



Board of Trustees  
Regular Board Meeting  
**April 16, 2026**

Date: April 16, 2026  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Location: Central Operations

Members Present: Board Chair Lacey Buchinski  
Vice Chair David Rushton  
Trustee Marie Dyck  
Trustee Wanda Laurin  
Trustee Paul Quinney  
Trustee Janet Przybylski  
Trustee Edith Giesbrecht

Staff Present: Superintendent Jeff Thompson  
Secretary-Treasurer Rhonda Freeman  
Deputy Superintendent (Acting) Aleeta Ploc  
Assistant Superintendent Cheryl Gascoyne  
Executive Assistant Chris Warne

Staff Present Virtually Communications Coordinator Kristin Dyck

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Buchinski.

### 1.1 Land Acknowledgement

Board Chair Buchinski gave the land acknowledgement.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

### 2.1. MINUTES

- 2.1.1. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Board on March 26, 2026
- 2.1.2. Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Board on April 9, 2026

### 2.2. SUBSTANTIVE MOTIONS

### 2.3. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- 2.3.1. Financial Monthly Report - none

### 2.4. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 2.5. TRUSTEE SCHOOL/COMMUNITY REPORTS

- 2.5.1. 20260203 February 3 Menno Simons School Council Minutes (Giesbrecht)
- 2.5.2. 20260211 February 11 MACS Council Minutes (Buchinski)
- 2.5.3. 20260306 March Hines Creek Composite School Council Minutes (Giesbrecht)

### 2.6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## **2.7. CORRESPONDENCE**

- 2.7.1.** 20260330 March 30 PRSD Letter to Ministers re Dixonville Property
- 2.7.2.** 20260413 April 13 PRSD Letter to Ministers re Red Earth Creek New School Project

**16236**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

That the consent agenda be accepted as presented.

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**Carried**

## **3. REVIEW & ADOPTION OF REGULAR BOARD AGENDA**

The agenda for the regular meeting of the Board April 16, 2026, was reviewed.

**16237**

**Moved by:** Trustee Giesbrecht

That the agenda for the regular meeting of the Board, April 16, 2026, be approved as amended.

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**Carried**

## **4. STRATEGIC**

### **4.1. Joint Use Planning Agreements**

#### **4.1.1. Village of Nampa**

The Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Village of Nampa was discussed.

**16238**

**Moved by:** Trustee Laurin

The Board approved the Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Village of Nampa; a clean copy will be presented for Board signature once signed by the Municipality.

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**Carried**

#### **4.1.2. Village of Hines Creek**

The Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Village of Hines Creek was discussed.

**16239**

**Moved by:** Trustee Giesbrecht

The Board approved the Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Village of Hines Creek; a clean copy will be presented for Board signature once signed by the Municipality.



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Carried

#### **4.1.3. Clear Hills County**

The Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Clear Hills County was discussed.

**16240**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

The Board approved the Joint Use Planning Agreement with the Clear Hills County; a clean copy will be presented for Board signature once signed by the Municipality.

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Carried

### **5. GENERATIVE**

~~5.1. Update on Tribunal~~ – moved to in-camera

#### **5.2 Planning Visit to Red Earth Creek School**

The visit to Red Earth Creek was discussed.

**16241**

**Moved by:** Trustee Laurin

That the Board request a meeting with the MD of Opportunity Council representatives on April 30, 2026, to discuss the new Red Earth Creek School Project.

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Carried

#### **5.3 Peace River Community Engagement**

Engagement with the community in Peace River was discussed.

#### **5.4 Clear Hills County Meeting April 28, 2026**

The meeting with Clear Hills County on April 28, 2026, was discussed.

#### **5.5 Foundational Statements Update**

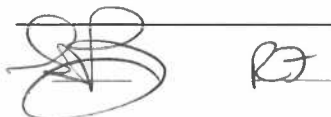
The reports on the Foundational Statements update were presented and will be discussed at a later date.

Board Chair Buchinski left the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

Vice Chair Rushton assumed duties of the Chair

Board Chair Buchinski returned to the meeting at 11:14 and assumed duties of the Chair

Trustee Rushton left the meeting at 11:27 a.m.



## **5.6 Menno Simons Engagement Committee Follow-up**

The Menno Simons Engagement Committee reviewed the meeting held in the community.

Trustee Rushton returned to the meeting at 11:29 a.m.  
Trustee Quinney left the meeting at 11:31 a.m.  
Trustee Quinney returned to the meeting at 11:34 a.m.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:18 p.m.  
The meeting resumed in-camera at 12:40 p.m.

## **6. FIDUCIARY**

### **6.1. IN CAMERA**

**16242**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

That the meeting move in-camera at 12:44 p.m.

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**Carried**

**16243**

**Moved by:** Trustee Laurin

That the meeting revert to regular session at 1:57 p.m.

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**Carried**

While in-camera labour, land, legal issues were discussed.

The meeting recessed at 1:57 p.m.  
The meeting resumed at 2:04 p.m.

## **5. GENERATIVE**

### **5.7 Dixonville Charter School Follow-up**

Superintendent reviewed the status of the land in Dixonville and the Charter School.

**16244**

**Moved by:** Trustee Rushton

That the Board Chair be directed to advise the Chair of the Dixonville Charter School Society that, absent a resolution from the Minister of Infrastructure regarding the property adjacent to the former Dixonville School by the May 21 Board Meeting, a motion will be brought forward to dispose of it as per the Disposition of Property Regulation.

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**Carried**



## **5.8 Administrators' Association Engagement Update**

The report on feedback from the Administrators' Association regarding engagement with the Trustees was provided and will be discussed at a later date.

## **5.9 Standing Committee Agenda Items**

### **5.9.1 Items for Joint Board Meeting with HFCRD May 21, 2026**

Trustee Giesbrecht left the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Trustee Giesbrecht returned to the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

**16245**

**Moved by:** Trustee Laurin

That the Joint Meeting with Holy Family Catholic Regional Division scheduled for May 21, 2026, be postponed until the fall.

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**Carried**

## **5.10 Departmental Presentations - None**

## **5.11 Quarterly Financial Reports (Dec/Mar/Jun/Aug) - None**

# **6. FIDUCIARY**

## **6.2 POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW - None**

## **6.3 STANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS**

### **6.3.1 ASBA**

### **6.3.2 PSBAA (PSBC) Dyck/Buchinski**

Trustees Buchinski and Dyck reported on the PSBC meeting they attended that was held April 9 and 10, 2026.

### **6.3.3 RURAL CAUCUS**

Trustee Rushton gave a report on the Rural Caucus meeting.

**16246**

**Moved by:** Trustee Dyck

That Trustee Rushton be appointed on behalf of the Board, to the Rural Small School Working Committee with the Rural Caucus.

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**Carried**

## 6.4 Board Work Plan

### 6.4.1 Trustee Calendar

#### 6.4.1.1. Trustee Tours

The Trustee Tour schedule was discussed.

**16247**

**Moved by:** Trustee Dyck

That Administration be directed to schedule Value Scoping in Peace River for June 3, 4, 2026.

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**Carried**

## 7. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA – No Items

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

**16248**

**Moved by:** Trustee Przybylski

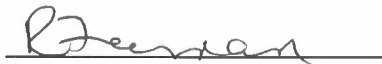
That the meeting be adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

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**Carried**

## 9. ROUND TABLE

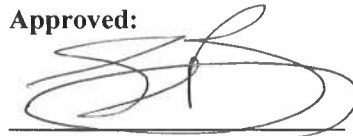
**Certified Correct:**



**Secretary-Treasurer**

Recorder: Chris Warne

**Approved:**



**Chair**

