

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

June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Board Room of the Division Office in Whitecourt, AB

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## Opening

### Call to Order and Roll Call

## A. Opening

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017, meeting was called to order by Chair Muir at 10:04 a.m.

Chair Judy Muir, Trustees, Cindy Granley, Jim Hailes, Sherry Jeffreys, Albert Schalm, Terry Slemko, Gerry Steinke and Administrators Kevin Andrea, Superintendent, Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer, Milly McGregor, Assistant Secretary and Wendy Robertson, Recording Secretary, were present at this time.

Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer was present at this time.

Trustees Jim Govenlock and Robyn O'Neill were absent from the meeting.

Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent, was absent from the meeting.

**Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

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Addition:

- D.4.a) Onoway High Field Trip
- D.4.b) Mayerthorpe High Field Trip
- E.12.a) ASBOA Discussion Paper re: PO&M Funding
- E.12.b) YRL Report

**Acceptance of Agenda**

**3. Acceptance of Agenda**

3624-17

Moved by Trustee Jeffreys– that the agenda for the June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried

**Minutes of the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Board Meeting**

**C. Minutes of the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Board Meeting**

3625-17

Moved by Trustee Hailes– that the minutes of the June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

**Action Items**

**D. Action Items**

**Budget Report**

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3626-17

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the Board approve the Budget Report for the year ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 as presented..

Motion Carried

**By-Law No. 7-17  
(Modified Voting  
Procedure)**

**By-Law No. 7-17 (Modified Voting Procedure)**

3627-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that By-Law 7-17 (Modified Voting Procedure) receive first reading by the Board.

Motion Carried

3628-17

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that By-Law 7-17 (Modified Voting Procedure) receive second reading by the Board.

Motion Carried

3629-17

Moved by Trustee Jeffreys – that the Board approve to conduct the third reading of By-Law 7-17 (Modified Voting Procedure).

Motion Carried Unanimously

3630-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that By-Law 7-17 (Modified Voting Procedure) receive third and final reading by the Board.

Motion Carried

**ASBA Survey - Legalization  
of Marijuana**

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Chair Muir to email Survey Link to trustees to complete if they choose to.

**Additional Action Items**

**Onoway Jr/Sr High School Field Trip**

3631-17

**Additional Action Items**

**Onoway Jr/Sr High School Field Trip**

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that the Board approve in principle the Onoway Jr/Sr High School International EF Tour to London, Paris, Switzerland, Munich, and Vienna, scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Motion Carried

**Mayerthorpe Jr/Sr High School Field Trip**

3632-17

**Mayerthorpe High School Field Trip**

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the Board approve in principle the Mayerthrope Jr/Sr High School and Sangudo Community School Grade 9 students’ International field trip to Greece, scheduled for April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

Motion Carried

**Information/Reports**

**ASBA/PSBAA Update**

E.

**Information Reports**

**ASBA/PSBAA Update**

*Zone 2/3 Invitation to 2017 Advocacy Event:*

The Advocacy MLA lunch event is scheduled for June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the Regional Collaborative Delivery Service model for wrap around services and to use the Story Boards to help explain the importance of locally elected Trustees to the MLA’s.

PSBAA:

No report.

## Superintendent's Report

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Written report provided for information.

## Finance

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Report provided for information

## Bill 1 – School Fees

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Provided for information.

Effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 all parents are exempt from paying instructional fees. Administration will be sending a letter home to parents with further information.

## Town of Onoway Meeting Report

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Trustees and administration met with the Town of Onoway Council and CAO to discuss the use of the Onoway High School inside running track. Administration provided the Town of Onoway with details of how the track can be accessed by the public and that a schedule will be provided.

The Town of Onoway did request their \$100,000 donation they made towards the new Onoway School build to be returned. It was determined by both parties the \$100,000 will be used to put in a sidewalk on Town property where students walk to the elementary school.

Northern Gateway administration would still like to work towards a Joint Use Agreement with the Town of Onoway and the Town agreed.

**Police Incident  
and School Response**

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On June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:30 p.m., two Northern Gateway Schools (Percy Baxter and Whitecourt Central) were put on a lockout, due to an armed robbery at the Scotia Bank in Whitecourt.

The lockout lasted from 1:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.

Division administration will be meeting with Whitecourt RCMP to review the proper protocol involved during this type of situation, which includes the use of social media.

**Letter from Minister  
Eggen**

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Provided for information.

Board Chair will send a letter to Trustee Lois Byers and Superintendent of Schools, Gord Atkinson to discuss the expansion of Northern Gateway School Division's boundaries into the Northland School Division boundary.

**Review of Bill 203:  
Alberta Standard  
Time Act**

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Provided for information.

**Board Communications**

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Letters provided for information.

**Motion Review Cycle**

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Provided for information.

## Trustee Reports

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### Terry Slemko

Looking forward to all the year-end activities/ awards.

Trustee Slemko read a letter from 1920 from an Inspector of Schools, regarding Board meeting/ Minute process.

### Cindy Granley

Trustee Granley attended Hilltop High's/Colour/Athletic Awards held on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Very well done.

### Sherry Jeffreys

Parents are having issues with the new assignable hours for teachers.

### Judy Muir

Chair Muir attended the play production by the Mayerthorpe High students. Great job!

## Additional Report Items

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### ASBOA Discussion Paper

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Provided for information.

## YRL Report

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Yellowhead Regional Library Board meeting held on June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

- The 2017-2018 operating grants will be based on 2016 official populations.

- Six regional library systems will receive funding for headquarter building infrastructure upgrades (based on previous government commissioned assessment reports and adjusted for inflation). YRL will receive 1.3 million.
- The Board agreed with the Executive Committee recommendation to keep the 2018 local rates unchanged for municipalities and school divisions.
- Funding for Indigenous populations will continue for 2017-2018. \$58,000 will go to enhancing libraries for the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation, Paul First Nation and Ermineskin Cree Nation.

3633-17

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that the Board accept Information/Reports E1 – E12 as information.

Motion Carried

Topics for Future Discussions

F. Topics for Future Discussions

Nil

Requests for Information

G. Requests for Information

Nil

Meeting Highlights

H. Meeting Highlights

1. Budget
2. School Lockouts
3. Instructional Fees



Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer, left the meeting at 1:22 p.m.

Jordan Cleland, Cleland Consulting, entered the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

**In-Camera Items**

**I. In-Cameral Items**

3634-17

Moved by Trustee Jeffreys – that the Board go in-camera at 1:24 p.m. and that Kevin Andrea, Michael Gramatovich, Milly McGregor, Lisa Bakos, and Jordan Cleland be invited to remain.

Motion Carried

Jordan Cleland left the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

3635-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke—that the Board come out of in-camera at 2:43 p.m.

Motion Carried

3636-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that the Board accept the Cleland presentation as information.

Motion Carried.

3637-17

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that the Board accept the Support/Admin Compensation Committee recommendations of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as presented.

3638-17

Motion Carried

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that the Board excuse Trustee O’Neill’s absence from the May 23<sup>rd</sup>, June 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Board meetings.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

I. Adjournment

3639-17

Moved by Trustee Steinke- that the meeting be adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Motion Carried

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer