
IN ATTENDANCE:

Trustees: Mich Forster; Donna Hunt; Tyler Demers; Jan Foster; Keith Fowler; Don Lacey; Lola Major

Administrators: Cheryl Gilmore; Morag Asquith; Don Lussier; Sharon Mezei; LeeAnne Tedder (Recorder)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

Jackie Lovell and Terry Belisle from RBC presented a cheque for $5,000 to be used for our GSA Conference. RBC is very committed to a diverse work force.

1. Approval of Agenda
   Trustee Keith Fowler moved: “that the agenda be approved as amended.”
   CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting
   Trustee Jan Foster moved: “that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 24, 2017 be approved and signed by the Chair.”
   CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Business Arising from the Minutes
   There was no business arising from the previous minutes.

4. Presentations
   4.1 Edwin Parr Nomination
   On an annual basis, each school jurisdiction is invited to submit the name of one first year teacher as its nomination for the Edwin Parr Award, which is sponsored by the Alberta School Boards Association. Nominees from Zone 6 jurisdictions will be recognized at the May 10, 2017 Zone 6 ASBA meeting in Taber. One nominee from the zone will then be selected as the zone nominee for the Fall General Meeting of the ASBA.

   Lethbridge School District No. 51 2017 Edwin Parr Nominee is Brittney Petkau who teaches at Mike Mountain Horse School. Brittney, accompanied by Mike Mountain Horse Principal Erin Hurkett attended
the meeting. Both Erin and Brittney had the opportunity to address the Board at the meeting.

5. Action Items

5.1 Policy Review
The policies listed below were reviewed by the Policy Advisory Committee. Subsequently, the policies were distributed to school and District administration, staffs and school councils for input.

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Teresa Loewen was in attendance to provide the Board with an overview of the policies, share any feedback that had been received and responded to questions of the trustees.

Trustee Lola Major moved:
“that the Board approve Policy 202.1 Trustee Code of Conduct as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved:
“that the Board approve Policy 207 Campaign Contributions and Campaign Expense Discloser as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved:
“that the Board approve Policy 301.3 Evaluation Process for the Superintendent as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Trustee Lola Major moved: “that the Board approve Policy 403.3 Employee Discipline as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved: “that the Board approve Policy 505.9 Appeals as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved: “that the Board approve Policy 600.1 Guiding Principles for Educational Programming as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved: “that the Board approve Policy 600.1.2 Annual School Budgets as amended.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Lola Major moved: “that the Board approve that Policy 605.4 Inclusive Learning Supports – Placement Appeal to be deleted from policy.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.2 Returning Officer for School Board Election
A signed agreement between the City of Lethbridge and Lethbridge School District No. 51 completed in January 2013 has the City of Lethbridge conducting School Board Elections. Under the agreement, the Board of Trustees of Lethbridge School District No. 51 is required to appoint the City Returning Officer as the Returning Officer for the School Board. This has been the practice for all school board elections conducted by the City of Lethbridge on our behalf.

Trustee Keith Fowler moved: “that the Board appoint the City’s Returning Officer as the Returning Officer for the purpose of the 2017 School Board Trustee Election.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
5.3 Memorandum of Agreement with CUPE 290
The Board’s CUPE 290 Negotiating Committee met on a number of occasions with CUPE 290 in 2016 and 2017. On February 6, 2017 a Memorandum of Agreement was reached between both parties.

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:
"that the Board of Trustees approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Board of Trustees of Lethbridge School District No. 51 and CUPE Local No. 290, which is for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 years."

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Public Forum

6. District Highlights
Keith Fowler commended parents, staff and students who participated at Town Hall and looks forward to putting those items into planning for next year.

Donna Hunt commented that the word on the street is that the Scholarship Breakfast was a wonderful success.

Mich Forster acknowledged the Scholarship Breakfast committee members, accolades to the students who attended, LCI Jazz Band, as well as students with displays. He suggested that the Board make real effort to get more students to the breakfast next year.

Jan Foster shared that Ken Rogers thanked the Board for their contribution for their band program. The students really enjoyed coming to such a formal affair.

Don Lacey suggested we invite the band members to sit for breakfast next year.

Tyler Demers noted that the Southland International Off campus Experiential Learning event was very good. They are great supporters of students in our district.

Don Lacey thanked the Chamber of Commerce for their support of our events.
7. Information Items

7.1 Board Chair Report

7.1.1 Breakfast with the Board – March 8, 2017 – Attwell Building
Breakfast with the Board has been scheduled at the Attwell Building on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 from 8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

7.1.2 Trip to China Report
Trustee Donna Hunt, travelled to Anyang, China with a group of two dozen representative from Lethbridge County, the University of Lethbridge, Lethbridge College, Holy Spirit Catholic School Division No. 4, SouthGrow Regional Initiative, the Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden, the City of Lethbridge, and area businesses.

Trustee Donna Hunt reported on her China trip. She confirmed 15 – 20 students from Anyang will be attending our International Student summer camp as well as students coming from Japan to attend Wilson Middle School in 2018.

The Board thanked Donna for representing the school district.

7.2 Superintendent Report

7.2.1 Donations and Support
Lethbridge School District No. 51 is fortunate to be in a community that strongly supports programs and services for students. The District is appreciative of the difference the support makes to the lives of children. These partnerships and support further the efforts of helping children come to school ready to learn, providing opportunities for engagement, and facilitating student growth and well-being. Listed below and attached are the donations and support received by the district.

- We are delighted to receive $5000 from RBC to assist us with hosting Lethbridge School District No. 51 Gay-Straight Alliance Conference for students March
22, 2017. This donation will assist with our conference running smoothly. Facilities, resources/promotions, release time for staff, lunch for the day and bringing in a guest speaker will all be supported by the RBC donation.

- Evangelical Free Church “Advent Conspiracy” donation to Lethbridge School District No. 51 Poverty Intervention Committee in the amount of $90,985.00. We are overwhelmed by their generosity. They would like someone from the district to talk to their congregation about what the funds will be spent on. The committee is looking at a plan for three to five years. Cheryl will craft a thank you letter on behalf of the Board.

7.2.2 Board Priorities Report
Superintendent Cheryl Gilmore provided the Board with a report on the progress in Board priority areas.

7.2.3 Acknowledgements of Excellence

Julien Todd, Grade 8, has been selected to represent Wilson Middle School at this year’s Southern Alberta Junior Honour Band sponsored by the Alberta Band Association. There are two Alberta Junior Honour Bands (north and south) held in conjunction with respective Teachers’ Conventions in Edmonton and Calgary, the junior honour bands provide an advanced performance experience for Alberta’s top Junior High and Middle School students. Congratulations to Julien Todd for being accepted into this year’s group on tuba.

Three Galbraith students participated in the Imagine All Star Cheer and Dance Championship in January at the Enmax. Congratulations to Reegan McLean (Kindergarten) – Tiny Prep – 1st place, Jared McLean (Grad 2) – Tiny – 1st place, and Kianna Setoguchi (Grade 3) – Downpour – 1st place.

Zara Enayetullah, a grade 2 student from Nicholas Sheran, has been chosen to be the Open Speech Leader and Student MC at the 2017 Leader in Me Symposium
in Edmonton on March 14th. Zara will give a 5-minute speech about what leadership means to her and introduce the keynote speaker, Brad Montague (the creator of Kid President).

**Ms. Anna Gotgilf’s Grade 5** class at Galbraith participated in the SumDog Zone 6 Math Contest and placed 2nd out of 22 registered classes and were the top of the class on January 31st. Special congratulations to **CJ B., Marissa H., and Andrew H.** who placed in the top ten out of 226 students.

7.2.4 **Snacks with the Superintendents – March 14, 2017 – Chinook High School**
All the staff of Chinook High School have been invited to have Snacks with the Superintendents on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 beginning at 7:30 a.m.

7.2.5 **Enrolment Summary, January 31, 2017**
Superintendent Cheryl Gilmore shared the enrolment summary for the District schools, broken down by grade, as of January 31, 2017.

7.2.6 **Calendar of Events**
The Calendar of Events was reviewed for the period of March 1 to March 28, 2017. Additions:
March 2 – ATA New Teacher Induction
March 8 – Spirit of 51 Recognition

8. **Reports**

8.1 **Facilities Committee – January 31, 2017**
Trustee Tyler Demers provided a written report on Facilities Committee meeting held January 31, 2017.

8.2 **FNMI Advisory Committee – February 7, 2017**
Trustee Donna Hunt provided an oral report on the FNMI Advisory Committee Meeting held on February 7, 2017. Facts on truth and reconciliation report. Peter Weasel Head gave a wonderful address to the group.

8.2 **Policy Advisory Committee – February 15, 2017**
Trustee Lola Major provided an oral report on the Policy Advisory Committee Meeting held on

8.3 **Community Engagement Committee – February, 2017**

Trustee Jan Foster provided a written report on the Scholarship Breakfast held on February 14, 2017 and the work of the Community Engagement Committee.

9. **Correspondence – Received**

None at this time

10. **Correspondence - Sent**

None at this time

11. **Adjournment**

Trustee Keith Fowler moved:

“that the meeting be adjourned at 4:42 p.m."

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Mich Forster,                                 Don Lussier,
Chair                                              Associate Superintendent

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