



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LIGHT OF CHRIST R.C.S.S.D. #16 HELD IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST LEARNING CENTRE BISHOP ALBERT THEVENOT ROOM AT 5:30 P.M. ON TUESDAY APRIL 15, 2025.

PRESENT: Trustees: Gantefoer (Chair), Welter (Vice Chair), Beres, Merkowsky, Nolin, Conacher and Acosta

ALSO: Director of Education Rideout
Chief Financial Officer Kist (Secretary to the Board)
Superintendent of Learning Volk
Superintendent of Learning Gidych
Superintendent of Learning Hrabinsky

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gantefoer at 5:53 p.m.

The opening prayer and land acknowledgment was led by Gary Nolin.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Trustee Merkowsky that the agenda be adopted as amended.

(1284-041525)

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF OFFICE BY BOARD MEMBER

Trustee Acosta declared her declaration of office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Moved by Trustee Beres that the minutes of the regular meeting of March 18, 2025 be approved as presented.

(1285-041525)

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that the consent agenda items be received, and recommendations be approved as presented.

(1286-041525)

CARRIED

5. DELEGATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

5.1 Linkage meeting – Living Sky School Division

6. DISCUSSION/DECISION

- 6.2 Provincial Collective Bargaining Agreement 2023-2026 Update – Discussed
- 6.3 Change Room Policy – Expectations & Consultation Process – Discussed
- 6.4 Lumen Christi Award Nomination – Discussed
- 6.6 2025-26 School Division Budget – Discussed

EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX MILL RATES 2025

Motion: Trustee Welter moved that the Board of Education approve the 2025 Board Mill Rates as listed below:

2025 Mill Rates for School Divisions within the Province of Saskatchewan	
Agricultural Property	1.07
Commercial Property	
Commercial/Industrial Properties	6.37
Resource Properties	7.49
Residential Property	4.27

(1287-041525)

CARRIED

PLANET YOUTH INITIATIVES - BATTLEFORDS

Motion: Moved by Trustee Merkowsky that the Board of Education approves the Planet Youth Initiatives as written in DOE Report.

(1288-041525)

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 Discontinuation of Grade 12 Saskatchewan Provincial Examinations – Discussed

8. REPORTS AND GOOD NEWS

- 8.1 Sakewew Report – Discussed
- 8.2 Governance expenses as of March 31, 2025 – Discussed
- 8.4 SSBA Spring Assembly Report – April 3-4, 2025 - Discussed
- 8.5 SCSBA Board of Directors Meeting Report – April 5, 2025 – Discussed

TRANSPORTATION REPORT

Motion: Moved by Trustee Welter that the transportation report be approved as presented.

(1289-041525)

CARRIED

Moved into CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that the Board of Education enter a Committee of the Whole – In Camera Session.

(1290-041525)

CARRIED

Moved out of CLOSED SESSION

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that the Board of Education exit the Committee of the Whole – In Camera Session.

(1291-041525)

CARRIED

10. Monitoring Meeting Effectiveness

Very Good

11. Round Table

12. Closing Prayer – Gary Nolin

Note: Prayer for next meeting – Helen Conacher

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Trustee Acosta that the meeting be adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

(1292-041525)

CARRIED

Secretary

Chair