

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education of the Saskatoon School Division No. 13 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Board Chair Kim Stranden, Trustees Angela Arneson, Donna Banks, Vernon Linklater, Tanya Napper, Anne-Marie Rollo, Kirk Jones, Jennifer Scherman, Kevin Schmidt, Ross Tait

Regrets: No regrets this evening

1. Roll Call

2. Acknowledgement

Chair Stranden called the meeting to order, read the roll call into the minutes, acknowledged the land on which we gather.

3. Adoption of Agenda and Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Trustee Rollo moved approval of the agenda.

CARRIED (10)

4. Celebrating Excellence

4.1. Camp Brain Power

Jennifer Buettner, camp coordinator, along with camp teachers Denée Beauchamp and Samara Lishchynsky from the Wildwood site, and Matthew and Leslie Greschner with their children from Roland Michener School, shared the impact of Camp Brain Power on students and families. The one-week, full-day summer camp for Grade 2 and 3 students is offered free of charge through community donors and sponsors and combines literacy instruction with physical movement and hands-on activities, fostering student confidence, engagement and well-being while supporting Saskatoon Public Schools' strategic commitments.

5. Consent Items

Trustee Schmidt moved that the board approve the consent items as presented.

5.1. Approval of Minutes: June 17, 2025

5.2. Secure Destruction of Records

CARRIED (10)

Information

- 5.3. Correspondence
- 5.4. Ministry's Teacher Innovation Support and Fund

6. Reports from Administrative Staff

Information

- 6.1. School Opening Update: Director Skjerven provided a school opening update noting the staff and new teacher orientation, registration and the first day of classes. Highlights included a continued focus on early literacy and expanded programming, strong media coverage of back-to-school, new staff wellness initiatives, extensive facilities and technology upgrades and support for staff and students following the Evan Hardy review.

7. Delegations

No delegations.

8. Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arising from the minutes.

9. Unfinished Business

- 9.1. Audit Service Plan for the Fiscal Year Ended August 31, 2025: Trustee Napper moved that the board approve the audit service plan for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2025.

CARRIED (10)

- 9.2. Lac La Ronge Indian Band - Urban Reserve Tax Compensation Agreement: Trustee Scherman moved the board approve the tax compensation agreement with the Lac La Ronge Indian Band for 211 Wheeler Street, Saskatoon, subject to agreement from all parties involved.

CARRIED (10)

- 9.3. Board Subcommittee Minutes: Trustee Banks moved that the board approve the minutes of the Board Audit and Risk Committee meeting of June 17, 2025.

CARRIED (10)

10. Reports of Trustees

Trustee Arneson

- Attended:
 - New Teacher Orientation
 - Pension Professional Development regarding Foundations of Trust Management Plans

- Reported that she will be attending the Willowgrove School Pancake Breakfast on September 19, 2025.

Trustee Schmidt

- Attended:
 - The Rock Your Roots Reconciliation Walk
 - The Pride Parade
 - Walter Murray Collegiate's Graduation
 - CSBA Conference
 - New Teacher Orientation
 - SSSAD Awards Breakfast
 - Pension Professional Development: International Foundation Advanced Trustee Training

Trustee Rollo

- Reported on building relationships with the new administration in her ward.

Trustee Tait

- Reported on visits to schools in his ward.

Trustee Jones

- Attended:
 - Graduations in his ward
 - The Pride Parade
 - SSSAD Awards Breakfast

Trustee Stranden

- Attended:
 - Pension Professional Development regarding Foundations of Trust Management Plans
 - SSSAD Awards Breakfast
 - New Teacher Orientation
 - Tommy Douglas Collegiate vs. Bethlehem Collegiate opening football game
 - Lawson Heights for the new Playground Grant Program Launch
 - Vincent Massey School Pancake Breakfast
- Reported on taking part in an interview with CTV News

Trustee Scherman

- Attended:
 - Silverwood School Community Council meeting
 - Lawson Heights School for the new Playground Grant Program Launch
 - City Centre Sod Turning
 - Marion M. Graham Collegiate's Graduation

- Reported on connecting with new principals in her ward.

Trustee Banks

- Attended:
 - Grade 8 farewells at Fairhaven, Lester B. Pearson and James L. Alexander schools
 - City Centre Sod Turning
 - Tommy Douglas Collegiate Graduation
 - Tommy Douglas Collegiate's last staff meeting
 - Lester B. Pearson Year-End Assembly
 - SSBA Executive Meeting
 - All schools in her ward
 - New Teacher Orientation
 - Lloydminster to visit the school division and tour the school expansion
 - SSSAD Awards Breakfast
 - SSBA Meetings
 - Indigenous Council Meeting
 - SSBA Relocatable WAG Meeting
 - Tommy Douglas Collegiate senior girls' and boys' volleyball games
 - Tommy Douglas Collegiate vs. Bethlehem Football game

Trustee Linklater

- Attended:
 - A fourth-year anniversary Pipe Ceremony, Sweat Lodge and Feast for a Bedford Road Collegiate student.

Trustee Napper

- Attended:
 - Grade Eight Farewells for École Forest Grove School and École Henry Kelsey.
 - The Pride Parade
 - Marion M. Graham Collegiate Graduation as a parent.
- Reported on connecting with all the schools in her ward.

11. New Business

- 11.1. Transfer of Provincial Funding for Holmwood Land Purchase: Trustee Rollo moved that the board approve the payment of \$1,876,500 to the City of Saskatoon for Saskatoon Public Schools' share of the Holmwood joint-use high schools land purchase, using funds received from the provincial government for this purpose.

CARRIED (10)

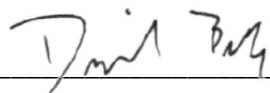
12. Notices of Motion: There were no notices of motion.

13. Questions by Trustees: Trustee Arneson inquired about Bill 137 and the ban on third-party providers in schools, asking if administration was aware of any government changes and requested that administration follow up with the provincial government.
14. Comments/Concerns/Questions from the Public: There were no comments/concerns/questions from the public.
15. Adjournment

Trustee Linklater moved that the board adjourn to the call of the chair or the board meeting of Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

CARRIED (10)

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.



Secretary of the School Division

Board Chair