Mr. Kallal felt this was covered in the cross reference section; however, Mr. Thompson felt it should be captured in the policy itself.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2148 hrs.

M/C as amended

That the Board of Trustees table the approval of Policy HIBD School Libraries pending research into whether or not information regarding copyrights for students should be included in the policy itself.

20802 Approve Board Meeting
Dates & Times – 2013 –
2014 School Year

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the options presented for Board Meeting dates and times for the upcoming school year 2013 – 2014.

Trustee Mywaart indicated Option #3 had several scheduling conflicts with conferences the Board attends.

Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration regarding the Committee of the Whole meetings and the Board's determination that these meetings would be eliminated based on the outcomes of their two previous Board retreats.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, cautioned it might be wise to wait until after the elections in the fall for the Board to determine their meeting schedule, suggesting perhaps two Board meetings a month.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2200 hrs.

M/C as amended

That the Board of Trustees approve 2013 – 2014 Board meeting dates as follows: Committee of the Whole meetings will be scheduled on the 1st Monday of the month and Board meetings scheduled on the 3rd Monday of the month. The Regular Board meetings will commence at 7:00 p.m. This schedule will remain in effect until after the elections in the fall and the Board will review and determine future meeting dates at the first Board meeting following elections. Only the September and October meetings are to be published in the calendar, pending the Board's review.

20803 **Priorities for Funding** Superintendent Parsons updated trustees and senior administration on the Board's request for a prioritized list of funding priorities, stating the list is now being presented to the Board.

Discussion and debate followed.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2226 hrs.
M/Withdrawn

That the Board of Trustees not fund any of these priorities from the sale of land and/or from reserves.

Trustee Mywaart served motion at 2236 hrs.
M/Withdrawn

That the Board of Trustees review the prioritized list of items and consider funding one or more from the proceeds from sale of land and/or from reserves.

Trustee Adams served motion at 2243 hrs.
M/C

That the Board of Trustees receive as information for future consideration the prioritized list of items for funding as presented by the Superintendent.

20804 **Election of Vice Chair** Chair, Jeff Thompson, indicated the Vice Chair position is now vacant and will need to be filled.

Trustee Cooper served motion at 2246 hrs.
M/C

That Linda Mywaart be appointed to the Vice Chair position until the end of the term.

20805 **Trustee Items** None

20806 **Correspondence** Chair, Jeff Thompson, asked trustees to review the correspondence received.

20807 **Business Arising** None

20808 **Other Business** Trustee Mywaart requested trustees review the agenda provided for the upcoming ASBA Zone 2/3 meeting and provide her with any feedback.

Chair, Jeff Thompson, thanked Superintendent Parsons for his service to the Fort McMurray Public School District over the past 5 years and expressed the Board's deepest appreciation for all of the work done on the District's behalf.

20809 **Request for Information** None

20810 **Future Agenda Items** To be determined.

20811 Adjourn

There being no further business, Chair, Jeff Thompson, adjourned the meeting at 2252 hrs.


BOARD CHAIR


SECRETARY-TREASURER
