



Highlights from the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Meeting highlights, June 23

1. Friends of 51

The 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 Lethbridge School Division.

Recipients:

- Daytona Homes Lethbridge
- Blaine Hyggen
- Evangelical Free Church
- Runners Soul and New Balance
- Lowe's Canada
- Shoe Warehouse

The Board presented the awards to the recipients in attendance.

2. ICE Scholarships

Canada 150 Innovation Creativity and Entrepreneurship (ICE) is an annual scholarship awarded by Lethbridge School Division. The awards seek to recognize student innovation, in keeping with the Division's vision: Learners are innovative thinkers who are successful, confident, respectful, and caring.

Winners of the 2020 Canada ICE Scholarships are:

- Michelle Wu (Grade 12, WCHS): GeneZ Podcast
- Jayden deKock & Laszlo Babits (Grade 11, Chinook): @berta.vintage
- Julien Todd (Grade 11, WCHS): Robotics Club
- Isaiah Mason (Grade 11, Chinook): Covid-19 Part 1 Video

The students were invited to attend the June Board meeting.

The Board congratulated the winners of the ICE Scholarship awards and presented them with a cheque and certificate.

To view a video that highlights this year's award winners, click here: [SCHOLARSHIP](#).

3. Policy Review

Division policies are reviewed on a continuous basis to ensure they reflect the position of the Board. The Policy Advisory Committee has representation from the Board, Division School Council, each of the employee groups, and Division and school administration.

The Board adopted the revisions to the policies as presented by the Policy Advisory Committee, or as amended.

400.4 - Fraud Prevention, Identification and Reporting - First reading

700.8 - Workplace Health and Safety – Refusal to Work - Second reading

1001.3 - Communications - Amended

1003.4 - Partnerships and Sponsorships - Amended

1004.1 - Community Use of Facilities - Amended

700.7 - Workplace Health and Safety - Accident, Incident Investigation - Amended

700.9 - Workplace Health and Safety - Program Administration - Amended

4. Election Bylaw

In accordance with the Education Act, The Board of Trustees must pass a bylaw to establish electoral boundaries for trustee general elections.

The required bylaw provides for the nomination and election of trustees by wards or electoral subdivisions, and it determines the boundaries of the wards or provides for the election of trustees by the general vote of the electors. A bylaw must be passed before December 31, 2020 in the year before an election year, and it does not apply to or affect the composition of the school board until the date of the general election.

Under the Education Act, the Minister no longer approves the bylaw; however, school boards must provide a copy of the bylaw to the Minister before December 31, 2020.

A copy of the bylaw is attached. This bylaw affirms the election be for seven (7) trustees to be elected at large within the municipal boundaries of the City of Lethbridge in accordance with section 76 of the Education Act. The bylaw further authorized the Division to hold a joint election with the City of Lethbridge pursuant to Section 2 of the Local Authorities Election Act.

Bylaw No. 2020-01, a bylaw to establish electoral boundaries for trustee general election and authority for joint election, was approved for first reading.

5. Third Quarter Financial Report

The 2019-2020 Third Quarter Financial Report for the Division is provided for review. Director of Finance, Mark DeBoer, was in attendance to respond to any question's trustees may have.

The Board accepted the 2019-2020 Third Quarter Financial Report as presented.

The report can be found on Page 28 of the [AGENDA](#).

6. Standing Committees

Board of Trustees Committee chairs will need to provide an Annual Report and Terms of Reference Review at the Board meeting in September 2020. The Standing Committees are as follows:

Facilities Committee

Policy Advisory Committee

Spirit of 51 Committee

Board Budget Committee

Poverty Intervention Committee

Board Audit Committee

Division Wellness Committee

Community Engagement Committee

FNMI Advisory Committee

Annual reports and terms of reference reviews presented in September 2019 can be found on the website or requested through the Superintendent's office for updating.

The Board accepted this as information.

7. Associate Superintendent Reports

Christine Lee, Associate Superintendent, Business Affairs; Rik Jesse, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources and Morag Asquith, Associate Superintendent, Instructional Services, delivered their respective reports for the Board. To read the reports in full, see Page 64 of the [AGENDA](#).

8. L.H. Bussard Award Winners

The Board of Trustees of the Lethbridge School Division, in recognition of the valued services rendered by Superintendent L. H. Bussard, authorized the annual presentation of a medal to an upper elementary student showing exceptional creative ability.

The original medal, which was cast in copper alloy and treated with acid, was especially designed by N.C. Johnson, a former Art Co-ordinator for Lethbridge School Division. The swirling design sweeps the eye outward from Mr. Bussard's profile, symbolizing the spread of the Arts.

8. L.H. Bussard Award Winners

On the reverse side of the original medal, unity was maintained by six swirling areas symbolic of Art, Music, Drama, with their related fields, Structural Creativity, Creative Rhythmical Movement, and Creative Writing. Each of these respective fields was bound at the centre showing their interdependence and cohesion.

This medal is a tribute to a man whose high educational ideals symbolize the intent of this award.

The L. H. Bussard Medal and certificate are presented each year to a Division II student in each elementary school. This student should have demonstrated outstanding ability, imagination and originality in the area(s) of music, art, drama, language arts and physical education.

L.H. Bussard Award Winners for 2020:

Taya Leishman - Coalbanks

Ella Gao - Dr. Probe

Mateja Boh - École Agnes Davidson

Zara Orr - École Nicholas Sheran

Bella Beck - Fleetwood

Karlee Peterson - Galbraith

Madison Taverner - General Stewart

Jaxon Ririe - Lakeview

Chloe White - Lethbridge Christian

Sophia Rejman - Mike Mountain Horse

Rory Hedivan - Park Meadows

Mackayla Aragon - Senator Buchanan

The Board received this report as information.

9. Administration Appointments

The following administration appointments have been made for the 2019/2020 school year:

Michael Nightingale - Associate Superintendent, Human Resources, Education Centre

Keith van der Meer - Principal - Dr. Gerald Probe Elementary School

Barbi Wall - Principal Immanuel - Christian Elementary School

Sean Alaric - Principal Lethbridge - Christian School

Cameron Hall - Vice Principal - Chinook High School

Rochelle Neville - Vice Principal - Coalbanks Elementary School

Carlie Ramotowski - Vice Principal - Dr. Gerald Probe Elementary School

Jackie Fletcher - Vice Principal - Fleetwood Bawden Elementary School

Brad Dersch - Vice Principal - G. S. Lakie Middle School

Ainsley Croil - Vice Principal - Immanuel Christian Elementary School

Laura Witten - Vice Principal - Immanuel Christian Secondary School

Lois Van Roon - Vice Principal - Lethbridge Christian School

Kyle McKenzie - Vice Principal - Lethbridge Collegiate Institute

Candice McMurren - Vice Principal - Park Meadows Elementary School

Kurt Zielke - Vice Principal - Wilson Middle School

The Board received the report as information.

10. Parent Survey

A survey went out to parents on June 2, 2020 to inform planning for the three scenarios proposed as possibilities by Education Minister LaGrange. Superintendent Dr. Cheryl Gilmore reviewed the outcomes of the survey with the Board.

The Board received this report as information.

To view a summary of the survey results, please click on this link: [SURVEY](#).

11. Board Reports

A report was delivered for the ASBA spring general meeting. The report appears on Page 90 of the [AGENDA](#).

12. Correspondence - Received

The Division received a letter from the Terry Fox Foundation, which provided results from the 2019 Terry Fox School Run. In total, 17 Division schools participated, and raised a total of \$13,086.84 for cancer research.

13. Correspondence - Received

The Division received a letter from Public School Boards' Association of Alberta, which stated the association has been invited to submit a presentation to the Student Transportation Task Force.

14. Correspondence - Received

The Division received a letter from Alberta Education to announce the approval of \$65,625 of planning funds to cover costs for the pre-design of the division's highest capital priority for a new elementary school in the west Lethbridge community of Garry Station.

15. Correspondence - Received

The Division received a letter from Andre Corbould, the Deputy Minister of Education, to inform the Division that on June 10, 2020, the Lieutenant Governor in Council approved an order in council proclaiming the Joint Use and Planning Agreement (JUPA) sections of Bill 25, the Red Tape Implementation Act into force. This proclamation amends the Municipal Government Act and the Education Act.

16. Correspondence - Received

The Division received a letter from Ann Louise Plaxton, to thank the Board for passing the motion to name the Division's new school Dr. Robert Plaxton Elementary School.



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