

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 HELD MAY 28, 2019.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Trustees: Clark Bosch; Tyler Demers; Jan Foster; Donna Hunt; Christine Light;
Lola Major; Doug James

Administrators: Cheryl Gilmore; Rik Jesse; Christine Lee; Morag Asquith
LeeAnne Tedder (Recorder)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda *Approval of Agenda
6860/19*
Trustee Donna Hunt moved:
Add: 5.6 CUPE 2843
5.7 Non-Union Employees
5.8 I.C.E. Scholarship Contribution
“to approve the agenda, as amended.” **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

2. Approval of Minutes *Approval of Minutes –
Regular Meeting
6861/19*
Trustee Jan Foster moved:
“that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 30, 2019 be
approved and signed by the Chair.” **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

4. Presentations
 - 4.1 Friends of 51 Awards *Presentations
Donations:
Friends of 51 Awards*
Friends of 51 Awards provide formal recognition to individuals
or groups who, as determined by the Board of Trustees, have
provided significant service or contributions to the Lethbridge
School District No. 51. The following were recognized:
Michelle Dimnik, 1D1B
Ron & Joyce Sakamoto, 1D1B
Dr. Carmen Mombourquette, U of L
Dr. Pamela Adams, U of L
Belinda Tomiyama, Canadian Blood Services
Cinnamon Meldrum, Canadian Blood Services

 - 4.2 Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards 2019 *Indigenous Student
Awards 2019*
The Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) selected
recipient from across the province for their *Honouring Spirit*:

Indigenous Student Awards 2019.

District students receiving honourable mention:

Marley Ashlyn Leona Black Plume

Eva Sweet Grass

Brody Hunt

5. Action Items

5.1 Approval of International Trips – WCHS

Action Items

WCHS requested approval for three international trips.

Salmon, Idaho and Denver, Colorado – Sep 11 to 19, 2019

Ireland, Scotland and English – Apr 9 to 19, 2020

Finland / Alberta International Research – Oct 11 to 18, 2019

Trustee Jan Foster moved:

“that the WCHS football trip to Salmon, Idaho and Denver, Colorado from September 11 to 16, 2019 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Approval of
International Trips
WCHS football – Idaho
& Colorado
6862/19*

Trustee Jan Foster moved:

“that the WCHS fine arts tour of Ireland, Scotland and England from April 9 to 19, 2020 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*WCHS Fine Arts tour of
Ireland, Scotland and
England
6863/19*

Trustee Jan Foster moved:

“that the WCHS trip to Helsinki and Joensuu, Finland from October 4 to 11, 2019 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*WCHS trip to Helsinki
and Joensuu, Finland
6864/19*

5.2 Approval of International Trips – LCI / District

LCI requested approval for three international trips.

Football - Sandpoint, Idaho – Sep 13-14, 2019

Choir and Band - Anaheim, California – April 2020

District Wrestling Program – Havre, Montana – Dec 6-7, 2019

District Wrestling Program – Cut Bank, Montana – Jan 10-11, 2020

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“that the LCI football trip to the northern United States, from September 13 to 14, 2019 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*Approval of
International Trips
LCI Football – Idaho
6865/19*

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“that the LCI choir and band performance tour to Anaheim, California, USA from April 20 to 28, 2020 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*LCI Choir and Band trip
to Anaheim, California
6866/19*

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“that the Lethbridge School District No. 51 Wrestling Program trip to Havre, Montana on December 6 to 7, 2019 and to Cut Bank, Montana from January 10 to 11, 2020 be approved, on the condition that all district policies and procedures are strictly followed.”
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

*District Wrestling
Program
6867/19*

4.3 Inclusive Education

Director of Inclusive Education, Ann Muldoon provided a presentation to the Board.

*Inclusive Education
Presentation*

Public Forum – Allison Pike requested that the Board consider the wages paid to educational assistants. We have EAs that are .84 of a position. They are being paid below the poverty level in the City of Lethbridge. They work with our most difficult kids and often have need of more than one job. How about we be the first district in Alberta to pay our EAs what they are worth.

Public Forum

Tyler Demers asked where Allison would suggest the funds come from within the budget?

Allison Pike would recommend reinvesting funds that were not used due to lack of positions filled in the past. She feels there has to be other ways to do this.

5.3 Authorization of Locally Developed Courses

Request for Locally Developed Courses for grade 7 to 9 was made.

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the following locally developed grade 7 to 9 courses in all District middle and high schools from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023:

G.S. Lakie

Beginner Hip-Hop

Beginner Tap

Dance Performance (Hip-Hop or Fusion)

Dancing Duos 8

Musical Theatre

*Locally Developed
Courses for Grade 7-9
6868/19*

Wilson

Babysitting
Broadcasting
Cosmetology
Filmmaking
Popular Culture

WCHS

Dance 9
IB Prep & Math Skills; and
Reading Café.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.4 Authorization of High School Locally Developed Courses

Request for High School Locally Developed Courses was made. The Province approves these courses after our Board approves them.

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high course in all District high schools: Ballet (2019) 15, 25 and 35 for 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Ballet
6869/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of senior high courses in all District high schools: Contemporary Dance (2019) 25 and 35 for 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Contemporary Dance
6870/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Dance (2019) 15, 25 and 35 for 3 and 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Dance
6871/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Dance Composition (2019) 35 for 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Dance Composition
6872/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Jazz Dance (2019) 25 and 35

*Locally Developed
Courses
Jazz Dance
6873/19*

for 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Advanced Acting/Touring Theatre (2019) 15, 25 and 35 for 3 and 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Advanced
Acting/Touring
Theatre
6874/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Yoga (2019) 15, 25 and 35 for 3 and 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Yoga
6875/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Doug James moved:

“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the senior high courses in all District high schools: Portfolio Art (2019) 35 for 3 and 5 credits all from September 1, 2019 to August 31, 2023.”

*Locally Developed
Courses
Portfolio Art
6876/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.5 Memorandum of Settlement between the Board and CUPE Local #290

The Board Negotiating Committee reached a Memorandum of Settlement with the Negotiating Committee of CUPE 290.

Trustee Tyler Demers moved:

“that the Memorandum of Settlement between the Board of Trustees of Lethbridge School District No. 51 and the Canadian Union of Public Employees No. 290 dated the 13th day of May 2019 be approved.”

*Memorandum of
Settlement between
the Board and CUPE
Local No. 290
6877/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Board Chair, Clark Bosch, declared conflict on Item 5.6 and 5.7.

The Chair was assumed by Vice Chair, Christine Light.

5.6 CUPE 2843

Trustee Tyler Demers moved:

“In recognition of employees of CUPE 2843, and all they do for Lethbridge School District No. 51, a one-time lump sum bonus of 2%, to be paid by June 30th. The lump sum bonus to be paid to all employees of CUPE 2843 as of June 1st, 2019 using Box 14 of the 2018 T4 Supplementary.”

*CUPE 2843
6878/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5.7 Non-Union Employees

Trustee Tyler Demers moved:

“In recognition of Non-Union employees and all they do for Lethbridge School District No. 51 a one-time lump sum bonus of 2%, to be paid by June 30th, 2019. This excludes the Superintendent of Schools who is ineligible. The lump sum bonus to be paid to these Non-Union employees as of June 1st, 2019 using Box 14 of the 2018 T4 Supplementary.”

*Non-Union Employees
6879/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Vice Chair turned the meeting back over to Chair, Clark Bosch.

5.8 I.C.E. Scholarship Donation

Our longest serving Superintendent Dr. Bob Plaxton passed away in December 2018. After he retired from the District, he took on the position of Executive Director of CASS. He remained involved with education well into retirement. French Immersion and Kindergarten were just two programs that came into our schools during his time as Superintendent. In addition, new schools were opened in West Lethbridge.

Trustee Jan Foster moved:

“that the Board make a donation in the amount of \$100 to the I.C.E. Scholarship Program in memory of Dr. Robert Plaxton and further that we advise his family of this donation.”

*I.C.E.Scholarship
Program donation
6880/19*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. District Highlights

- Lola – Distinguished award program at LCI, Arts Alive & Well, District Student Advisory, Edwin Parr Banquet, Joint City of Lethbridge and School Districts, 1D1B toasts in the Lethbridge Herald.
- Tyler – LCI Grad.
- Doug – LCI Grad, FNMI Feather Blessing.
- Donna – Poverty Intervention Lunch, LCI Grad and Grand March.
- Jan – District Teacher Induction Program (TIP), Edwin Parr Banquet, Volunteer Appreciation Lunch.
- Christine Light – Katherine Applegate at Chinook, spoke at DSAC and Lethbridge Christian School, Arts Alive & Well, Poverty Intervention Lunch. Gratitude and humility of students.

District Highlights

- Clark – Edwin Parr Banquet, SAIAC said goodbye to Dave Wells (he ran high school athletics) – shout out to Dave.

7. Information Items

7.1 Board Chair Report

Information Items

7.1.1 Edwin Parr Zone 6 Award

Edwin Parr Zone 6 Award banquet was held May 15, 2019 in Taber. Wilson teacher Melanie Wasylenko was the District nominee and provided an exceptional address at the banquet. Communications Officer Garrett Simmons created an outstanding video showcasing our nominee.

Edwin Parr Zone 6 Award

7.1.2 Budget Open House

The Board will host a public meeting to provide stakeholders an overview of the preliminary budget on Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 6:30 pm following the Board Budget briefing for Board members at 5:30 pm. The Board will debate the budget on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 at 1:00 pm.

Budget Open House

7.2 Associate Superintendent Reports

Associate Superintendent Reports Business Affairs

7.2.1 Business Affairs

Associate Superintendent Christine Lee provided a written Business Affairs report.

7.2.2 Human Resources

Associate Superintendent Rik Jesse provided a written Human Resources report including monthly enrolment.

Human Resources

7.2.3 Instructional Services

Associate Superintendent Morag Asquith presented the Instructional Services report.

Instructional Services

7.3 Superintendent Reports

Superintendent Report School Liaisons for 2019-2020

7.3.1 School Liaisons for 2019-2020

School Liaisons for 2019-2020 was included in the agenda.

7.3.2 Donations and Support

Donations and Support

Community Foundation of Lethbridge and Southwestern Alberta grants were awarded to:
LCI - Wellness Centre Update and Improvement Project

(\$5,000)
Ecole Agnes Davidson - Instrument Modernization
Project (\$10,000)
WCHS - Health and Wellness Program (\$10,000)

7.3.3 Board Priorities Report *Board Priorities*
2018-19 District Priorities report of actions was shared.

7.3.4 Acknowledgements of Excellence *Acknowledgements of Excellence*
Student and staff acknowledgements of excellence were shared with the Board. Board members were encouraged to congratulate the staff and students when visiting schools.

7.3.5 Calendar of Events *Calendar of Events*
The Calendar of Events was reviewed for the period May 28 to June 28, 2019.

Trustee Jan Foster moved: *Extend the meeting*
"to extend the meeting past 6:00 p.m." **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** *6881/19*

8. Reports *Reports*
8.1 ATA Local Council – May 1, 2019 *ATA Local 41*

Trustee Jan Foster provided a written report from the ATA Local Council meeting held May 1, 2019.

8.2 FNMI Advisory Committee – May 2, 2019 *FNMI Advisory Committee*

Trustee Doug James provided a written report for the FNMI Advisory Committee meeting held May 2, 2019.

8.3 District School Council – May 6, 2019 *District School Council*

Trustee Doug James provided a written report from the District School Council meeting held May 6, 2019.

8.4 Policy Advisory Committee – May 8, 2019 *Policy Advisory Committee*

Trustee Lola Major provided a written report from the Policy Advisory Committee meeting held May 8, 2019.

8.5 District Student Advisory Council – May 14, 2019 *District Student Advisory Council*

Trustee Doug James provided a written report from the District Student Advisory Council meeting held May 14, 2019.

8.6 ASBA Zone 6 Meeting – May 15, 2019

ASBA Zone 6

Trustee Jan Foster provided a written report from the ASBA Zone 6 meeting held May 15, 2019.

8.7 Joint City of Lethbridge / School Boards – May 22, 2019

*Joint City of Lethbridge
/ School Boards*

Trustee Jan Foster provided a written report from the Joint City of Lethbridge and School Boards meeting held May 22, 2019.

9. Correspondence – Received none

*Correspondence –
Received*

10. Correspondence – Sent none

Correspondence – Sent

The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Adjournment

Clark Bosch,
Chair

Christine Lee,
Associate Superintendent
Business Affairs