

February 2, 2017

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Wolf Creek School Division No. 72 was called to order by the chair at 9:00 a.m. in the Learning Centre of the Ponoka office.

Present

Chair: L. Jess; Trustees: T. Bratland, P. Hansen, B. Huff, D. Peterson, B. Walker; Superintendent of Schools: J. Lovell; Assistant Superintendent of Schools: C. Thorsteinson; Secretary Treasurer: J. Henderson; Recording Secretary: J. Haines

Agenda Item 1.1 - Treaty Six Land Acknowledgement

Chair Jess recited the Treaty Six Land Agreement and Acknowledgement.

Agenda Item 1.3 - Adopt Agenda

17.17  
Adopt Agenda

Moved by B. Walker that the agenda for the February 2, 2017 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees be adopted as follows:

1. Call to Order
  - 1.1 Treaty Six Land Acknowledgement
  - 1.2 Additions to the Agenda
  - 1.3 Adopt Agenda
2. In Camera
3. Appointments
4. Superintendent's Report
5. Action Items
  - 5.1 Additions to the Agenda
  - 5.2 Minutes January 19, 2017
  - 5.3 Student Voice Minutes January 27, 2017
  - 5.4 PR Committee Minutes January 27, 2017
  - 5.5 Review Progress of Board Evaluation Notes
  - 5.6 2017-2018 Base Calendar
  - 5.7 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Draft Calendars
  - 5.8 Board/ATA Liaison Meeting Date
  - 5.9 Teacher's Convention
  - 5.10 Youth Tech Nation Invitation
  - 5.11 RDC Partnership Celebration
  - 5.12 Iron Ridge Junior Campus Boundary Adjustment
  - 5.13 February 16, 2017 Meeting - Venue Change Afternoon
  - 5.14 Board/School Council Chair Meeting
  - 5.15 RCMP Presentations
  - 5.16 School Visit - March 3, 2017 PES
  - 5.17 Careers Next Generation
  - 5.18 Strategic Planning Meeting - STARS, WCPS and City of Lacombe
6. Trustee Reports
7. Information Items
  - 7.1 ASBA Zone 4
  - 7.2 PSBAA
  - 7.3 Board Highlights
  - 7.4 Board Year Plan
  - 7.5 FSD\_ Letter to ASBA Bargaining Support

Carried Unanimously.



In Camera

18.17  
Meeting of the  
Whole

Moved by P. Hansen that the Board hold a meeting of the whole with all persons excluded except Mr. Lovell, Mrs. Thorsteinson, Mr. Henderson and Mrs. Haines.

Carried Unanimously.

Mrs. Thorsteinson withdrew from the meeting.

19.17  
Open Meeting

Moved by B. Walker that the Board revert back to an open meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

Appointments

Superintendent's Report

Agenda Item 4.1 - Superintendent's Report

Mr. Lovell spoke to the attached Superintendent's Report.

Action Items

Agenda Item 5.1 - Additions to the Agenda

20.17  
Item Added to  
Agenda

Moved by B. Walker that the Board add *Agenda Item 5.19 Blackfalds Day Care* to the agenda.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.2 - Minutes January 19, 2017

21.17  
January 19, 2017  
Minutes Approved

Moved by D. Peterson that the Board approve the minutes of January 19, 2017 as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.3 - Student Voice Minutes January 27, 2017

22.17  
Terms of Reference  
Re-affirmed –  
Student Voice  
Committee

Moved by L. Jess that the Board reaffirm the current Terms of Reference for the Student Voice Committee with a possible review at the next Student Voice Meeting.

Carried Unanimously.

23.17  
Superintendent to  
Present  
"thoughtexchange"  
Preview

Moved by L. Jess that the Board direct the Superintendent to present a "thoughtexchange" preview to the Board on February 2, 2017

Carried Unanimously.

24.17  
"thoughtexchange"  
Student Engagement  
to Proceed

Mr. Lovell provided the Board with a tentative student engagement through "thoughtexchange".


Moved by P. Hansen that the Board approve the proposed "thoughtexchange" student engagement questions as presented and direct the Superintendent to proceed with the engagement process.

Carried Unanimously.

25.17  
Student Voice  
Committee Meeting  
April 5, 2017

Moved by L. Jess that the Board hold a Student Voice Committee Meeting April 5, 2017.

Carried Unanimously.



26.17 Student Voice Committee Minutes Accepted  
Moved by B. Huff that the Board accept the January 27, 2017 Student Voice Committee minutes as presented for information.  
Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.4 - PR Committee Minutes January 27, 2017

27.17 Mr. Henderson Nominated for PSBAA Award  
Moved by L. Jess that the Board nominate Mr. Joseph Henderson, Secretary Treasurer, for the PSBAA Special Contribution to Public School Education award.  
Carried Unanimously.

28.17 Sunny 94 Nominated for PSBAA Media Award  
Moved by L. Jess that the Board nominate Sunny 94 for the PSBAA Special Contribution to Public School Education (Media) award.  
Carried Unanimously.

29.17 Agenda Item Added  
Moved by B. Huff that the Board add *Agenda Item 5.20 - Zone 4 Friends of Education Award* to the agenda.  
Carried Unanimously.

30.17 Gather Feedback on "thoughtexchange" Process  
Moved by B. Huff that the Board direct the Superintendent to explore avenues of gathering feedback on the "thoughtexchange" process.  
Carried Unanimously.

31.17 Information for WCPS Foundation  
Moved by B. Huff that the Board direct the Superintendent to gather information on the possibility of implementing a Wolf Creek Public Schools Foundation.  
Carried Unanimously.

32.17 Bruce Buruma to Speak to Board on Foundation  
Moved by D. Peterson that the Board direct the Superintendent to arrange for Bruce Buruma of Red Deer Public to speak to the Board on the benefits of a foundation.  
Carried Unanimously.

33.17 Partner with ATA Local for Education Week 2017  
Moved by L. Jess that the Board provide \$500 to partner with the ATA Local for Education Week, May 1-5, 2017  
Carried Unanimously.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 12:45 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

Chair: L. Jess; Trustees: T. Bratland, P. Hansen, B. Huff, D. Peterson, B. Walker; Superintendent of Schools: J. Lovell; Assistant Superintendent of School: M. McWhinnie; Secretary Treasurer: J. Henderson; Recording Secretary: J. Haines

34.17 PR Committee Minutes Accepted  
Moved by D. Peterson that the Board accept the January 27, 2017 PR Committee minutes as presented for information.  
Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.5 - Review Progress of Board Evaluation Notes August 24, 2016

The Board discussed the mid-year goals for improvement. Discussion focused around the need for developing an Advocacy Plan.



35.17  
PR Committee  
Meeting March 9,  
2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Moved by D. Peterson that the Board hold a PR Committee Meeting March 9, 2017 beginning at 4:30 p.m. to develop an Advocacy Plan in accordance with Policy 2.6.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.6 - 2017-2018 Base Calendars

Mr. McWhinnie, Assistant Superintendent Learning and Technology Services, reviewed the draft calendars for 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020.

36.17  
Adopt 2017-2018  
Base Calendar and  
2018-2019 Draft  
Calendar

Moved by P. Hansen that the Board adopt "Option 1" as presented as the base calendar for the 2017-2018 school year and adopt draft calendar 2018-2019 amended to have three teacher prep days starting August 28, 2018.

37.17  
Withdraw Motion  
35.17

Moved by B. Huff that the Board withdraw motion 36.17.

Carried Unanimously.

38.17  
Amend Policy 19.H

Moved by B. Huff that the Board amend Policy 19.H by deleting "... two Summer Institute days and" and replace with "... teacher planning/preparation days."

Carried Unanimously.

39.17  
Approve 2017-2018  
Base Calendar and  
2018-2019 and 2019-  
2020 Draft Calendars

Moved by P. Hansen that the Board adopt Option 1 as presented as the base calendar for the 2017-2018 school year and further adopt draft calendars 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 as amended to reflect teacher planning/preparation days.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.7 - 2018-2019 Draft Calendar & 2019-2020 Draft Calendar

As dealt with under Agenda Item 5.6.

Agenda Item 5.8 - Board/ATA Liaison Meeting Date

40.17  
Board/ATA Liaison  
Meeting March 22,  
2017

Moved by B. Huff that the Board set a Board/ATA Liaison Meeting to be held on March 22, 2017 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.9 - Teacher's Convention - February 23, 2017

This item was accepted for information.

Agenda Item 5.10 - Youth Tech Nation Invitation - Feb 10/17

41.17  
Trustees Attend  
Youth Tech Nation

Moved by B. Walker that the Board authorize the attendance of trustees to the Youth Tech Nation February 10, 2017.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.11 - RDC Partnership Celebration - February 2, 2017

This item was accepted for information.

Agenda Item 5.12 - Iron Ridge Junior Campus Boundary Adjustment

42.17  
Re-Establish Property  
Lines at Iron Ridge  
Junior Campus

Moved by B. Walker that the Board direct the Superintendent to re-establish the property line at Iron Ridge Junior Campus according to the attached Plan of Survey as prepared by Compass Geomatics Ltd. and subject to Ministerial approval.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.13 - February 16, 2017 Meeting - afternoon session

43.17  
February 16, 2017  
Afternoon Session  
Moved to Lacombe  
Police Station

Moved by P. Hansen that the Board relocate the afternoon session of the February 16, 2017 regular meeting to the meeting room at the Lacombe Police Station.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.14 - Board/School Council Chair Meeting - March

44.17  
Board/ATA Liaison  
Meeting Moved to  
March 23, 2017

Moved by B. Walker that the Board adjust the Board/ATA Liaison meeting to March 23, 2017 beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Learning Centre of Division Office.

Carried Unanimously.

45.17  
Trustees Authorized  
to Attend Joint  
School Council  
Meeting March 22,  
2017

Moved by B. Huff that the Board authorize trustees to attend the school council representatives' meeting March 22, 2017 as hosted by Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary School.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.15 - RCMP Presentations

This item was accepted for information.

Agenda Item 5.16 - School Visits - March 3, 2017 PES

It was the consensus of the Board to adjust the Ponoka Elementary School visit from February 3, to March 24, 2017.

Agenda Item 5.17 - Careers Next Generation Career Expo April 27, 2017

It was the consensus of the Board to add this item to the next ASBA Zone 4 agenda.

46.17  
Superintendent to  
Provide Suitable Door  
Prize to Career Next  
Generation Career  
Expo

Moved by B. Walker that the Board direct the Superintendent to purchase a suitable door prize up to a value of \$300 for the Careers the Next Generation Career Expo.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.18 - Strategic Planning Meeting

47.17  
Chair and Ward 5  
Trustees to Attend  
Strategic Planning  
Meeting with STARS  
and City of Lacombe

Moved by D. Peterson that the Board authorize the attendance of the Board Chair and Ward 5 Trustees to the Strategic Planning Meeting between St. Thomas Aquinas Roman Catholic School Division, Wolf Creek Public Schools and the City of Lacombe at Lacombe City Hall March 23, 2017 beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.19 - Blackfalds Daycare

48.17  
Board To Lease to  
Blackfalds Daycare

Moved by P. Hansen that the Board direct the Superintendent to prepare a lease for the Blackfalds Daycare use of a portion of the Iron Ridge Junior Campus lands with area to be determined and at a cost of \$5000 annually.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 5.20 - ASBA Zone 4 Friends of Education Award

Mr. Lovell withdrew from the meeting.

49.17  
Red Deer Canyon Ski  
Hill Nominated for  
ASBA Zone 4 Award

Moved by B. Huff that the Board nominate Canyon Ski Hill for the ASBA  
Zone 4 Friends of Education Award.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Items 6.0 – 7.5 were accepted for information

Meeting Adjourn

50.17  
Meeting Adjourn

Moved by B. Huff that the meeting adjourn. Time 3:21 p.m.

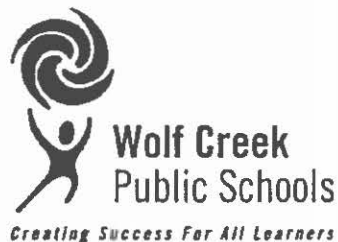
Carried Unanimously.

  
Chair



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Secretary-Treasurer



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**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**  
**Office of the Superintendent**  
**for**  
**February 2, 2017**

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**Outreach Schools Visioning Process**

On January 30, 2017, senior leaders met for a third time with administrators from all three Outreach Schools to collaborate around the future direction of our Outreach Programs. This meeting included a review and discussion on the current Outreach funding allocation model and a review of other district Outreach Programs in relation to their vision, program philosophy and structure with the goal of drafting an overarching framework for Wolf Creek Outreach Programs.

**Alberta Education Assurance Meeting with WCPS Senior Leaders**

Each year Alberta Education schedules meetings with each school district leadership to review the Alberta Education Results Report (AERR) and the Three-Year Education Plan. This meeting, scheduled for February 8, 2017, will provide a focused opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of Alberta Education's expectations and initiatives while analyzing how WCPS is working towards aligning and supporting the various areas. Questions specific to our ongoing work in supporting Literacy, Numeracy, First Nations, Metis and Inuit students, Inclusion and Safe and Caring are some of the topics from the meeting.

**Recruitment for New Facilities Manager**

With the recent retirement of Brad Buss the recruitment and hiring process for a new Facilities Manager is nearing completion. Interviews are scheduled for February 10, 2016 with the goal of filling this key position as soon as possible.

**WCPS Staff Wellness Day - February 22, 2017**

The finishing touches on the planning for WCPS' 2nd Annual Staff Wellness Day is near completion. This event will take place on February 22, 2017 and will include over 30 sessions designed to support our staff in a variety of ways to ensure health and wellness remain a strong focus. This event will kick-off with a keynote address from Dr. Jody Carrington, a clinical

psychologist that will share insights about the children we work with each and every day. Many thanks to the organizing committee including Ian Wilson, WCPS Healthy Schools Lead, and Robyn McBride, Health Promotion Facilitator.

**Process for Establishing Terms of Employment for WCPS Support Staff**

Each year the Board provides an open and transparent process for any support staff member or group to submit a request to address a specific term of their employment. February 1, 2017 is the deadline for any proposals to Corrine Thorsteinson, Assistant Superintendent - People Services, at which time the proposals will then be represented to the Board at a special board meeting to be held on February 24, 2017.

**Diploma Exam Preparation for Math 30-1 and Math 30-2**

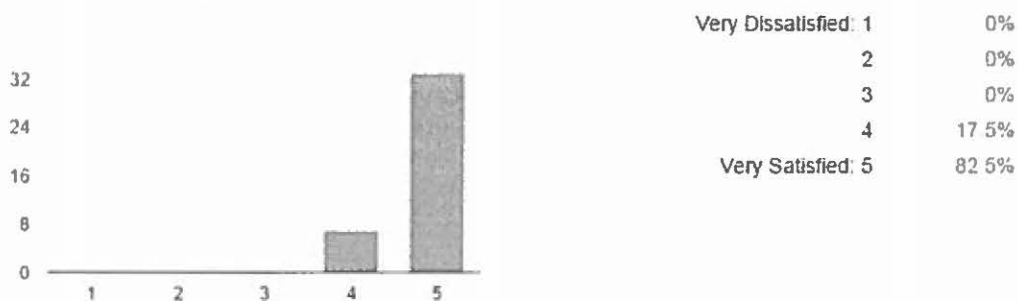
We are pleased to see a successful implementation of support prior to the Math 30 diploma exam. A media release was posted on the school division [website here](#). Students and staff were appreciative of the board's support for this initiative. Further support is planned for spring diplomas in Math and Social Studies.

**Bright Futures Play Academy**

Since January 8 we have received 100 new registrations for Fall 2017. In addition, existing families are re-enrolling children that are turning four years of age for a second year of programming before they proceed to kindergarten. We are also discussing some possible program expansion in various sites and will have more information later for the board's consideration.

During the re-enrollment we asked parents for feedback on the program and their satisfaction. Here is the information gathered specifically from existing parents on Bright Futures Play Academy programming.

Please indicate on a scale of 1 to 5 your level of satisfaction with last year's program?



**Family Oriented Programming Supports**

A number of specialized programs to support parents with family oriented programming is taking place across WCPS in conjunction with Bright Futures Play Academy children and kindergarten children. These services are provided free of charge to registered families in WCPS and are supported by division office staff, pre-k teachers, support staff and community partners such as



Parent Link and FCSS. These sessions typically take place on a Friday morning throughout the month and are held either in a school or a community agency location. Examples of these sessions include Dealing with Disobedience, Developing Good Bedtime Routines, Dealing with Aggression, Physical Literacy and the Brain Development, Fine Motor, Zones of Regulation, Literacy with Young Children, and Speech and Language Home Supports.

#### **Early Development Instrument (EDI) Summary Report**

The report from the province on Wolf Creek's EDI survey was released this week. The overall summary shows that there is a need for additional supports in the early years programming. Data collection across Canada shows that in most jurisdictions 25% or more of children entering kindergarten are vulnerable in at least one aspect of their development. Out of the Wolf Creek area, the survey shows that only 3.8% of pre-school children attended an early intervention children before kindergarten. While many (63%) attended a full or part-time pre-school or nursery program, these programs did not necessarily address early intervention supports. Out of the vulnerable identified children, 81.3% were vulnerable in two or more domain areas. The EDI is a tool that is designed to increase the mobilization of communities and policy makers to assist in having a positive impact on children's development in their local areas. The report underscores the ongoing need for WCPS to invest in early years programming. Details on individual school results are [linked here](#) and the summary report for the jurisdiction are [linked here](#).

#### **Dual Credit Learning Opportunities**

A meeting was held with Learning Services and the Superintendent regarding the potential involvement and logistics around offering dual credit learning opportunities. The costs of the program were also examined as well as some on-site visits to locations in Red Deer and Bonnyville. Localized opportunities are also being explored for students within the WCPS area. This would allow students to achieve high school credits while allowing them to access post-secondary and national certifications in areas such as trade exposures in welding, automotive repair, firefighting and well site safety. In some programs students would gain journeyman hour certification and advanced placement opportunities. This program does have some cost factors involved which are significant and will be detailed for the board at a future date after further analysis. Currently we have six students from WCPS involved in these kinds of opportunities.

#### **Accountability Pillar Surveys**

Schools are completing a campaign to increase involvement by parents in the survey process by Alberta Education. Staff and students are also participating over the next few weeks. This survey is conducted with Grade 4, Grade 7, Grade 10 students and parents and all students and parents from Grade 4-10 in small rural schools with a small enrollment.

#### **New Revisions to Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity AP308**

The Administrative Procedure that was established last April has had some revisions to better reflect our current realities in WCPS. We have added more detail and specific information



around processes to attend to different requests that have come forward at our schools. The previous Administrative Procedure did not have as much detail and our Administrators needed a document that would assist them in how to attend to different circumstances. The document has been revised and all Administrators had time at their last Administrator meeting to review it with ILS members and provide feedback. The following [LINK](#) shows the old document with revisions.

#### **Student Code of Conduct**

ILS has worked with all our school Administrators to ensure that we have codes of conducts that are reflective of all the new legislation. Every Administrator has had a detailed presentation on the changes, requirements and expectations. We have had them examine their codes of conduct and showed samples of revised ones that met the new criteria. After our presentation the Admin group decided to have a working group of four Administrators and Barb Reaney come together and create a district-wide code of conduct template. The template meets the new requirements and also provides the opportunity for each school to add in a local context. The new documents will be completed this month, distributed for additional feedback and be ready for schools to share with their staff this spring so they are all fully implemented in the fall.

#### **Impact Assessment**

Impact Assessment School Visits are continuing throughout February. School Staff, School Administrators, Inclusion Coaches and School Social Workers gather to provide comprehensive student information through their collaborative team meetings. Excellent discussions regarding student needs are occurring at each of the Impact Assessment visits, with required supports determined. We continue to have students with diverse needs entering WCPS the district and school supports are being requested on a very consistent basis.

#### **Poverty Simulation Description**

The Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) was designed to help people better understand the realities of poverty. We are providing opportunities for participants to walk a mile in the shoes of those facing poverty by participating in the Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) that will be held from 9:00-11:00 on Friday, February 3rd at the Ponoka Legion.

The Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) provides participants with the opportunity to assume the role of a low-income family member that must provide for their family and maintain their home while living on a limited budget.

Participating in a Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) allows educators to build awareness and develop their understanding of the issues related to poverty. As an engagement tool, a poverty simulation can bring together educators, support agencies, and community members to promote and inspire positive change. Facilitation can include statistics, demographics, and current contextual realities of poverty in your local area. This activity is designed for senior administrators, school administrators, teachers, educational assistants, school psychologists, support staff, preservice teachers, community agencies, service organizations, and community members.



February 3, 2017 will focus on Inclusion Coaches, School Social Workers, and District Office staff alongside select community members. Following this initial session, Inclusion Coaches and Social Workers will be invited to lead this activity in their communities.

#### **EA Advisory Group**

On January 27, EAs representing each of our WCPS Schools attended the EA Advisory Group. The day kicked off with an overview of the Three Year Plan followed by a summary of the main themes from the EA Input Survey that was administered to all EAs in November. In addition the main WCPS Themes from the ThoughtExchange process were also shared with the groups. EAs had an opportunity to reflect on how their role fit into the strategies of the Three Year Plan and also to consider how the Three Year Plan impacts their role. Participants also took part in a World Cafe focused on the main themes of the EA Input Survey including:

1. Clear and Consistent Communication & Opportunities to Collaborate with Staff
2. Time for Student Conversations and Planning
3. Clear Expectations for the Role and Involvement in School Direction
4. Opportunities for Ongoing Professional Development
5. Relationships with School Administrators, School Staff and Inclusion Coach

Feedback on the day was very positive with a genuine appreciation from all participants for the opportunity to have their input and feedback valued. Data from the World Cafe and other activities is being collated and will be used to determine next steps for the EA Advisory Group. Main themes, once compiled, will be shared with the Board of Trustees. The next meeting is scheduled for April 7.

#### **AP 440: Process for Establishing Terms of Employment**

Six proposals have been submitted through the AP 440 Process. Corrine will be meeting with the representatives for each of the groups who have submitted proposals to ensure clarity prior to the Salary and Wage Review Meeting on February 24. Corrine will also be working with Joe Henderson to gather any cost or background information to present to the Board of Trustees at the February 24 Meeting.

#### **CTS Bridge To Certification Program**

We have been approached by two journeymen (Carpentry and Mechanics) who have expressed an interest in learning more about the Bridge to Certification Program. Corrine has shared information with these to potential candidates and is in the process for arranging some volunteer opportunities in CTS Programs to provide them with more insight into CTS Education in our schools prior to the application process opening up in July.

#### **Post-Secondary Recruitment Fairs**

Corrine and Alda attended the University of Alberta, Campus St-Jean, and Concordia University Fairs earlier this week. We were able to connect with dozens of teacher candidates, including several French Immersion Graduates. Our hope is to create a pool of interested French Immersion Candidates by inviting them to attend a group interview with our Immersion Administrators, allowing us to be ready to offer positions as soon as we begin our recruitment processes in the spring.



PR Committee Meeting  
January 27, 2017  
Learning Centre, Division Office Ponoka

Chair: Donna Peterson; Trustees: T. Bratland, P. Hansen, B. Huff, L. Jess; Superintendent of Schools: J. Lovell; Recording Secretary: J. Haines

Regrets: B. Walker

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

The agenda for the January 27, 2017 PR Committee Meeting was as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Adopt Agenda
3. PSBAA Awards
4. Future Community Engagement
5. Develop Advocacy Plan
6. Graduation Stats
7. Education Week - Partnership with ATA Local
8. Retirement & Recognition Banquet

2. Adopt Agenda

*Moved by P. Hansen that the agenda be adopted as printed.*

*Carried Unanimously.*

3. PSBAA Awards

*Moved by L. Jess that the PR Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to nominate Mr. Joseph Henderson, Secretary Treasurer for the PSBAA Special Contribution to Public School Education award*

*Carried Unanimously.*

*Moved by L. Jess that the PR Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to nominate Sunny 94 for the PSBAA Special Contribution to Public School Education (Media) award.*

*Carried Unanimously.*



#### 4. Future Community Engagement

Mr. Lovell advised the Committee that the results from the *thoughtexchange* process will be live on the Wolf Creek Public Schools website February 1, 2017.

*Moved by Trustee Huff that the PR Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to direct the Superintendent to explore avenues of getting feedback on the "thoughtexchange" process.*

*Carried Unanimously.*

#### 5. Develop Advocacy Plan

The committee discussed items of advocacy and with the following as their focus:

- a) Mental Health
- b) Central Alberta RCSD
- c) PAT's
- d) Lack of Funding Support for Tier 3 Students

Discussion ensued around the possibility of starting a foundation within WCPS to help off-set some of the non-funded rising costs for education.

*Moved by Trustee Huff that the PR Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to direct the Superintendent to gather information on the possibility of implementing a Wolf Creek Public Schools Foundation.*

*Carried Unanimously.*

#### 6. Graduation Stats

Mr. Lovell spoke to the success of the Rock Diploma weekend held January 20 - 22, 2017. 135 students participated in a Math course in preparation for their diploma.

#### 7. Education Week - Partnership with ATA Local

*Moved by L. Jess that the PR Committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to provide \$500 to partner with the ATA Local for Education Week, May 1-5, 2017.*

*Carried Unanimously.*

Trustee Peterson will continue to communicate with Jennifer Erick. It was the consensus of the PR Committee that Education Week is "all encompassing" for all staff and students in the Division.



8. Retirement & Recognition Banquet

June 8, 2017 is the date and the Lacombe Memorial Centre has been booked. Discussion centred on the Master of Ceremonies for this year's function. Mr. Lovell will explore the option of having someone outside of the division provide this service.

Next meeting date to be determined.

*Moved by Trustee Jess to adjourn the meeting. Time 12:08 p.m.*

*Carried Unanimously.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Lovell', located in the bottom right corner of the page.

Student Voice Committee Meeting  
January 27, 2017  
Financial Business Room, Division Office

Chair: Bob Huff; Trustees: T. Bratland, P. Hansen, L. Jess, D. Peterson; Superintendent of Schools: J. Lovell; Technology Integration Director: G. Esteves; Recording Secretary: J. Haines

Regrets: B. Walker

Chair Huff called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The agenda for the January 27, 2017 Student Voice Committee was as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Minutes November 16, 2016
4. Review/Reaffirm Committee Terms of Reference
5. PSBAA Spring Conference
6. Thoughtexchange webinar - Jayson Lovell and Greg Esteves
7. Other Student Voice Activities
8. Next Meeting Date

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

Agenda

***Moved by D. Peterson that the agenda be accepted printed.***

***Carried Unanimously.***

Minutes November 16, 2016

This was accepted for information

Review/Reaffirm Committee Terms of Reference

The committee reflected on the possibility that the Terms of Reference may need revisions should *thoughtexchange* provide a new and unique avenue for engaging students.

***Moved by L. Jess that the committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to re-affirm the Terms of Reference as is with possible reflection at the next Student Voice Meeting.***

***Carried Unanimously.***



PSBAA Spring Conference

Trustee Hansen spoke to the possibility of sending students to the PSBAA Spring Conference. It was the consensus of the committee for the Superintendent to share the information with the Principals and bring information garnered back to the next meeting.

thoughtexchange Webinar

The committee had a webinar presentation provided by *thoughtexchange* on engaging students in grades 9 and 12. It was the consensus of the committee to enter into this format for student engagement in order to gather responses from the complete grade 9 and grade 12 populations.

Discussion ensued and the committee decided that this was the avenue they wished to pursue for student engagement. It was the consensus that the Superintendent disregard the request under PSBAA Spring Conference, and concentrate his attention on the *thoughtexchange* process.

***Moved by L. Jess that the committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to direct the Superintendent to present a "thoughtexchange" preview to the Board on February 2, 2017.***

***Carried Unanimously.***

Other Student Voice Activities

Trustee Hansen commented that School Tours are providing opportunities for the trustees to engage with students in an informal setting.

Next Meeting Date

***Moved by L. Jess that the committee recommend to the Board of Trustees to have a Student Voice Committee meeting April 5, 2017.***

***Carried Unanimously.***

***Moved by L. Jess that the meeting adjourn.***

***Carried Unanimously.***

Time 10:25 p.m.

