

Minutes of the Regular Public Board of Trustees Meeting of Northern Gateway Public Schools

**October 26th, 2021 – Commencement after the Organizational Meeting
Division Office Board Room in Whitecourt, AB**

Opening

A. Opening

Call to Order and Roll Call

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The October 26th, 2021 meeting was called to order by Chair Maddigan at 1:39 p.m.

Chair Barb Maddigan, Vice Chair Christine Peck, Trustees Diane Hagman, Linda Wigton, Jim Hailes, Judy Muir, Sally Petryshen, Gerry Steinke, Deb Koloski and Administrators: Kevin Bird, Superintendent; Leslee Jodry, Deputy Superintendent and Nicole Draves, Recording Secretary, were present at this time.

Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer, and Malcolm Heaven, Network Administrator, were present at this time.

Tamara Spong, Secretary-Treasurer was absent at this time.

Board Appointment

Moved by Trustee Wigton: That the Board appoint Deputy Superintendent Leslee Jodry to Secretary-Treasurer for the purpose of the Regular Board Meeting

Motion Carried

Oh Canada

2. Singing of Oh Canada

Treaty Land Acknowledgement

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Acceptance of Agenda

4516-21

Appointments and Delegations

Draft Minutes of the September 14th, 2021 Regular Public Board Meeting

4517-21

Action Items

3. Treaty Land Acknowledgement

Vice-Chair Christine Peck read the Treaty Land Acknowledgement

4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

- a) Trustee Wigton: Add to In Closed Session- Curriculum meeting
- b) Trustee Hailes: Chrome books for Trustees
- c) Trustee Steinke: Election Debrief

5. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Hailes– that the agenda for the October 26th, 2021 Regular Public Board Meeting be adopted as amended

Motion Carried

B. Appointments and Delegations

NA

C. Draft Minutes of the October 5th, 2021 Regular Public Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Hailes–that the draft minutes of the October 5th, 2021 Regular Public Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

D. Action Items

NA

Information/Reports

ASBA

ASBA Zone 2/3

PSBAA

4518-21

4519-21

Standing Committee

E. Information/Reports

1. ASBA

Trustee Jim Hailes presented long term service awards to Trustees Judy Muir, Barb Maddigan & Gerry Steinke

Judy Muir has been a Trustee for NGPS since 1989, for 11 terms.

Chair Barb Maddigan & Trustee Gerry Steinke were recognized for 5 terms each.

Congratulations!

ASBA Zone 2/3

Trustee Linda Wigton reminded all Trustees to ensure they register for the upcoming ASBA Fall General Meeting.

2. PSBAA

Vice-Chair Christine Peck reminded all Trustees to ensure they register for the upcoming PSBAA Fall General Meeting

Vice-Chair Christine Peck announced that she is considering a Director position with PSBAA

Moved by Trustee Steinke: That the Board support Vice Chair Peck's consideration for Director of the PSBAA.

Motion Carried

Moved by Trustee Steinke: That should Vice-Chair Peck be successful in the position of Director of PSBAA, the Board appoint Trustee Muir as PSBAA Board Representative.

Motion Carried

3. Standing Committee Reports

Reports

Chair Barb Maddigan would like to get all committees meeting as soon as possible.

Superintendent's Report

4. Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent's report was presented to the Trustees for information.

Round table discussion: preference on Chromebooks and Ipads for Trustees

Financial Reports

5. Financial Reports

SJFR & Division Finance Reports for August were presented to the Trustees for information.

Student Enrolment Report was presented to the Trustees for information.

Correspondence

6. Correspondence

NA

Board Annual Work Plan

7. Board Annual Work Plan

Work plan was reviewed.

Motion Review Cycle

8. Motion Review Cycle

The motion review cycle is up to date.

Trustee Reports

9. Trustee Reports

Trustee Hagman discussed the Rural Caucus Committee.

Upcoming Events

10. Upcoming Events

The next regular Board meetings were reviewed

School Awards dates were reviewed.

Additional Report Items

11. Additional Report Items

- a) Trustee Hailes: Chromebooks-round table discussion on current Chromebooks being at "end of cycle" which Trustees would like to upgrade at this time
- b) Trustee Steinke: Election Debrief (Review)-round table discussion
 - Confusion at the polls
 - Challenges around public and separate school systems
 - Official results discussed-number of rejected & spoiled ballots
 - Timeliness of communication of results to the Trustees
 - Will there be a final report
 - Boundaries of the schools are different from that of the municipality, this causes confusion for the voters

Topics for Future Discussions

F. Topics for Future Discussions

Trustee Wigton would like to discuss: Insurance rates, Blue Ridge School potential & report on elections.

Requests for Information

G. Requests for Information

NA

Meeting Highlights

H. Meeting Highlights

- 1. ASBA Long Term Service Awards

In-Closed Session

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I. In-Closed Session

Moved by Trustee Hagman: That the Board move into Closed Session at 2:56 p.m. and Kevin Bird, Superintendent and Leslee Jodry, Deputy Superintendent were invited to stay.

Motion Carried

Electronic recording of meeting discontinued at 2:56 p.m.

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Moved by Trustee Wigton: That the Board move out of Closed Session at 5:10 p.m.

Motion Carried

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Moved by Trustee Hagman: That the Board accept the purchase offer on 4104 Kepler Street.

Adjournment

J. Adjournment

4523-21

Moved by Trustee Koloski: That the meeting be adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Motion Carried

Board Chair

Appointed Secretary-Treasurer