



Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of
Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

Meeting Number 5

December 20, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

Education Services Center, Edson, AB

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TRUSTEE ATTENDANCE:

M. Bobilek	Present
S. Caputo, Vice-Chair	Present
F. Fowler	Present
D. Karpluk, Chair	Present
J. Mines	Present
Y. Oshanyk	Present
J. Pettitt	Present

ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE:

C. Lewis, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Harding, Assistant Superintendent – Division Supports
C. Aschenmeier, Assistant Superintendent – Division Supports
J. Bouchard, Assistant Superintendent – Division Supports
J. Lin, Secretary-Treasurer
B. Kudinga, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer
J. Kendrick, Manager of Facilities and OH&S
C. Van Neck, Director of Transportation
N. Gilks, Special Projects Manager
M. Auriat, Director of Human Resources
A. Corser, Teacher Consultant
K. Brook, Executive Assistant
L. Lee, Director of Information Technology
K. Gilks, Teacher Consultant

DELEGATIONS PRESENT:

School Administration/Staff/Students: Steven Ripkens, Mark Crozier, Tio Bohn

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Karpluk called the meeting to order at 1011 hours.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Welcome to Jun Lin our new Secretary-Treasurer and Joey Bouchard our new Assistant Superintendent.
Thank you to everyone in our Division for your commitment to the Board Priorities.
We wish everyone a restful and joyous Christmas Break!

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

2023-129

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board approve the agenda.

Carried

2023-130

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Trustee Karpluk moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Public Board Meeting of November 22, 2023.

Carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

DELEGATION / PRESENTATION

Principal Crozier, Jasper Junior/Senior High School: Engaging Jasper Community in Sustaining French Immersion Programming

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Principal Steven Ripkens, École Pine Grove Middle School Drama Students

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

None.

ACTION ITEMS

2023-131

**Edson and District Community Learning Support Letter:
Settlement Worker in School Programs**

Trustee Pettitt moved that the Board of Trustees moves to direct administration to send a letter of support on behalf of Edson and District Community Learning Society for their grant renewal application to the *Settlement Workers Schools Program*.

Carried

2023-132

National School Boards Association Annual Conference 2024

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board of Trustees approve trustee attendance at the *National School Boards Association's (NSBA) Annual Conference and Exposition* to be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, April 6th – 8th, 2024, including, as relevant, attendance at the NSBA Rural Education Summit as a preconference workshop on April 5th.

Carried

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Identify which Trustees would like to Attend NSBA

Trustee Bobilek moved that Trustees Pettitt, Mines, Karpluk, Fowler, Oshanyk, and Bobilek attend the National School Boards Association's (NSBA) Annual Conference and Exposition.

Carried

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Chair Karpluk Shared:

- January 30, 2024: Meetings with MLA Long and MLA Getson
- Niton Community Engagement: January 30, 2024
- Staff Appreciation: Trustee Cookie Delivery in January

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Lewis reported on all the activities she has been leading since the last Public Board meeting on November 22, 2023.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Division Operations: Department Updates

The Board received a presentation from all department heads on the work that was carried out since the last Public Board Meeting on November 22, 2023.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Connections to Board Governance Work Plan Calendar

No Report.

Board Policy Committee

Meeting in January.

Recognition of Employees Committee

Meeting in the Early Spring.

Board Planning Seminar Committee

Held a Governance Workshop with Mr. Smeaton.

Board Negotiations Committee

No Report.

Board Representatives

- **PSBAA – Work Plan Update**
 - No Report.
- **ASBA Zone 2/3**
 - No Report.

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FUTURE BUSINESS

Meeting Dates

Board – Open to Public

January 31, 2024 Public Board Meeting (10:00 a.m.)

Committees – Closed to Public

January 31, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting (9:00 a.m.)

Notice of Motion

5 Day Kindergarten across the division.

Future Agenda Items

None.

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ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Caputo moved for adjournment at 1315 hours.

Carried

X *Dale Karpluk*
Dale Karpluk (Feb 1, 2024 16:14 MST)

Dale Karpluk
Board Chair

X *Jun Lin*
Jun Lin (Feb 1, 2024 16:31 MST)

Jun Lin
Secretary-Treasurer