MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PRAIRIE LAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
Tuesday, August 25, 2026, at Hanna and by Google Meet

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:
Shandele Battle, Scott MacPherson, Holli Smith, Marsha Tkach, Sharon Walker, Danielle Kurek, Gemma Norburn, Cam McKeage – Superintendent, Katherine Mann – Deputy Superintendent, Syed Raza – Associate Superintendent, Mark Nikota – Secretary-Treasurer and Jennifer Cooper – Administrative Assistant

Absent with Regrets:
Chris Warwick

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1. Call To Order
Board Chairperson, H. Smith, called the August 25, 2026, Regular Board Meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda
The Board of Trustees of Prairie Land School Division approved the August 25, 2026, Regular Board Meeting agenda, as amended (items 6A PSBC and 6B Rural Caucus).

3. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
A. The Board of Trustees of Prairie Land School Division reviewed the June 23, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, as presented.

4. Presentations
No Presentations.

5. Reports of Officers
A. Administration
Administration report was presented. Recognition was given to Kate Hadwin and Natasha Murphy for receiving the Queens Platinum Jubilee Citizenship Award.

6. Reports of Committees
A. PSBC
M. Tkach presented information from the PSBC meeting she attended. PSBAA objectives of the association will be discussed at the September 8 Board Advocacy and Action meeting.

B. Rural Caucus
S. MacPherson reported on the Rural Caucus meetings over the summer. The AGM will be held on November 15, 2026, time to be determined.

7. Standing Order of Business

A. Board Advocacy and Action Meeting
The next Board Advocacy meeting will be held on September 8, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.. Agenda items will be PSBAA Objectives of the Association, Board Advocacy, Board Strategic Plan and Goals, Board Policy changes in relation to Bill 25. Other items will be determined. The September 8 Board Advocacy & Action meeting will possibly be held at Altario School at 10:00 a.m. Administration will confirm that the cabin will be available. If not an alternate location will be found.

B. Board Annual Work Plan
The Board Annual Work Plan was reviewed. This will be reviewed at the September 8 Board Advocacy and Action meeting.

C. 2026-2027 School Fees Revision
M. Nikota presented the revised fee schedule for Al-Amal Academy for the 2026-2027 school year.

Moved by M. Tkach that the Board of Trustees approve the revised school fees as presented.

Carried (2025-2026-75)

D. Role of the Executive Committee
The role of the Executive Committee was reviewed. This will be discussed at the September 8 Advocacy and Action meeting.

Recess held at 11:00 a.m.
Board Chair, H. Smith, called the Board Meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

E. Curriculum Approval
C. McKeage and S. Raza presented the Christian faith-based curriculum for Delia School and the Islamic Studies and Quran curricula for Al-Amal Academy and Green Dome Islamic Schools.

Moved by S. Battle that the Board of Trustees approve the Christian faith-based curriculum at Delia School and the Islamic Studies and Quran curricula at Al-Amal Academy and Green Dome Islamic School as Division II and III enrichment programming.

Carried (2025-2026-76)

F. Board Policy 14
Board Policy 14 was reviewed.

Moved by S. Walker that *Board Policy 14 – Student Transportation*, be approved as amended.

Carried (2025-2026-77)

G. Finance: Year End Update
M. Nikota presented the year end update.

Moved by G. Norburn that Prairie Land forgive 50% of the Al-Amal playground expense and subsequent account receivable for the Noah Foundation for Learning of $14,556.97.

Defeated (2025-2026-78)

H. Smith informed trustees that the ASBA Zone 5 meeting will be held at the Prairie Land Board office on September 11 at 9:30 a.m.

8. Announcements
Trustees reported school reports.

10. Adjournment
The August 25, 2026 Regular Board meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

Holli Smith
Board Chair

Mark Nikota
Secretary-Treasurer