



September 23, 2025

## Meeting Highlights ~ Board of Trustees

Trustees Ballantyne, Pearson, Calvert, Friesen, Imrie, Mosiondz, Muswagon, Throop

### TABLE OFFICERS ACCLAIMED

*The Public Schools Act* requires the Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson be elected at the inaugural meeting of the Board each year. Trustee Linda Ballantyne was acclaimed as Chairperson and Trustee Marion Pearson was acclaimed as Vice-Chairperson.

### STRATEGIC PLAN DIALOGUE

The Board discussed and provided direction to administration regarding topics for their meeting with senior leadership (Superintendent Group) planned for October 20-21, 2025. The Board received information on the Professional Development activity planned for all Teachers on September 25-26, 2025 focusing on Wellness and Indigenous Way of Life.

### BOARD COMMITTEES and APPOINTMENTS

Appointments to the following Board committees were confirmed:

- Finance: Trustees Calvert, Mosiondz and Board Chairperson Ballantyne, and Finance Committee Chairperson Imrie,
- Policy Review: Trustees Throop, Mosiondz and Board Chairperson Ballantyne, with Trustee Montgomery to be confirmed,
- Employee Pension: Trustees Pearson and Calvert, and Finance Committee Chairperson Imrie,
- Support Staff Liaison Committee: Trustee Montgomery from Policy Review (to be confirmed) and a Trustee from Finance (to be confirmed),
- Employee Benefits: Trustee Friesen,
- Frontier Collegiate Advisory Committee: Trustee Pearson,
- Nikanirk Ohci Foundation Inc. Board of Directors: Area 1 Trustee Montgomery, Area 2 Trustee Ballantyne, Area 3 Trustee Friesen, Area 4 Trustee Calvert, Area 5 Trustee Muswagon,
- Awards Panel: Board Chairperson Ballantyne, Vice-Chairperson Pearson and Trustee Muswagon,
- Special Leave: Trustees Muswagon and Montgomery (to be confirmed),
- Divisional Hiring Committee for P.E.N.T.: Trustees Friesen and Throop.

The Board's Lobbying Committee was also confirmed: Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, Finance Committee Chairperson, Chief Superintendent and Secretary-Treasurer.

### GOVERNANCE

The Board confirmed Kelly Jacobson as Senior Elections Official for the Division. In addition, Ms. Jacobson was named as the Division's Senior Governance Support Officer providing support for the Division's governance system as well as supporting Area 4 and Area 5 school committees. The Board approved a request from the Senior Elections Official to not hold Fall By-Elections for School Committees for the remainder of this election term.

### AREA 2 TRUSTEE

The Board approved a By-Election be held of the Area 2 Advisory Committee to replace the vacant Area 2 Trustee seat for the remainder of this term (November 2022 to October 2026).

### BY-LAWS, PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board approved refinements to their Handbook discussed and reviewed at their September 5, 2025 orientation with Mac Gillivray and Critchley.

### RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE FRONTIER SCHOOL DIVISION

The Board approved the audited Pension Plan statements for the Retirement Plan for Employees of the Frontier School Division for the year ended December 31, 2024.

### RELIGIOUS EXERCISES APPROVED

The Board approved the request from the Lakefront School Committee for religious exercises (The Lord's Prayer) for the 2025/26 school year.

### SCHOOL TRIPS RATIFIED and APPROVED

The Board ratified higher care trip requests from the following schools: D.R. Hamilton, Minegoziibe Anishinabe, Falcon Beach, Cranberry Portage Elementary, Berens River, Gillam, Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (two trips).

The Board approved higher care trip requests for the following schools/locations: Engaged Learners Program, Jack River and Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (combined trip), Mel Johnson, and Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (two trips).

### DISCUSSION and DIRECTION

- A brief Finance Committee meeting report was provided.
- Direction was provided to administration to pursue a new leasing opportunity for the relocation of the Winnipeg office with further discussion to take place at the October Board meeting.

The next meeting of the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees takes place in Winnipeg on October 20-22, 2025. This meeting includes a two-day session with senior leadership scheduled for October 20-21, 2025.

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