



**Sunrise School Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes Regular
March 4, 2025
7:00 p.m.**

PRESENT:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Trustee Magnan, Chair
Trustee Harris, Vice Chair
Trustee Boitson
Trustee Nichol
Trustee Roeland
Trustee Wilson, via teleconference
Trustee Smith
Trustee Dent
Trustee Rowan

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Trevor Reid, Superintendent
Jody Thiessen, Secretary-Treasurer
Lars Feilberg, Assistant Superintendent
Sara Scott, Executive Assistant

REGRETS:

- 1.0 Call to Order
 - 1.1 Call to Order
 - Call to Order
 - 7:12 pm
 - Due to technical difficulties board meeting started late.
- 1.2 O Canada
 - Gillis School
- 1.3 Treaty Acknowledgement read by Trustee Dent
- 2.0 Adoption of Agenda
 - 2.1 Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0117

Moved by **Trustee Dent** Seconded by **Trustee Nichol**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board approve the agenda.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**.
The motion: **Carried 9 – 0**.

3.0 Chairman's comments

3.1 Chair's Comments

Send all questions to Jody.Thiessen@sunrisesd.ca
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3.2 Share a Story

I just want to thank everyone around our board table for their participation throughout the budget preparation process. It has been an extremely busy month, lots of very productive discussions and deliberations. I have really appreciated and welcomed the various points of view as we all worked towards creating a budget that supports achieving the goals of the school division. Tonight, we will vote on the outcome of our efforts. After each meeting, I left this room knowing that our students and staff are supported and appreciated, which was reflected in the considerations that took place. I especially want to thank Jody, Trevor and Lars for gathering all the information we requested and needed, in order to make the decisions that we felt were best. Your patience, guidance, ability to answer all our questions is greatly appreciated. Thank-you Sara, for keeping us on track. The lateness of our funding announcement caused the need to cancel and reschedule meetings, and you made sure that our calendars were always up to date and that we were organized and ready for meetings. Thank-you to my fellow trustees. After each meeting, and there were many, I felt supported, respected and truly part of a team. I cannot think of a better group of people to work with. I look forward to continuing our work together. (Trustee Boitson)

The Grade 9-12 students from Whitemouth School went to Falcon Ridge Ski Resort. Our students were very polite and respectful to all staff and were asked to come back. They said this was one of the best classes they've ever worked with! A week ago, one of the teachers, Mrs. Foubert, staff and Whitemouth PAC put on a Festival du Voyageur event. There were pancakes for everybody in the morning and Bannock for K-6 students. There were presentations on fur trapping, dog sledding, and making moose calls. There was also syrup making in the snow afterwards, ring toss and hot chocolate all day. I'd like to thank the PAC for spending the whole day helping the teachers and staff put on a wonderful Festival du Voyageur. (Trustee Nichol)

I'd like to thank both École Dugald School and Oakbank Elementary School for having me out to read to their students for "I Love to Read Month". I loved having the opportunity to do this and look forward to going again next year! I'd also like to give a huge shout out to the École Dugald School for the drama

production they put on. It was a fantastic performance! I'd also like to thank everyone that came out to support the SCI PAC Quiz Night. It was a great night of fun and games. Looking ahead, SCI has their parent orientation night on Thursday, May 6 at 6:30 pm. This is an opportunity for parents considering sending their child to SCI to check out the school and learn more about it. Oakbank Parents for Ukrainian Education has their next meeting coming up on Monday, March 10 at 6:30 pm in the OBE library. (Trustee Rowan)

Trustee Boitson, I don't think I could have said it any better—you were very eloquent in what you said, so no use in repeating it. But a reminder, March is always an issue for school divisions and senior administration regarding budgets and school boards for passing budgets—we're planning on passing one tonight. A lot of hard work from your team Trevor--so thanks very much for that and thanks to the people around this table for the work. Thanks for the challenges that everyone had to go ahead and get challenged on at times. Trustee Dent you said it very well earlier, that certainly not everyone agrees, but the conversations we have around here and everybody being able to listen to everybody's opinions has been very respectful. So, thanks to everybody for that. I appreciate that. Shout out to Powerview School and all of our schools for "I Love to Read Month" that just passed and the work that everyone did. The continued work, whether at Powerview School or any of our schools, that our staff are doing for students not only in the classroom but also outside the classroom. Kudos to our staff for all the work they are doing throughout the division. (Trustee Magnan)

4.0 Board Delegation and School Division Educational Showcasing

4.1 École Powerview School, Interim Principal Mary-Jo Hovorka-Seymour, Assistant Principal, Larry Sharpe, and Assistant Principal Andrew Klaprat

Information/report presented to and received by the board

5.0 Minutes

5.1 February 18, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0118

Moved by **Trustee Smith** Seconded by **Trustee Nichol**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adopt the February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **8** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**
The motion: **Carried 8 – 0.**

Paul Magnan	Yes
Robin Harris	Yes
Lorraine Boitson	Yes
Don Nichol	Yes
Alicia Smith	Yes

Malissa Rowan	Abstain
Dustin Dent	Yes
Dianne Roeland	Yes
Donna Wilson	Yes

5.2 February 25, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0119

Moved by **Trustee Boitson** Seconded by **Trustee Rowan**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adopt the February 25, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**
The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

6.0 Superintendent's Report

6.1 Superintendent's Report

Information/report presented by the Superintendent/CEO to and received by the board

6.2 Board Reporting Schedule

Information/report presented by the Superintendent/CEO to and received by the board

7.0 Secretary-Treasurer's Report

7.1 Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Information/report presented by the Secretary-Treasurer to and received by the board

8.0 Board Business

8.1 Budget 2025-2026

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0120

Moved by **Trustee Nichol** Seconded by **Trustee Smith**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board give final approval to the 2025-2026 Operating Budget totaling \$87,541,425 in Operating Expenditures and transfers to capital excluding Adult Learning Centres.

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approve the Special Requirement for the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year be set at \$55,333,143 resulting in the Special Levy for 2025 for all Municipalities being set at \$49,238,051.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**
The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

8.2 MSBA Board Ballots

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0121

Moved by **Trustee Rowan** Seconded by **Trustee Dent**

BE IT RESOLVED that Trustee Boitson is authorized to receive the Sunrise School Division Board ballots at the Manitoba School Boards Association Convention 2025.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**
The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

8.3 Bus Purchases

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0122

Moved by **Trustee Smith** Seconded by **Trustee Nichol**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the board approve the purchase of up to seven (7) buses subject to budget capacity and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the board approve the transfer from the bus reserve to support the purchase of the buses.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**
The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

8.4 Monthly Enrolment

Information/report presented by the Superintendent/CEO to and received by the board

A) Committee Reports and Recommendations

8.5 Policy Committee update – Policy Committee Chair – Trustee Rowan

Last meeting: February 6, 2025
Upcoming Meeting: March 13, 2025

8.6 Policy Committee meeting minutes – N/A

8.7 Policy #6: Board Policy Development, Review and Amendment Processes

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0123

Moved by **Trustee Rowan** Seconded by **Trustee Boitson**

BE IT RESOLVED that the board accept the recommended changes to Policy #6, as suggested.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**

The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

8.8 Policy #11: Contingency Planning

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0124

Moved by **Trustee Rowan** Seconded by **Trustee Dent**

BE IT RESOLVED that the board accept the recommended changes to Policy #11, as suggested.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**

The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

8.9 Finance Committee – Finance Committee Chair – Trustee Nichol

Last meeting: February 20, 2025
Upcoming Meeting date: March 27, 2025

Signing authority for March 2025 Trustee Nichol

8.10 Finance Committee Minutes – February 20, 2025

8.11 Finance Committee Cheque Register – January 2025

MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0125

Moved by **Trustee Nichol** Seconded by **Trustee Boitson**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board receive the cheque register with total amount of cheques issued \$3,792,279.80 reviewed on February 20, 2025 by the Finance Committee for information as submitted.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**

The motion: **Carried 9 – 0.**

- 8.12 Education Foundation Committee
 - Last meeting: November 28, 2024
 - Upcoming Meeting date: March 12, 2025

- 8.13 Education Foundation Committee Minutes – N/A

- 8.19 Ad Hoc Land Planning Committee Update – Committee Chair – Trustee Rowan
 - Last meeting November 28, 2024
 - Upcoming Meeting date: TBD

- 8.20 Ad Hoc Land Planning Committee minutes – N/A

- 9.0 Professional Development
 - 9.1 MSBA Convention 2025, March 20-21, 2025 Delta Hotel, Winnipeg, MB
 - 9.2 CAPSLE Conference 2025, April 9-11, Fairmont Hotel, Banff, AB
 - 9.3 CSBA Congress 2025, July 2-5, 2025, Delta Hotel, Winnipeg, MB

- 10.0 Divisional Financial Summary Report
 - 10.1 Divisional Financial Summary Report January 2025

- 11.0 Board Correspondence
 - 11.1 Chairperson Correspondence – Sent/Received

- 12.0 Nice to Know Information Items
 - 12.1 Barons Host MHSAA Curling Championships, The Clipper, February 20, 2025
 - 12.2 High School Hockey Round Up, The Clipper, February 20, 2025
 - 12.3 Barons JV Girls Zone 13 Champs, The Clipper, February 27, 2025
 - A) Upcoming Meetings:
 - 12.4 Regular Board Meeting – March 18, 2025
 - 12.5 Regular Board Meeting – April 8, 2025

- 13.0 Press Releases

- 14.0 Questions from the Public
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 - Send all questions to Jody.Thiessen@sunrisesd.ca
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- 15.0 Move into in camera

16.0 Move into Regular

17.0 Items from in camera

17.1 **MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0126**

Moved by **Trustee Boitson** Seconded by **Trustee Nichol**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board offer the position of Director of Human Resources effective as soon as can be arranged, as recommended by the interview committee.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**

The motion: **Carried 9 - 0.**

17.2 **MOTION # 24-25/3-4/0127**

Moved by **Trustee Boitson** Seconded by **Trustee Rowan**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board authorize the interview committee to offer the position of Maintenance Manager to the recommended individual, effective as soon as can be arranged.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **9** Nay: **0**

The motion: **Carried 9 - 0.**

18.0 Adjournment

18.1 Adjournment

Adjourn 8:30 PM

"Original Signed by"

Chairperson

"Original Signed by"

Secretary-Treasurer