



**MINUTES OF AN ORGANIZATIONAL 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 6:00 P.M. ON  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025.**

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

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

The meeting was called to order by Director Rideout at 6:00 p.m.

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**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Moved by Trustee Merkowsky that the agenda be adopted as  
presented, seconded by Trustee Welter.

(1326-112525)

**CARRIED**

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**ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS**

Trustee Beres nominates Trustee Gantefoer as Chairperson, seconded  
by Trustee Welter.

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that nominations cease.

(1327-112525)

**CARRIED**

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Trustee Merkowsky nominates Trustee Welter as Vice Chairperson, seconded by Trustee Nolin.

Motion: Trustee Nolin moved that nominations cease.

(1328-112525)

**CARRIED**

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#### **APPOINTMENT OF SIGNING OFFICERS**

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that the Board of Education appoint the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson and the Chief Financial Officer as signing officers of the Board, seconded by Trustee Welter.

(1329-112525)

**CARRIED**

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#### **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

Motion: Trustee Acosta moved that the Board of Education appoint Board Members to represent the Board on the following committees/organizations as detailed in the table below, seconded by Trustee Merkowsky.

Faith Development Committee	Trustees Conacher and Welter
Audit and Pension Committee	Trustee Beres, Nolin, and Merkowsky
SCSBA Board of Directors	Trustee Welter
Battlefords First Nations High School Joint Board of Education	Trustee Gantefer

(1330-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

Motion: Trustee Beres moved that the Board of Education appoint the firm of Vantage Chartered Professional Accountants as auditors for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, seconded by Trustee Nolin.

(1331-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **APPOINTMENT OF ATTENDANCE COUNSELLOR**

Motion: Trustee Beres moved that the Board of Education appoint Caralynn Gidych as Attendance Counsellor for the Light of Christ Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 16, seconded by Trustee Merkowsky.

(1332-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **APPOINTMENT OF PRIVACY OFFICER**

Motion: Trustee Welter moved that the Board of Education appoint Tyson Volk as Privacy Officer for the Light of Christ Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 16, seconded by Trustee Acosta.

(1332-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **BORROWING AUTHORIZATION**

Motion: Trustee Merkowsky moved that the Board of Education authorize the signing officers to arrange for borrowing, if necessary, to cover current expenditures, to a maximum of one million five hundred thousand, seconded by Trustee Nolin.

(1333-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **DATES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS**

Motion: Trustee Nolin moved that the Board of Education hold its regular meetings in the Light of Christ Learning Centre, according to the Continuous Agenda approved by the Board annually, seconded by Trustee Beres.

(1334-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Motion: Trustee Acosta moved that the Board of Education, publish its regular meetings minutes on the Light of Christ Catholic Schools' website, seconded by Trustee Welter.

(1335-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **BOARD MEMBER PER DIEM**

Motion: Trustee Nolin moved that the Board of Education authorizes the payment of board indemnity by way of semi-monthly direct deposit through the payroll system, seconded by Trustee Merkowsky.

(1336-112525)

**CARRIED**

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## **BOARD PER DIEM'S AND EXPENSE ALLOWANCE**

Motion: Trustee Acosta moved that the Board of Education approve the Board Member per diem rates and expense allowances as included in the table below, seconded by Trustee Welter.

(1337-112525)

**CARRIED**

**Board Indemnity and Expenses**

November 25, 2025 - Organizational Board Meeting

**Board Indemnity***Effective dates follow Provincial CBA*

	Rate
<b>Board Member</b>	8% of Class VI, Maximum Step
<b>Board Vice Chair</b> (1/2 Chair Rate)	Board Member + 50% of additional Chair Rate
<b>Board Chair</b> (+25% of BM Rate)	Board Member Rate + 25%

**Meal Rates***Effective December 1, 2025*

	Per Diem (In Province)		Per Diem (Out of Country -CAD)	
<b>Breakfast</b>	\$	16.00	\$	21.00
<b>Lunch</b>	\$	23.00	\$	28.00
<b>Supper</b>	\$	31.00	\$	36.00
**Or actual receipted				

**Travel Rates***Effective December 1, 2025*

Kilometre Rate (out of town)	Board Meeting Travel/Driving Time
\$0.57	\$25/hour

**Board Member Per Diem***Effective December 1, 2025*

\$250.00 per day
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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Moved by Trustee Merkowsky that the meeting be adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

(1338-112525)

**CARRIED****Secretary**  
**Chair**