

CALGARY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) held in the Multipurpose Room, Education Centre, 1221 – 8 Street SW, Calgary, Alberta on Tuesday, May 27, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees:

Trustee P. Bolger (Chair)
Trustee N. Close
Trustee M. Dennis
Trustee L. Hack
Trustee S. Vukadinovic

Absent:

Trustee C. May

Administration:

J. Pitman, Chief Superintendent of Schools
D. Breton, Superintendent, Facilities and Environmental Services
K. Fenney, General Counsel
B. Grundy, Superintendent, Finance/Technology Services
M. Martin-Esposito, Chief Communications Officer
M. Nelson, Superintendent, School Improvement
J. Turner, Superintendent, School Improvement
P. Minor, Corporate Secretary
M. Graham, Board Administrator

Stakeholder Representatives:

C. Gordan, Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), Local 40
C. Haney, Sr. High School Principals’ Association and Principal’s Association for Adolescent Learners (PAAL)
E. Lamontagne, Elementary School Principals’ Association

1 | CALL TO ORDER, NATIONAL ANTHEM, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND AND WELCOME

Chair Bolger called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and students from Richmond School led the national anthem through a video recording.

Students from Richmond School acknowledged the traditional territories and oral practices of the Treaty 7 Nations, including the Siksikaitsitapi, comprised of the Siksika, the Kainai, the Piikani, and the Amskapi Piikani Nations. We acknowledge the Tsuut’ina Nation, the Îyârhe Nakoda, comprised of the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and



Goodstoney Nations, the Métis Nation within Alberta, and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of southern Alberta. This land on which we gather is traditionally known as Moh'kinstsis, Guts'ists'l, Wîchîspa, and otôskwanihk. As a learning organization, we are committed to advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action focused on Education for ReconciliACTION.

Trustee Vukadinovic thanked the students for sharing O Canada and the Acknowledgment of the Land.

Oki, Dādánast'áda, Âba Wathtec, Tâniisi, Taanishi, bonjour, hello, and welcome, from Chair Bolger to all staff, union representatives, and members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

2 | **CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

P. Minor, Corporate Secretary, noted that no agenda change requests were received.

MOVED by Trustee Hack:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the agenda for the Regular Meeting of May 27, 2025, as submitted.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

3 | **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

There were no presentations.

4 | **RESULTS FOCUS**

4.1 **Richmond School Presentation**

D. Dyck, Education Director, Area 7, introduced the presentation, highlighting how the Results 5: Character policy is lived out in Richmond School; Kindergarten to grade 6 foundational character development; and the importance of a safe and respectful learning environment for academic success.

M.A. Fullerton, Principal, Richmond School, presented on the school's H.E.A.R.T values of harmony, engagement, adaptability, respect and truth; incorporation of the Indigenous Education Holistic and Lifelong Learning Framework into learning and student wellbeing; the impact of character development on academic success and student wellbeing; collaborative learning; and partnership with families.

Through video recording, students and staff shared on their experiences at Richmond School.

Trustee Vukadinovic thanked the staff and students for the presentation.



5 | **OPERATIONAL EXPECTATIONS**

There were no reports or presentations.

6 | **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

7 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD INFORMATION**

There were no reports or presentations.

8 | **MATTERS RESERVED FOR BOARD DECISION**

8.1 **Results 5: Character – Annual Monitoring**

Chair Bolger introduced the report, stating that at the May 20, 2025 Board trustees had the opportunity to ask questions. It is now on the agenda for the Board to determine if the Chief Superintendent is making reasonable progress with the provisions of Results 5: Character.

MOVED by Trustee Hack:

THAT the Board of Trustees has reviewed the monitoring report for Results 5: Character and concludes that reasonable progress is being made toward the ultimate achievement of this Results policy.

In debate of the motion, trustees made comments on seeing the values of character development lived out in schools; the importance and process of character development; goals for the improvement of online social development; the differing contexts of previous results from the 2021-22 school year and current results from the 2023-24 school year; and the impact of character development on academic achievement.

Chair Bolger called for a vote.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

8.2 **Education Plan 2024-27 (Year 2)**

Chair Bolger introduced the report, stating that at the May 20, 2025 Board meeting trustees had the opportunity to ask questions. It is now on the agenda for the Board's consideration.

MOVED by Trustee Close:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the Education Plan 2024-27 (Year 2) and authorize its submission to Alberta Education.



In debate of the motion, trustees made comments on the extensive review of school development plans; the focus on values and excellence; strategic planning to meet needs of increasing enrolment, school utilization and complexity to support student success; the opportunity to share the strategies of the Education Plan with a delegation from Germany; the Alberta Education calculation formula for school utilization rates; the development of the Education Plan, guided by careful thought and robust public engagement; and the primary goals of Learning Excellence, Wellbeing, and Truth and Reconciliation, Diversity and Inclusion.

Chair Bolger called for a vote.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

8.3 Budget Report for the 2025-26 School Year

Chair Bolger introduced the report, stating that at the May 20, 2025 Board meeting trustees had the opportunity to ask questions. It is now on the agenda for the Board's consideration.

MOVED by Trustee Dennis:

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the 2025-26 budget as provided in Attachment I to the report, and authorizes its submissions to Alberta Education.

In debate of the motion, trustees made comments on changes to the Alberta Education weighted moving average formula; the increased need for more staff and materials across the system; increasing numbers of students requiring additional supports in order to succeed, including English as an Additional Language learners; changes to transportation requirements by Alberta Education and the associated cost and funding; the school construction accelerator program and limited capital reserves available for opening new schools; the fact that increased funding does not equal adequate funding in the face of high school utilization rates and increasing classroom complexity; the difficulty in maintaining staff and service levels with the funding provided; and the importance of equity in education.

Chair Bolger called for a vote.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

9 | CONSENT AGENDA

9.1 Items Provided for Board Decision

9.1.1 Meeting Minutes

- Special Meeting held April 1, 2025
- Regular Meeting held April 8, 2025
- Special Meeting held April 17, 2025



- Regular Meeting held 22, 2025

THAT the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Special Meetings held April 1 and 17, 2025 and the Regular Meetings held April 8 and 22, 2025, as submitted.

9.2 Items Provided for Board Information

Chair Bolger noted the public portion of this meeting is now adjourned and that the Board would reconvene in private to discuss one legal, two land, two labour and eight strategic planning matters. She stated the next public Board meeting is on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

Recessed: 2:12 p.m.

Reconvened: 2:29 p.m.

10 | **PRIVATE SESSION**

Motion to Move In Camera

MOVED by Trustee Dennis:

Whereas the Board of Trustees is of the opinion that it is in the public interest that matters on the private agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees, May 27, 2025 be considered at a private session; therefore, be it

Resolved, **THAT the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees moves in camera.**

The motion was

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

Motion to Move Out of In Camera

MOVED by Trustee Vukadinovic:

THAT the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees moves out of in camera.

The motion was

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

Motions to Action In-Camera Recommendations

MOVED by Trustee Close:

THAT the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair to communicate with the Minister of Education as discussed in camera.

The motion was

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

11 | **MOTION TO ADJOURN**



MOVED by Trustee Dennis:

THAT on adjournment the meeting adjourns to the call of the Chair.

The motion was
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Absent: Trustee May

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

