



Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of  
Grande Yellowhead Public School Division

**Meeting Number 1**

August 25, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

Education Services Center, Edson, AB

Virtual Meeting Location

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TRUSTEE ATTENDANCE:

E. Aust	Present
S. Caputo	Present
K. Fate	Present
F. Fowler	Present
D. Karpluk	Present
B. Rosadiuk, Chair	Present
J. Zaporosky, Vice Chair	Present

ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE:

- C. Lewis, Superintendent
- S. Nicholson, Secretary-Treasurer
- C. Kastrinos, Chief Deputy Superintendent
- K. Harding, Managing Director – Board Relations and Communications
- C. Aschenmeier, Managing Director of Learning Services
- E. Murphy, Director of Inclusive Learning
- S. Ripkins, Supervisor, Learning Services and Educational Technology
- L. Lee, Director of Technology
- B. Orge, Acting Director – Facility Services
- K. Brook, Executive Assistant
- A. Beaverbones, Transportation Officer via Videoconference

DELEGATIONS PRESENT: Videoconference

- ATA - Bryan Williams
- CUPE – Donna Conger
- School Administration/Staff – Authur Cota, Darcy Reynolds, Darron Lorne, Jackie Mines,
- Community Member – Sierra Howe, Shanda Hibbs, Jeff Smeal, Keli Setzer, Matthew Goddard, Sarah McMelon, Jennifer Blahun

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Rosadiuk called the meeting to order at 1001 hours.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome back

Instructions from Minister of Education

Excited to see students back in person

Campus GYPSD

Alberta Municipal Election is coming up as well at the Federal Election

Update on the Modernization in Evansburg

## **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**2021-105**

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board approve the agenda.

**Carried**

**2021-106**

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Trustee Zaporosky moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Public Board Meeting of June 16, 2021.

**Carried**

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None.

### **DELEGATION / PRESENTATION**

None.

### **BOARD CHAIR REPORT**

Chair Rosadiuk Shared:

- Alberta Education School Immunization Initiative
- Enhancing Parent Engagement in School Councils - Grant Governance
- Attendance at the IA Airshow and Aviation program

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Lewis reported on all the activities she has been leading since the last Public Board meeting on June 16, 2021.

### **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

None.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**2021-107**

#### **Board Self Evaluation 2020/21**

Trustee Karpluk moved that the Board approve the 2020/21 Board Self-evaluation Report as developed at the facilitated workshop on June 23, 2021, and that the Board Chair be authorized to monitor the priorities and suggestions agreed to and bring items forward for the Board consideration as deemed appropriate.

**Carried**

**2021-108**

#### **Superintendent Evaluation 2020/21**

Trustee Fate moved that the Board approve the *Superintendent Evaluation Report* as developed during the evaluation workshop of June 22, 2021, as an accurate accounting of the Superintendent's performance for the period of June 24, 2020, to June 21, 2021. Furthermore, that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chair to make any required technical edits and to sign the report on the Board's behalf.

**Carried**

**2021-109**

**Updated Addendum**

Trustee Zaporosky moved that the Board approve the Board Chair be authorized to execute an addendum to the Superintendent's employment contract.

**Carried**

**2021-110**

**Borrowing Resolution**

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board authorize the borrowing of up to \$400,000 with ATB Financial for the 2021/22 school year.

**Carried**

**2021-111**

**GYPSD COVID-19 Mandates**

Trustee Fate moved that the Board for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) approve a motion to implement the Health Best Practices and the continued use of the Alberta Health Daily checklist, as recommended by the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Minister of Education, to minimize the transmission of COVID-19 virus within the Division's schools.

**2021-112**

**Friendly Amendment to Motion 2021-111**

Trustee Karpluk requested a friendly amendment as follows:  
That the Board for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) approve a motion to implement the Health Best Practices and the continued use of the Alberta Health Daily checklist, as recommended by the Chief Medical Officer of Health and the Minister of Education. In addition, mandate the use of masks by staff and students in Grade 4-12, with optional use of masks for students in K-3 until such times as the virus is no longer a threat to school operations, with exception to high schools who have reached Vaccination levels of herd immunity, and that we continue to cohort students and limit visitors with safety measures to be evaluated regularly, to minimize the transmission of COVID-19 virus within the Division's schools.

**Carried**

The Public Board Meeting recessed at 1115 hours.

The Public Board Meeting reconvened at 1125 hours.

**2021-113**

**In-Camera**

Trustee Rosadiuk moved that the Board go in-camera at 1138 hours.

**Carried**

2021-114

**Out of Camera**

Trustee Fate moved that the Board come out of camera at 1350 hours.

**Carried**

2021-115

**Motion to Amend the Action Item 8.2.5**

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board amend the previous decision (**motion 2021-112**) on Action Item 8.2.5.; Trustee Fate Seconded.

**Carried**

2021-116

**Be it Amended**

Trustee Fowler moved that the Board for Grande Yellowhead Public School Division (GYPSD) approve a motion to implement cohorting, the recommended Health Best Practices, and the continued use of the Alberta Health Daily checklist, as recommended by the Chief Medical Officer of Health; in addition, the Board strongly encourages the use of masks in common areas and situations where physical distancing cannot be maintained to minimize the transmission of COVID-19 virus within the Division's schools. The Board will closely monitor the most current situation in our respective communities to update and revise our use of masks.

**Carried**

**ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

**Kick Off 2021 Update**

C. Aschenmeier provided the Board with an update on the upcoming Kick Off event.

**Board Annual Work Plan, Policy 2, Appendix A**

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed Board Policy 02, Appendix A – Board Annual Work Plan.

**Transportation Report**

C. Lewis and S. Nicholson gave the Board an update on Transportation Services.

**Modernization at Evansburg**

S. Nicholson gave a report on the Modernization process at Grand Trunk High School.

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

**Board Policy Committee**

No Report.

**Recognition of Employees Committee**

Trustee Aust updated the Board on the work the Recognition of Employees Committee has been doing in preparation for Kick Off 2021.

### **Board Planning Seminar Committee**

No Report.

### **Board Negotiations Committee**

No Report.

### **Board Representatives**

- **PSBAA – Work Plan Update**
  - Attended a PSBAA event in Edmonton on August 11-13
  - Tour of Thelma Chalifoux School in EPSB
  - Business meeting
  - Budget/Election items advanced to fall meeting for vote
  
- **ASBA Zone 2/3**
  - No Report

### **FUTURE BUSINESS**

#### **Meeting Dates**

Board – Open to Public

September 8, 2021 Public Board Meeting (10:00 a.m.)

Committees – Closed to Public

September 8, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting (9:00 a.m.)

#### **Notice of Motion**

ASBA Community Engagement Award

#### **Topics for Future Agendas**

International and Out-of-Province Field Trips

#### **Requests for Information**

Trustee Karpluk requested information on the Curriculum Working Group's review of the draft K-6 curriculum.

#### **Response for Requests for Information**

Dr. Harding informed the Board that there is a report from the Curriculum Working Group on the draft K-6 curriculum scheduled for February 23, 2022, as per the Board Report Schedule.

2021-117

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Trustee Fate moved for adjournment at 1450 hours.

**Carried**



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Brenda Rosadiuk  
Board Chair



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Sean Nicholson  
Secretary-Treasurer