

**FORT VERMILION SCHOOL DIVISION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 24, 2024**

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ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:

Mr. Marc Beland, Board Chair
Mr. Tim Driedger, Board Vice Chair
Mr. Dale Lederer
Mrs. Linda Kowal
Mr. Shane Lloyd
Mrs. Amanda Paul
Mr. Henry Goertzen
Mr. Benjamin Friesen
Mr. John Zacharias

Administration Present:

Mr. Michael McMann, Superintendent
Mr. Norman Buhler, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Terry Gibson, Associate Superintendent
Mrs. Natalie Morris, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Gilbert Morris, Supervisor of Learning
Mrs. Sharon McLean, Supervisor of Learning
Mrs. Darlene Bergen, Executive Assistant
Mrs. Chandra Tincombe, Public Engagement Coordinator

Guests:

Mr. Grant Charles, Principal RLNS
Mrs. Cynthia White, Assistant Principal RLNS
Mr. Chris Fehr, Principal BHPS
Mr. Dale Driedger, Assistant Principal, BHPS
Mrs. Lana Halladay, Educational Assistant, BHPS
Ms. Melissa McDonald, Teacher, BHPS

ATA Representative:

Mr. Fred Kirby, President

Board Chairman, Marc Beland, called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

24-01-17105
IN-CAMERA

Amanda Paul moved that the Board of Trustees go in-camera at 10:04 a.m.

CARRIED

Mr. John Zacharias joined the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

24-01-17106
REVERT TO PUBLIC
MEETING

Benjamin Friesen moved that the Board of Trustees move out of in camera at 2:10 p.m.

CARRIED

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24-01-17107 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
FOCUS ON STUDENT Package.
ACHIEVEMENT –
ROCKY LANE Linda Kowal moved that the Board of Trustees accept the Focus on
SCHOOL Student Achievement – Rocky Lane School Report.
CARRIED

24-01-17108 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
FOCUS ON STUDENT Package.
ACHIEVEMENT –
BUFFALO HEAD John Zacharias moved that the Board of Trustees accept the Focus
PRAIRIE SCHOOL on Student Achievement – Buffalo Head Prairie School Report.
CARRIED

24-01-17109 Tim Driedger moved that the Board of Trustees approve the agenda
APPROVAL OF with the following additional item:
AGENDA 1. School Calendar
2. Religious and Patriotic Instruction or Exercises
3. Superintendent of Schools Regulation
4. Board Priority # 4 – Board Policy 1.6 Current Priorities
CARRIED

24-01-17110 Amanda Paul moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes
APPROVAL OF of the Regular Board Meeting held November 29, 2023, as
MINUTES presented.
CARRIED

BOARD None.
COMMUNICATIONS

TRUSTEE SHARING None.
ON PD/COMMITTEES

DELEGATIONS OR None.
EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

**MONITORING
REPORTS**

24-01-17111 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
SUPERINTENDENT'S Package.
REPORT Linda Kowal moved that the Board of Trustees accept the
Superintendent's Report as information.
CARRIED

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24-01-17112 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
FINANCE REPORT Package.

John Zacharias moved that the Board of Trustees accept the
Finance Report as of December 31, 2023.

CARRIED

24-01-17113 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
FISCAL QUARTERLY Package.
ACCOUNTABILITY
REPORT

Dale Lederer moved that the Board of Trustees approve the Fiscal
Quarterly Accountability Report.

CARRIED

24-01-17114 Report found in the January 24, 2024, Regular Board Meeting
FUNDRAISING Package.
REPORT

Shane Lloyd moved that the Board of Trustees accept the 2022-
2023 Fundraising Report.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

24-01-17115 Dale Lederer moved that the Board of Trustees give second reading
DRAFT BOARD to Board Policy 1.9 Values.
POLICY 1.9 VALUES

CARRIED

24-01-17116 Marc Beland moved to have a recorded vote.
SCHOOL CALENDAR

CARRIED

24-01-17117 Tim Driedger moved that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024-
SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025 School Calendar as presented.

Amanda Paul – In Favour
Dale Lederer – In Favour
Shane Lloyd – In Favour
Tim Driedger – In Favour
Marc Beland – Opposed
Benjamin Friesen – In Favour
Henry Goertzen – In Favour
John Zacharias – In Favour
Linda Kowal – In Favour

CARRIED

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| 24-01-17118
RELIGIOUS AND
PATRIOTIC
INSTRUCTION OR
EXERCISES | Benjamin Friesen moved that the Board of Trustees endorse Administration in the development of an Administrative Guideline that all schools will play the national anthem daily and the Lord's Prayer will be played in the following schools daily based on their community values: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Blue Hills Community School• Buffalo Head Prairie School• Sand Hills Elementary School• Ridgeview Central School• La Crete Public School• Hill Crest Community School• St. Mary's Catholic School• Fort Vermilion Public School• Upper Hay River School | CARRIED |
| 24-01-17119
SUPERINTENDENT
OF SCHOOLS
REGULATION | John Zacharias moved that the Board of Trustees adjust the Superintendent of Schools base salary to the maximum amount in reflection of the changes to the Superintendent of Schools Regulation effective January 1, 2024. | CARRIED |
| 24-01-17120
BOARD POLICY 1.6
CURRENT
PRIORITIES | Shane Lloyd moved that the Board of Trustees give first reading to Board Policy 1.6 Current Priorities as amended. | CARRIED |
| 24-01-17121
BOARD POLICY 1.6
CURRENT
PRIORITIES | Benjamin Friesen moved that the Board of Trustees give second reading to Board Policy 1.6 Current Priorities as amended. | CARRIED |
| 24-01-17122
BOARD POLICY 1.6
CURRENT
PRIORITIES | Linda Kowal moved that the Board of Trustees unanimously agree to grant leave to proceed with third and final reading to Board Policy 1.6 Current Priorities as amended. | CARRIED |
| 24-01-17123
BOARD POLICY 1.6
CURRENT
PRIORITIES | Dale Lederer moved that the Board of Trustees give third and final reading to Board Policy 1.6 Current Priorities as amended. A copy of the Policy is attached. | CARRIED |

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24-01-17124
ADJOURNMENT

Marc Beland moved that the Board of Trustees adjourn the meeting
at 3:12 p.m.

CARRIED

(original signed)
Board Chair

(original signed)
Associate Superintendent of
Finance