



Peace Wapiti Public School Division

Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2025 - Peace Wapiti Board Meeting - 10:30 AM

In Person:

Wendy Kelm, Stefanie Clarke, Blaine Riding, Millie Turner

Via Google Meet:

Dwayne Speager, Dale Crane, Lori Grant, Dana McIntosh, Martine Piebiak

Administration:

Bob Stewart, Darren Young, Ralph Paquin, Shawn O'Shea, Kayla Klava, and Keli Houle

Via Google Meet:

Penny Rose

1. Trustee Disclosure (Reminder)

Trustees must disclose any potential pecuniary interest in any matter before the Board of Trustees, as set forth in the agencies as well as any pecuniary interest in any contract before the Board requiring the Board's approval and/or ratification.

2. Call to Order (Chair)

Vice Chair Riding called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

3. O Canada

4. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the traditional homelands of this area's diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis people. Our name, Peace Wapiti, pays tribute to the many rivers within our boundaries and exists within Treaty 8 territory. We are committed to working together to ensure these lands and its people are cared for and respected as long as the sun shines, grass grows and rivers flow.

5. Consent Agenda (Chair)

Resolution # BM20250313.1001

Moved By: Trustee Kelm

that the Board approve the Consent Agenda including:

1. Peace Wapiti Board Minutes - February 20, 2025

2. Information

a. Speaker's Corner Report, Tr. Riding

Carried

6. Adoption of Agenda (Chair)

Resolution # BM20250313.1002

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board approve the agenda with the addition of the following:

9.5 2025 Chamber of Commerce Round Table

9.6 Borrowing Resolution

and the removal of:

9.4 Eaglesham Playschool.

Carried

7. Good News

8. Presentations

8.1 11:30 a.m. Numeracy Annual Report (Asst. Supt. Rose)

Resolution # BM20250313.1003

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board receive the Numeracy Annual Report as information.

Carried

Rhonda Giesbrecht and Nicki Nightingale attended the meeting from 11:31 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

8.2 12:45 p.m. Inclusive Education Annual Report (Asst. Supt. O'Shea)

Resolution # BM20250313.1004

Moved By: Trustee Turner

that the Board receive the Inclusive Education Annual Report as information.

Carried

Erin MacLellan attended the meeting from 12:45 p.m. to 2:11 p.m.

9. Action Items

9.1 Approval of Capital Plan (Dep. Supt. Young)

Resolution # BM20250313.1005

Moved By: Trustee McIntosh

that the Board approve the 2026-2029 Capital Plan as presented.

Carried

9.2 Friends of Education (Tr. Piebiak)

Resolution # BM20250313.1006

Moved By: Trustee Piebiak

that the Board nominate the Iceberg Hockey Tournament for the ASBA Friends of Education Award.

Carried

9.3 2025 Election

9.3.1 Deputy Returning Officer (Sec. Houle)

Resolution # BM20250313.1007

Moved By: Trustee Clarke

that the Board appoint Keli Houle as the Deputy Returning Officer for the 2025 School Board Elections.

Carried

9.3.2 Joint Elections (Sec. Houle)**Resolution # BM20250313.1008****Moved By:** Trustee Kelm

that the Board agree to enter into joint elections agreements with local authorities that have areas in common with The Peace Wapiti School Division.

Carried**9.4 2025 Chamber of Commerce Round Table (Tr. Grant)****Resolution # BM20250313.1009****Moved By:** Trustee McIntosh

that the Board approve the attendance of Trustee Grant or an alternate at the Chamber of Commerce Round Table event on April 4, 2025.

Carried**9.5 Borrowing Resolution (Sec. Treas. Paquin)****Resolution # BM20250313.1010****Moved By:** Trustee Clarke

that the Peace Wapiti School Division is authorized to borrow up to a maximum of \$2,015,000 from Scotiabank for overdraft bank protection.

Carried**9.6 HRS & HET International Travel Approval in Principle, Japan 2026 (Tr. Kelm)****Resolution # BM20250313.1011****Moved By:** Trustee Riding

that the Board grant approval in principle for Hythe Regional School and Helen E. Taylor for Grades 8 and 9 to travel to Japan in April 2026, pending compliance with Policy HGCG - Off-Site Activities.

Carried Unanimously**10. Reports****10.1 Superintendent's Report (Supt. Stewart)****Resolution # BM20250313.1012****Moved By:** Trustee Turner

that the Board receive the Superintendent's Report as information.

Carried**10.2 Alberta Rural Education Symposium (Tr. Piebiak)****Resolution # BM20250313.1013****Moved By:** Trustee Piebiak

that the Board receive the Alberta Rural Education Symposium Report as information.

Carried

10.3 ASBA Zone 1 Meeting (Tr. Riding)**Resolution # BM20250313.1014****Moved By:** Trustee Riding

that the Board receive the ASBA Zone 1 Meeting Report as information.

Carried**10.4 Political Action Committee Report (Tr. McIntosh)****Resolution # BM20250313.1015****Moved By:** Trustee McIntosh

that the Board receive the Political Action Committee Report as information.

Carried**11. Board Calendar**

The Board Calendar was reviewed.

11.1 CASS First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Gathering (Tr. Clarke)

Information regarding the CASS First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education Gathering being held in Edmonton on April 30 to May 1, 2025, was reviewed.

11.2 CSBA 2025 Conference (Tr. Riding)**Resolution # BM20250313.1016****Moved By:** Trustee Kelm

that the Board approve the attendance of trustees at the CSBA Conference, Winnipeg, from July 2-5, 2025.

Carried**12. Closed Session****Resolution # BM20250313.1017****Moved By:** Trustee McIntosh

that the meeting move into Closed Session at 11:17 a.m.

Carried**13. Regular Session****Resolution # BM20250313.1018****Moved By:** Trustee Clarke

that the meeting move back into Regular Session at 11:28 a.m.

Carried**14. Adjournment****Resolution # BM20250313.1019****Moved By:** Trustee Kelm

that the meeting be adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

Carried

Board Chair

Corporate Officer