

MINUTES

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE SCHOOL DIVISION HELD March 25, 2025, AT 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL:

Hélène Hoggarth (Chair)	Tracey Asham (Vice Chair)	Shauna-Lei Leslie
Darren MacDonald	Rhonda McCutcheon	Dan Otsuji (arrived at 7:30)
Don Smoke	Penny Verwey	Gregg Waldvogel
Pam Garnham	Rochelle Rands	Jonathan Hyman

REMOTE:

REGRETS:

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

03:10:25 Motion:

That the Board resolves into committee of the whole, in camera.

S. Leslie - G. Waldvogel - Carried

03:11:25 Motion:

That the Board rises without reporting.

P. Verwey - D. Smoke - Carried

COFFEE BREAK

A. AGENDA:

03:12:25 Motion:

That the agenda for the meeting of March 25, 2025, be approved.

G. Waldvogel - S. Leslie - Carried

03:13:25 Motion:

That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 11, 2025, be approved.

T. Asham - D. Smoke - Carried

B. MOTIONS:

03:14:25 Motion

That the following teacher(s) be employed on a Teacher General Contract:

Juliana Wright	100%	May 5, 2025
Riley Sveistrup	100%	May 5, 2025
Ashly Hyde	87.5%	September 2, 2025
Joel Ulrich	100%	September 2, 2025
Brooke Vuignier	100%	September 2, 2025

R. McCutcheon - P. Verwey - Carried

03:15:25 Motion

That the following teacher(s) be employed on a Teacher Term Contract:

Blaine Boyle	50%	April 7, 2025 to June 20, 2025
Teph Clink	100%	May 5, 2025 to June 6, 2025
Jayson Brooks	100%	September 2, 2025 to June 30, 2026
Rhys Fletcher	100%	September 2, 2025 to June 30, 2026

D. MacDonald - D. Otsuji - Carried

03:16:25 Motion

That the Portage Collegiate Institute Field Trip for Grade 9 to 12 students to travel to Greece from March 23, 2028, to April 4, 2028, be approved in principle. The trip will give students firsthand experience regarding ancient history, art and culture while fostering global awareness, cultural appreciation and personal growth.

D. Smoke - T. Asham - Carried

03:17:25 Motion

That Katie Knowles' Teacher General Contract be increased from 50% to 75% for the period of April 7 to June 27, 2025.

S. Leslie - G. Waldvogel - Carried

03:18:25 Motion

That Brynn Irwin's Teacher General Contract be increased from 50% to 75% for the period of April 17 to June 27, 2025.

R. McCutcheon - P. Verwey - Carried

03:19:25 Motion

That the following accounts be approved:

FEBRUARY 2025 Accounts Payable	\$2,708,459.45
FEBRUARY 2025 Net Payroll	<u>\$2,056,764.59</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,765,224.04

D. Smoke - D. MacDonald - Carried

03:20:25 Motion

That the 2025-2026 Operating Budget for The Portage la Prairie School Division will be set at \$56,275,291.

G. Waldvogel - T. Asham - Carried

03:21:25 Motion

That the retirement of Darren Reichert, Teacher, be approved effective June 27, 2025.

P. Verwey - R. McCutcheon - Carried

C. TRUSTEE MEETINGS OF INTEREST:

- Trustees Asham, McCutcheon, Verwey, Otsuji, Lesley, MacDonald and Waldvogel attended the MSBA Conference
- Trustee McCutcheon read a story for I Love to Read month
- Trustee Otsuji attended the middle years badminton tournament
- Trustees Otsuji and Leslie attended the PCI Saints Hockey playoff games

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S DEPARTMENT REPORT:

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1. Administrative Day - April 11
2. Letter to Parents Regarding Measles

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1. Congratulations to the PCI Saints Female Hockey Team
2. Spring Break
3. Reminder of the Board Meeting Schedule Changes effective April 2025

E. OTHER BUSINESS

F. INFORMATION ITEMS:

Emailed Copies:

- E-News dated March 19, 2025

G. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- April 8, 2025 - Committee of the Whole
- April 22, 2025 - Regular Board Meeting
- May 13, 2025 - Committee of the Whole
- May 27, 2025 - Regular Board Meeting
- June 10, 2025 - Committee of the Whole
- June 11, 2025 - Long Service Dinner
- June 24, 2025 - Regular Board Meeting

H. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

I. NEWS MEDIA QUESTIONS:

J. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

03:22:25 Motion:

That the Board resolves into committee of the whole, in camera.

P. Verwey - D. Otsuji - Carried

03:23:25 Motion:

That the Board rises without reporting.

P. Verwey - D. Otsuji - Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT:

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 9:46 p.m.
