

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF PRAIRIE LAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at Hanna

Each student will be provided personalized education through innovative practices while celebrating diversity and developing strong relationships that ensure student achievement and foster the growth of well-adjusted citizens.

Present:

Holli Smith

Chair

Shandele Battle
Ken Macfarlane
Marsha Tkach

Jinel Ference (Google Meet)
Scott MacPherson (Google Meet)

Cam McKeage
Sharon Orum
Jennifer Cooper

Superintendent
Secretary Treasurer
Administrative Assistant

Absent with Regrets:

Lindsay Bond
Shauna Davies
Steve Nielsen

Deputy Superintendent

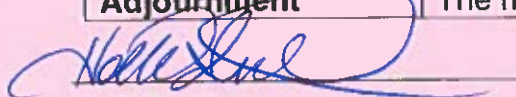
Call to Order	Chair H. Smith called the regular meeting of Prairie Land Public School Division to order at 9:00 a.m. It was recognized that the meeting is being held on Treaty Seven Territory and the Territory of the Métis.
Review of Agenda	Motion 2023-2024-69 – J. Ference That the agenda be amended to include the following items: 6Bi Baseball Academy 6Bii PSBC Carried
Adoption of the March 26, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes	Motion 2023-2024-70 – K. Macfarlane That the minutes of the March 26, 2024 Board meeting be adopted as presented. Carried
Adoption of the March 27, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes	Motion 2023-2024-71 – M. Tkach That the minutes of the March 27, 2024 Special Board meeting be adopted as presented. Carried
Advocacy and Action Committee (AAC) MLA Meeting	At the AAC meeting held on April 9, 2024 trustees met with MLA Horner's assistant Michele Toews.




	Carol Lenfesty entered the meeting at 9:08 a.m.
Advocacy and Action Committee (AAC) School Board/School Council Meeting	The Board & School Council meeting was held by Google Meet on April 16. An Administrative Procedure on vaping was reviewed. The AP was shared with principals at the admin meeting held on April 17, 2024. The superintendent will make changes to the AP and bring it back to the next Board meeting.
Advocacy and Action Committee (AAC) Special Areas Board Meeting	The superintendent and Board Chair met with Special Areas held on March 28, 2024.
Community Engagement Meetings	The Community Engagement meetings final report was presented at the Board & School Council meeting. The report information was used in creating the division Education Plan. The Community Engagement meetings report was sent to all staff and schools.
NSBA Conference	H. Smith and M. Tkach reported on the NSBA conference they attended in New Orleans in April. The written reports will be sent to trustees.
Artificial Intelligence (AI)	The superintendent will be discussing Artificial Intelligence with principals at the August 2024 meeting to create a timeline for the upcoming school year regarding professional development for AI.
2024-2025 Projected Funding	S. Orum presented information for the 2024-2025 projected funding. The Board will review the budget at the May 14 Board Working Session. It was requested to move the Robert's Rules of Order workshop to a start time of 10:30 a.m. if possible. This is for all trustees to attend if possible.
New Colony School Codes	Two new colony schools will be starting up in the next year. Wind River Colony will be starting up in May 2024 and East River Colony will be starting up for the 2024-2025 school year.
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-72 – S. MacPherson That a new school code be requested for Wind River Colony School, effective May 28, 2024 for the current 2023-2024 school year.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>

	<p>Motion 2023-2024-73 – K. Macfarlane That a new school code be requested for East River Colony School, effective for the start of the 2024-2025 school year.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Rural Caucus	The Rural Caucus committee met with the Minister of Education. Their directors will be meeting with Alberta Education regarding recruitment and retention. At the Spring meeting the budget and fee increases will be discussed.
Baseball Academy	M. Tkach provided an update on the baseball academy. They had a successful fundraiser held in March.
	Altario School Principal Kevin Van Lagen entered the meeting at 10:16 a.m.
Altario School – Kevin Van Lagen	K. Van Lagen presented on the Altario School Agriculture Academy.
	K. Van Lagen left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.
PSBC	M. Tkach presented on the PSBC meeting she attended.
Reports Superintendent – Human Resource Procedures Manual	The superintendent presented information on the Human Resources Manual.
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-74 – S. Battle That the Human Resources Procedures manual be approved as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Reports Superintendent – Green Dome School Update	The superintendent met with the Green Dome committee to go over the conditions within the intent letter. They have agreed to the conditions and have signed the letter of intent. CBE and Calgary Catholic have issued releases. The next step is to prepare an agreement.
Reports Superintendent – Morrin Hub	Discussion on the Morrin School opening was held. Demolition on the old school will happen soon as they are starting to cut off the school for the Hub structure.
Reports Superintendent – 2024-2025 Division Calendar	The superintendent spoke to principals about the extra PD afternoons for the 2024-2025 calendar. The dates determined for the PD will be held on October 1, December 3, 2024, April 1, and May 6, 2025. Early dismissal will be held at 12:30 p.m. these days.

Reports Superintendent – Draft Education Plan	The superintendent presented the draft Prairie Land Education Plan. The final Education Plan will be presented at the May 28, 2024 Board meeting for approval.
Reports Superintendent – Around the Division	The superintendent shared happenings from around the division.
School/Community Happenings	Trustees provided information on happenings in the communities.
Recognition	<p>The Board acknowledged Craig and Jinel Ference and family for being on the front of the Alberta Beef magazine for April 2024.</p> <p>The Board acknowledged Jinel Ference for her nomination for the Women in Agriculture award.</p> <p>The Board acknowledged the Neutral Hills Baseball Academy for their successful fundraiser.</p>
	C. Lenfesty left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.
Recess	Recessed for lunch at 11:56 a.m.
Reconvene	Reconvened at 12:30 p.m.
Motion to Move Into Closed Session	<p>Motion 2023-2024-75 – S. Battle That the Board move into a closed session at 12:30 p.m. to discuss the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CUPE Negotiations • ASBA Zone 5 • TEBA <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Motion to Adjourn The Closed Session	<p>Motion 2023-2024-76 – J. Ference That the Board adjourn the closed session at 1:01 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Board Highlights	<p>The Board set the following item as <i>Board Highlights</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Colony School Codes • Division Calendar Professional Development Days
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 1:01 p.m.


Holli Smith
Board Chair


Sharon Orum
Secretary-Treasurer