

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

October 18th, 2016

Board Room of the Division Office in Whitecourt, AB

Opening

A. Opening

**Call to Order
and Roll Call**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The October 18th, 2016 meeting was called to order by Chair Muir at 1:04 p.m.

Chair Judy Muir, Trustees, Jim Govenlock, Cindy Granley, Jim Hailes, Sherry Jeffreys, Robyn O'Neill, Terry Slemko, Gerry Steinke, and Administrators Kevin Andrea, Superintendent, Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent, Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wendy Robertson, Recording Secretary, were present at this time.

Rhett Czaban, Director of Transportation and Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer and were present at this time.

Milly McGregor, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer was absent from the meeting.

**Additions/Deletions
to the Agenda**

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E. 3 a) Enrolment Recovery & Impact on Budgets
E.11 a) Board Survey – Ward Revisions
E.11 b) Update on Lafarge Request
I.3 a) ASBA News Release

Acceptance of Agenda

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3. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved by Trustee Govenlock– that the agenda for the October 18th, 2016 Regular Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried

Draft Minutes of the October 4th, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

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C. Draft Minutes of the October 4th, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

Moved by Trustee Govenlock – that the draft minutes of the October 4th, 2016 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

Action Items

D. Action Items

Nil

Additional Action Items

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Nil

Information/Reports

E. Information Reports

ASBA/PSBAA Update

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No report.

PSBAA

No report.

Superintendent's Report

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Written report provided for information.

Addition report items:

Board Signage:

Administration has been looking into the cost of signage along Hwy 43 showing our jurisdiction boundaries. Costing varies greatly depending on the area. Trustee Slemko to provide further information on the Carvel Corner area.

Capital Project:

Alberta Education has confirmed dates to the scoping of the Valleyview Capital Project, to determine which direction Northern Gateway will proceed; modernization or new build.
November 16th, 2016 – tour of facility (a.m.)
November 16th & 17th, 2016 – Agenda to follow.

Board Presentations by Students:

Student presentations to the Board will begin on November 15th with Sherry Howey and Oscar Adolphson students presenting on their outdoor learning space.

Finance

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Bank Statements as of August 31st, 2016 and September 30th, 2016, provided for information.

Quarterly Report provided for information.

Enrolment Recovery Report provided for information.

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Moved by Trustee Govenlock – that administration be directed to recover from the 2016-17 school budgets the allotted funds as proposed at the rate of \$161.819/per FTE student.

Motion Carried

Leslee Jodry, Assistant Superintendent and Jennifer Ferguson, Learning Services Coordinator, entered the meeting at 1:46 p.m.

Group Benefits Meeting Record

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Report provided for information.
Trustee Govenlock reviewed the record.

Appointments and Delegations

B. Appointments and Delegations

Leslee Jodry and Jennifer Ferguson, presented the Division Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Results to the Board.

It was shared that NGPS has improved in 13 of the 16 measures on the annual provincial accountability pillar.

Report provided for information.

Leslee Jodry and Jennifer Ferguson completed their report and left the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Meeting with Lac Ste. Anne

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Chair Muir reported on the October 13th, 2016 meeting.

Board did their presentation and discussions were held on:

- Enrolment trends
- New Onoway High School update
- Joint Use Agreement
- Rochfort Bridge Colony School
- Funding for Outreach Schools
- Home Schooling
- Communication Towers
- Library Agreement

Additional Report Items

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Ward Revision Survey

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Administration provided a proposed survey to send to stakeholders regarding the ward revision to reduce the number of trustees from 9 to 7.

Amendments to the Survey will be made and the results will be presented to the Board at another Board meeting.

Update on Lafarge Request

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Lafarge proposed to mine through Rge Rd 20 from Twp Rd 543 to Twp Rd 544 south of Onoway. There is one school bus that travels on Rge Rd 20. Lafarge would like to meet with Northern Gateway to discuss concerns and possible solutions during the road closure.

Northern Gateway's Director of Transportation did respond advising Northern Gateway is strongly opposed to these proposed operations until we are provided with a plan for a temporary road between Twp Rd 543 and 544, located close to the current location of Rge Rd 20.

Further discussions will continue.

Rhett Czaban, Director of Transportation, completed his update and left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

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Moved by Trustee Jeffreys – that the Board accept Information/Reports E1- E11 as information.

Motion Carried

Trustee Govenlock absent for vote.

Topics for Future Discussions

F. Topics for Future Discussions

Home Education

Requests for Information

G. Requests for Information

Meeting Highlights

H. Meeting Highlights

1. Organizational Meeting
2. Achievement Results Presentation

In-Camera Items

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G. In-Cameral Items

Moved by Trustee Steinke– that the Board go in-camera at 4:03 p.m. and that Kevin Andrea, Michelle Brennick and Michael Gramatovich be invited to remain.

Motion Carried

Trustee Schalm left the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

Trustee Slemko left the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

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Moved by Trustee Hailes – that the Board come out of in-camera at 4:45 p.m.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

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I. Adjournment

Moved by Trustee Granley - that the meeting be adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

Motion Carried

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer