

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BATTLE RIVER SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2024, COMMENCING AT 9:00 A.M.**

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**PRESENT**

LYLE ALBRECHT  
DOUG ALGAR  
KAREN BELICH  
DWIGHT DIBBEN  
PATRICK MCFEELY

**ABSENT**

**ALSO PRESENT**

RHAE-ANN HOLOIEN, Superintendent of Schools  
IMOGENE WALSH, Secretary-Treasurer  
STEPHEN HOYLAND, Assistant Superintendent - Education Services  
NATASHA WILM - Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources  
MICHELLE GIRVAN, Executive Assistant - Superintendent

CHAIR MCFEELY IN THE CHAIR

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair McFeely called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

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Wes Wilson, Principal of Daysland School and Madison Mikla joined the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#124\24      D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees approves the Agenda.

CARRIED

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**STUDENT SUCCESS**

Chair McFeely welcomed Principal Wes Wilson and Madison Mickla, a grade 12 student from Daysland School. Madison Mickla presented to the Board of Trustees, her experience in taking the WISEST Program (Women in Scholarship, Engineering, Science, and Technology) at the University of Alberta through the summer.

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Wes Wilson and Madison Mickla left the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#125\24 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of June 13, 2024, as amended.

CARRIED

#126\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees of June 26, 2024, as amended.

CARRIED

#127\24 L ALBRECHT - That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of June 26, 2024.

CARRIED

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**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#128\24 K BELICH - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Terms of Reference for the Community Engagement Committee for 2024 - 2025 as presented.

CARRIED

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**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL STUDY - ECOLE CAMROSE COMPOSITE HIGH SCHOOL TO JAPAN**

#129\24 K BELICH - That the Board approves in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip to Japan by the Ecole

Camrose Composite High School students during spring break 2025, tentatively March 22-30, 2025.

CARRIED

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Dwight Dibben declared pecuniary interest in the next item for discussion and left the meeting at 9:58 a.m

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**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL STUDY - FORESTBURG SCHOOL**

#130\24 K BELICH - That the Board approves in principle and subject to Administrative Procedure 261 'Travel Study', the international travel trip by the Forestburg High School students, tentatively March 22-31, 2025.

CARRIED

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Dwight Dibben joined the meeting at 10:14 a.m.

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**IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:14 A.M.)**

#131\24 D DIBBEN - That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Trustees, Superintendent Holoien, and Secretary-Treasurer Walsh be excluded.

CARRIED

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Stephen Hoyland, Natasha Wilm, and Michelle Girvan left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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Patrick McFeely left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

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Stephen Hoyland, Natasha Wilm, and Michelle Girvan joined the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

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Patrick McFeely joined the meeting at 10:42 a.m.

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**OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (10:47 A.M.)**

#132\24 K BELICH - The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CARRIED

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**SSC/ECCHS SUBDIVISION**

#133\24 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees provides further direction to Board Motion #73\23 to include the road allowance beside the Support Service Centre in the subdivided lot.

CARRIED

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**LEGAL DISCUSSION**

#134\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the Secretary-Treasurer to access legal as discussed in-camera.

CARRIED

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**MEETING RECESS**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 10:49 a.m. and reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

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**TECHNOLOGY FEE**

#135\24 D DIBBEN - That for the 2024 - 2025 school year, the Board of Trustees approves the technology fee at zero dollars for all grades.

DEFEATED

#136\24 D ALGAR - For the 2024 - 2025 school year, the Board of Trustees approves the technology fee as follows:

- a) Grades 1-3 - \$10.00
- b) Grades 4-12 - \$20.00

CARRIED

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**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY**

#137\24 K BELICH - The Community Engagement Committee recommends that BRSD spends up to \$8200 + GST to prepare and distribute the annual Report to the Community to households within our School Division’s geographic area.

CARRIED

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**LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURSES**

#138\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees approves the use of the following locally developed courses and any learning resources detailed in the course outline for use in BRSD Schools, beginning September 1, 2024

Course Name	Version	Course Code	First Approved Year	Last Approved Year
Mental Health Literacy 15	3 Credits (2024-2028)	LDC1027	2024-2025	2027-2028
Musical Theatre Performance 15	5 Credits (2021-2025)	LDC1858	2024-2025	2024-2025
Stained Glass 15	3 Credits (2024-2028)	LDC1659	2024-2025	2027-2028
Stained Glass 25	3 Credits (2024-2028)	LDC2659	2024-2025	2027-2028
Stained Glass 25	5 Credits (2024-2028)	LDC2659	2024-2025	2027-2028
Stained Glass 35	5 Credits (2024-2028)	LDC3659	2024-2025	2027-2028
ESL Intro to Mathematics	5 Credits	LDC1350	2024-2025	2027-2028
ESL Expository English	5 Credits	LDC1276	2024-2025	2027-2028
Academic English through English Language Development	5 Credits	LDC1149	2021-2022	2024-2025
Academic English through English Language Development	5 Credits	LDC2149	2021-2022	2024-2025
Academic English through English Language Development	5 Credits	LDC3149	2021-2022	2024-2025
Academic English through English Language Development	3 Credits	LDC1149	2021-2022	2024-2025
Academic English through English Language Development	3 Credits	LDC2149	2021-2022	2024-2025
Academic English through English Language Development	3 Credits	LDC3149	2021-2022	2024-2025
ESL Expository Language	5 Credits	LDC1271	2024-2025	2027-2028
Band 15	3 and 5 Credits	LDC1439	2021-2022	2024-2025
Band 25	3 and 5 Credits	LDC2439	2021-2022	2024-2025
Band 35	3 and 5 Credits	LDC3449	2021-2022	2024-2025

CARRIED

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**BATTLE RIVER SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS ASSOCIATION RATIFICATION**

#139\24 L ALBRECHT - That the Memorandum of Agreement between Battle River School Division Board of Trustees and the Battle River School Bus Drivers Association, as agreed to on June 17, 2024 and presented on September 26, 2024 be ratified.

CARRIED

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**POLITICAL ADVOCACY PLAN**

#140\24 D ALGAR - That the Board of Trustees accepts the Political Advocacy Plan as presented.

#141\24 D DIBBEN - That the Board of Trustees amends the Political Advocacy Plan as follows: to add meeting with urban municipal councils, clarify to meet with neighbouring school divisions, Elk Island Public School Division.

CARRIED

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**MEETING RECESS**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recessed at 12:18 p.m. and reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

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**IN-CAMERA SESSION (2:41 P.M.)**

#142\24 D DIBBEN - That the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees recess to permit Trustees to meet in-camera, and that all persons, except Trustees be excluded.

CARRIED

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Rhae-Ann Holoien, Imogene Walsh, Stephen Hoyland, Natasha Wilm, and Michelle Girvan left the meeting at 2:41 p.m.

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**OUT OF IN-CAMERA SESSION (3:05 P.M.)**

#143\24 K BELICH - The in-camera session concluded and the regular meeting reconvened.

CARRIED

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Rhae-Ann Holoien, Imogene Walsh, Stephen Hoyland, Natasha Wilm, and Michelle Girvan joined the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

All items of business being completed and there being no dissent, Chair McFeely adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

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PATRICK MCFEELY, CHAIR

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IMOGENE WALSH, SECRETARY-TREASURER

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