

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF PRAIRIE LAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
Tuesday, June 18, 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 (Google Meet)

Lindsay Bond

Shauna Davies

Jinel Ference (Google Meet)

Ken Macfarlane

Scott MacPherson

Marsha Tkach

Cam McKeage

Superintendent

Sharon Orum

Secretary Treasurer

Jennifer Cooper

Administrative Assistant

Public – Carol Lenfesty

Absent with Regrets:

Steve Nielsen

Deputy Superintendent

Call to Order	Chair H. Smith called the regular meeting of Prairie Land Public School Division to order at 9:01 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 2023-2024-90 – L. Bond That the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried
Adoption of the May 28, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes	Motion 2023-2024-91 – M. Tkach That the minutes of the May 28, 2024 Board meeting be adopted as amended. Carried
Advocacy and Action Committee (AAC) MLA Meeting	The next meeting date will be determined at the August 27, 2024 Board meeting.
	Carol Lenfesty entered the meeting at 9:04 a.m.
ASBA School Board Innovation and Excellence Award	The trustees discussed a nomination for the ASBA School Board Innovation and Excellence Award. The deadline to submit nominations is September 16, 2024. The Altario School fodder and growcers were suggested for a

	nomination. The nomination will be presented at the August board meeting for approval.
Board Advocacy Plan	The <i>Board Advocacy Plan</i> was discussed at the Board Evaluation. Discussion was held on reviewing the advocacy plan during a two day Board retreat. Dates will be presented at the August Board meeting.
Board & Superintendent Evaluation	The Vice-chair will email the Superintendent evaluation comments to trustees and asked they reply to her by email within the next two days. The Board self-evaluation questions will be reviewed at an upcoming AAC meeting.
2024-2025 Draft Bus Routes	The 2024-2025 draft bus routes were reviewed. There are 39 routes for the 2024-2025 school year.
Green Dome School Code	A school code is required for the Green Dome School located in Calgary that will be joining Prairie Land School Division.
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-92 – M. Tkach That a new school code be requested for the Green Dome Islamic School, effective the start of the 2024-2025 school year.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Board Policies 10, 11 & 12	Board policies 10, 11 & 12 were reviewed.
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-93 – K. Macfarlane That <i>Board Policy 10 – Policy-Making</i>, be approved as reviewed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-94 – S. Davies That <i>Board Policy 11 – Board Delegation of Authority</i>, be approved as reviewed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
	<p>Motion 2023-2024-95 – S. Davies That <i>Board Policy 12 – School Closure</i>, be approved as reviewed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
ASBA & PSBAA Spring General Meeting	H. Smith and S. MacPherson reported on the ASBA, PSBAA and Rural Caucus meetings. It was suggested that Prairie Land send a letter regarding the funding formula to the Minister of Education.

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Board & Colony Meeting	The Board and Colony meeting was held on June 6, 2024. The new colony principal Laura-Lee Toews was introduced to the Colony Ministers and teachers. The Ministers and German teachers thanked Rebecca Webster for all she has done for the colonies during her role as principal.
Reports – Superintendent	The superintendent circulated the Education Plan to trustees.
Reports Superintendent – Green Dome School Update	The Green Dome society signed the letter and will be joining the Prairie Land School Division effective the 2024-2025 school year. It will be a K – 4 school with approximately 280 students.
Reports Superintendent – Morrin Hub	The Morrin Hub will be used for a CTS shop, arts and fitness centres. The CTS shop will be for automotive, metals and woods. A contractor has been hired for the interior of the building. The staff and community are excited for the building.
Reports Superintendent – Cell Phones & Social Media	Superintendents had a meeting with the Minister of Education on June 17, 2024 regarding the restriction of cell phones and social media in schools effective September 1, 2024. There will be a Ministerial Order regarding the device restrictions. The division will create a Board policy regarding the Ministerial Order and it will be brought to the August 27, 2024 Board meeting for review.
Reports Superintendent – Staffing Update	The new Secretary Treasurer will be Mark Nikota and he will start September 1, 2024 for a transition period before S. Orum retires in December 2024. The Green Dome Islamic school principal will be Mr. Syed Raza. He will continue to also be the principal for Al-Amal Academy.
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 Ted Battle for his work on the Morrin Hub.</p> <p>The Board acknowledged Jennifer Cooper for her work on the Morrin School Opening and the staff appreciation banquets.</p>

	The superintendent payed respects to the Nielsen family on the loss of their wife and mother Karla Nielsen who was a long time teacher at Morrin School. Her funeral service will take place at the Morrin School to be held on Sunday, June 23 at 2:00 p.m.
	C. Lenfesty left the meeting at 10:36 a.m.
Motion to Move Into Closed Session	Motion 2023-2024-96 – L. Bond That the Board move into a closed session at 10:42 a.m. to discuss the following items: <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	Motion 2023-2024-97 – M. Tkach That the Board adjourn the closed session at 10:53 a.m. <p style="text-align: right;">Carried</p>
Board Highlights	The Board set the following items as <i>Board Highlights</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green Dome Islamic School Code• Cell Phones & Social Media
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 a.m.



Holli Smith
Board Chair



Sharon Orum
Secretary-Treasurer