



Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Deer Catholic Separate School Division, held May 15, 2025, virtually.

Present: S. Heistad
M. Hollman
C. Leyson
D. Lonsdale
K. Pasula
A. Watson, Trustees
L. Latka, Secretary-Treasurer
R. Ledene, Acting Superintendent
M. St. Pierre, Executive Assistant

Not in Attendance: D. Lonsdale, Trustee

Notice of a Special Meeting

Notice was given on May 12, 2025, that a special meeting of the Board of Trustees would be called on May 15, 2025.

Chair Hollman called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Trustee Heistad read an opening prayer aloud. Vice-Chair Watson read the Land Acknowledgement aloud.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was noted that Item #3 – Approval of the May 4, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes was removed from the agenda

05/15/25-01-Heistad

THAT THE AGENDA BE ACCEPTED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

2. IN CAMERA SESSION

05/15/25-02-Leyson

THAT THAT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MOVE TO GO IN CAMERA AT 6:37 P.M.

CARRIED.

05/15/25-03-Watson

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MOVE OUT OF CAMERA AT 8:13 P.M.

CARRIED.

3. SENIOR ADMINISTRATION STRUCTURE

05/15/25-04-Pasula

THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH POLICY 12, RECRUITMENT AND SELECTION OF PERSONNEL, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DISSOLVE THE CURRENT POSITION OF ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT OF CURRICULUM AND INCLUSION AND THE POSITION OF ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SYSTEMS SERVICES AND APPROVE THE CREATION OF THE FOLLOWING TWO POSITIONS:

**(1) ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT OF LEARNING SERVICES, AND
(2) ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT OF STUDENT SERVICES,**

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2025.

CARRIED.

Trustee Pasula declared a conflict and recused himself from the meeting at 8:17 pm.

CARRIED.

4. AMENDMENT OF MAY 4, 2025 MOTION #1

05/15/25-05-Leyson

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AMEND THE MOTION PASSED IN THE MAY 4, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING , WHICH READ:

“THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AS PER THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ACT, TERMINATE DR. KATHLEEN FINNIGAN FROM HER POSITION AS SUPERINTENDENT FOR RED DEER CATHOLIC REGIONAL SCHOOL DIVISION, EFFECTIVE MAY 9, 2025,”

TO READ,

“THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, AS PER THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ACT, TERMINATE DR. KATHLEEN FINNIGAN FROM HER POSITION AS SUPERINTENDENT FOR RED DEER CATHOLIC REGIONAL SCHOOL DIVISION, WITHOUT CAUSE, EFFECTIVE MAY 9, 2025.”

CARRIED.

5. AMENDMENT OF MAY 4, 2025 MOTION #2

05/15/25-06-Heistad

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AMEND THE MOTION PASSED IN THE MAY 4, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING WHICH READ:

“THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTS THE INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSED IN CAMERA TO SERVE AS THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, EFFECTIVE MAY 9, 2025, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HIRES A PERMANENT SUPERINTENDENT, AND THAT THE BOARD INFORM THE MINISTER OF THIS DECISION”

TO READ,

“THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPOINTS RYAN LEDENE TO SERVE AS THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, EFFECTIVE MAY 9, 2025, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HIRES A PERMANENT SUPERINTENDENT, AND THAT THE BOARD INFORM THE MINISTER OF THIS DECISION”

CARRIED.

Trustee Leyson read a closing prayer aloud.

05/15/25-08-Heistad

THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN, THE TIME BEING 8:22 P.M.

(CHAIR)

(SECRETARY-TREASURER)