

## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

April 29, 2024




Our mission, vision, and values guide our behaviour, structure our operations and shape our Division strategies.

MISSION	VALUES	VISION
 <p>Westwind School Division will be a collaborative community of engaged learners that inspires all students to realize their full and complete potential.</p>	 <p>Continual Learning Excellence Relationships Empathy</p>	 <p>Foster engaging and student-centred learning environments that will inspire each student to strive for personal excellence and allow all learners to thrive.</p>

For every decision we make, we will hold ourselves accountable and ask:

- Is this what's best for our students?
- Will this help us build trust and improve relationships?
- How will this decision further education, inform practice and enhance learning?



### Attendees

**Trustees:** Josh Smith, Jim Ralph, Tami Tolley, Ross Blackmer, Rod Wendorff, Doug Smith, Anna-Joyce Frank, Jessica Payne

**Administrative Staff:** Darren Mazutinec (Superintendent), Peter Wright (Assistant Superintendent), Pam Boyson (Executive Assistant)

### Motions Approved

- Motion 2024-24: Approve the agenda as presented.
- Motion 2024-25: Approve the March 25, 2024, Board Meeting minutes.
- Motion 2024-26: Affirm Board Policy 14, Board Hearings on Teacher Transfers, and Board Policy 15, School Closure.
- Motion 2024-27: Approve the \$1000 donation to Raymond Elementary School for the outdoor movie night from Christensen Salmon Funeral Home.
- Motion 2024-28: Enter an in-camera session.
- Motion 2024-29: Exit the in-camera session.
- Motion 2024-30: Adjourn the meeting.

### Reports Presented

- Superintendent (Darren Mazutinec): Overview of the month's activities.
- Secretary-Treasurer (Peter Wright): Financial and operational updates for the month.

- Assistant Superintendent (Austin Nunn): Educational and administrative updates.

## Committee Updates

- Management Committee: Discussed postponing negotiation meetings pending ATA settlements.
- Student Engagement Committee: Meeting scheduled for May 15, 2024.
- Board ATA Liaison Committee: Potential meeting discussion for May 30, 2024.
- ASBA Zone 6: Participation report by Trustees Doug Smith and Ross Blackmer.

## Policies & Procedures

- Board Policy 14 & 15: Approved policies related to teacher transfers and school closures.

## Discussion & Information Items

- Transportation Report (Mike Cahoon):
  - A new mechanic has been hired and started work in April.
  - Three of the seven bus operators in the Magrath area have resigned or retired recently.
  - Recruitment of replacement drivers is progressing well.
  - The transportation funding submission has been completed.
  - A driving school is operational, training new bus operators.
- Westwind Alternate School (Principal Mike DeVuyst):
  - Announced a new scholarship from the Westwind Alternate School Parent Council Chair.
  - The Friesen Family Foundation Scholarship Fund will provide a \$1000 scholarship annually to a qualifying home education senior student for up to four years.
- Glenwood Ball Diamond Request:
  - The Board approved \$1000 for a weed and plant burning machine for the ball diamond located on school division property.
- Edwin Parr Awards Evening (May 15, 2024):
  - Trustees Anna-Joyce Frank and Doug Smith will attend the award celebration.
- FNMI Honour Night (May 16, 2024):
  - Several trustees and central office administration members will attend.
- Graduation Ceremonies:
  - Trustees and central administration will attend various graduation and award ceremonies across the division.
- Cell Phones in Classrooms:
  - Superintendent initiated a discussion on the use of cell phones in classrooms, highlighting both positive and negative effects.
  - Plans to further address this topic in upcoming Committee of the Whole and Board meetings.

## **Donations**

- \$1000 donation to Raymond Elementary School for an outdoor movie night from Christensen Salmon Funeral Home.

**Next Board Meeting: May 9, 2024**