

MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LETHBRIDGE SCHOOL DIVISION HELD SEPTEMBER 28, 2021.

In Attendance:

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

Administrators: Cheryl Gilmore; Mike Nightingale; Christine Lee; Morag Asquith;
LeeAnne Tedder (Recorder)

The Board Meeting was live streamed via YouTube due to the gathering restrictions related to COVID-19.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“to approve the agenda, as presented.” **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Approval of Agenda
6813/21*

2. Approval of Minutes

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 22, 2021 be approved and signed by the Chair.” **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Approval of Minutes –
Regular Meeting
6814/21*

Trustee Donna Hunt moved:

“that the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 1, 2021 be approved and signed by the Chair.” **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

*Special Meeting
6815/21*

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

*Business Arising from
the Minutes*

4. Presentations

Presentations

4.1 Making Connections

Making Connections

DeeAnna Presley-Roberts provided an update on Making Connections and Mental Health Capacity Building during the 2020-21 school year.

Friends of 51

4.2 Friends of 51

Friends of 51 were recognized at an event earlier today for their contributions to the Division.

4.3 Trustee Recognition

Trustee Recognition

Trustees were recognized for their support of students and staff of the Division.

5. Action Items

Action Items

- 5.1 Authorization of Locally Developed Courses – High School
Alberta Education requires that all locally developed senior high courses be authorized for use by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Doug James moved:
“that the Board approve the use of LDC3608 Extended Essay (2021) 35 for 3 credits, acquired from the St. Albert School Division from September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2025 to enhance program offerings to students.”

Locally Developed Courses – High School 6816/21

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 5.2 Authorization of Locally Developed Courses
Alberta Education requires that all locally developed grade 7 to 9 courses be authorized for use by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Doug James moved:
“that the Board of Trustees approve the use of the Dinosaurs & Paleontology 6-8 locally developed for grade 7 to 9 course in all Division middle and high schools from September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2025.”

Locally Developed Courses – Middle School 6817/21

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Division Highlights

Division Highlights

Doug thanked Christine Lee for the 1st Ride event for students.
Donna attended the grand opening of Dr. Plaxton School.
Jan attended the Friends of 51 event held earlier today.
Christine attended the raising of the Blackfoot Confederate flag at City Hall and the Friends of 51 event.

7. Information Items

Information Items

7.1 Board Chair Report

*Board Chair Report
Community Engagement*

7.1.1 Community Engagement

The Board conducted a student, parent, and staff survey regarding the Re-Entry Plan. Results will be shared.

7.1.2 ASBA Curriculum Feedback

ASBA Curriculum Feedback

The ASBA feedback loop link for their province-wide survey was included in the agenda.

7.1.3 Standing Committees

Standing Committees

Standing Committee Annual Reports and Terms of Reference Review were reviewed. Remove highlights of audit committee terms of reference.

7.2 Associate Superintendent Reports

7.2.1 Business and Operations

Associate Superintendent Christine Lee provided a written Business and Operations report.

Associate Superintendent Reports Business and Operations

7.2.2 Instructional Services

Associate Superintendent Morag Asquith provided a written Instructional Services report.

Instructional Services

7.2.3 Human Resources

Associate Superintendent Mike Nightingale provided a written Human Resources report.

Human Resources

Public Forum – David Euston: My concern is with masking in schools. Every day I take my daughter to school and pray that she doesn't get covid. I wish that the board would mandate that students keep masks on while in instruction. Second, I have concerns about the notification policy. I was told by the principal at Agnes Davidson that they cannot tell me anything about Covid cases in school. I understand about FOIP concerns, certainly, but this is not stopping school districts in Edmonton from notifying students and even doing active tracing based on parental reports.

Public Forum

7.3 Superintendent Reports

7.3.1 Board Priorities Report

Board Priorities were included in the agenda.

Superintendent Report Board Priorities

7.3.2 Donations and Support

Ready Set Go sponsors were included in the agenda.

Donations and Support

7.3.3 Acknowledgements of Excellence

Survey comments were included in the agenda. Schools will be showcased starting next month.

Acknowledgements of Excellence

7.3.4 World Teachers' Day

World Teachers' Day is held annually on October 5th since 1994 to celebrate the essential role of teachers in providing quality education at all levels.

World Teachers' Day

7.3.5 Calendar of Events

Oct 4 – Wellness Committee (addition)
Oct 5 – Poverty Intervention Committee (addition)
Oct 20 – Trustee Meet & Greet (change)
Oct 27 – Indigenous Education committee (addition)

Calendar of Events

8. Reports

*Reports
Policy Advisory
Committee*

8.1 Policy Advisory Committee – September 1, 2021

Trustee Lola Major provided a written report from the Policy Advisory Committee meeting held September 1, 2021.

8.2 Facilities Committee – September 13, 2021

Facilities Committee

Trustee Doug James provided a written report from the Facilities Committee meeting held September 13, 2021.

8.3 Board Audit Committee – September 14, 2021

*Board Audit
Committee*

Trustee Clark Bosch provided a written report from the Board Audit Committee held September 14, 2021.

8.4 ASBA General Meeting – September 15, 2021

ASBA General Meeting

Trustee Donna Hunt provided a written report from the ASBA General Meeting held September 15, 2021.

9. Correspondence Received

*Correspondence
Received*

9.1 Alberta Education – July 6, 2021

Alberta Education

9.2 Alberta Education – July 20, 2021

Alberta Education

9.3 ASCA – July 30, 2021

ASCA

9.4 Alberta Infrastructure – August 27, 2021

Alberta Infrastructure

9.5 City of Lethbridge – September 1, 2021

City of Lethbridge

10. Correspondence Sent

*Correspondence Sent
City of Lethbridge*

10.1 City of Lethbridge – September 7, 2021

Videos honouring long-term Trustees Jan Foster and Lola Major will be available on the Division website.

Trustee videos

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Adjournment

Board Chair

Christine Lee,
Associate Superintendent
Business and Operations