

1. IN-CAMERA SESSION

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Proposed Motion: That the agenda be adopted (as presented) or (as amended).

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Proposed Motions:

a) That the minutes of the [September 21, 2021 Regular Board meeting](#) be adopted (as presented) or (as amended).

5. DELEGATIONS & SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

6. CONSENSUS AGENDA ITEMS

Proposed motion: That the Board moved that the following consent items be approved as presented and that the Board receive the following items as information:

- Director's Personnel Report - September 2021
- [AP 309- COVID Vaccination](#)
- Correspondence.

7. DISCUSSION/DECISION - BOARD DIRECTION

A. New Business

1. [Director of Education Resignation](#)
2. [Director of Education Recruitment](#)
3. [Ministry of Education - Application for Relocatables](#)
4. [Closure of Gronlid Central School](#)

B. Monitoring and Reporting Items

1. [September 30, 2021 Enrollment numbers](#)

C. Board of Education Strategic Direction Items

1. [SSBA Fall Assembly - has been moved to VIRTUAL - voting delegates](#)

***8. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. [Director's Personnel Report - September 2021](#)

2. Out of Province Travel Report - None
3. CONFIDENTIAL Student Suspensions - None
4. Administrative Procedures – [AP 309 - COVID Vaccination](#)

***9. CORRESPONDENCE**

- [093021-Director of Education letter](#)
- [092421-Chief Morley Watson Concern-Truth; 100821-MoE Letter-Chief Morley Watson RE: Truth and Reconciliation](#)
- [Dagg concern; MoE ltr-Dagg](#)

10. SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

- [SSBA Fall General Assembly Update](#)

11. IDENTIFICATION OF EMERGENT ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

12. ADJOURNMENT

13. TEN-MINUTE RECESS AND MEDIA INTERVIEWS (if necessary)

14. CLOSED SESSION ROUNDTABLE AND MEETING REVIEW

**NORTH EAST SCHOOL DIVISION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 21, 2021**

MINUTES OF A MEETING: of the Board of Education of the North East School Division No. 200 of Saskatchewan, held on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 1:30 pm virtually via BOARD TEAMS, due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

PRESENT:

Kathrene Bank	Ted Kwiatkowski	Director of Education: Don Rempel
Dustin Kelsey	Kevin Trew	Supt. of Business Admin.: Wanda McLeod
Lori Kidney	Marla Walton – Chair	

ABSENT:

Kevin Graham
Tyson Waldner

CALL TO ORDER at 1:27pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2021-09-84 K. Bank moved that the agenda be adopted as presented. *CARRIED*

MINUTES

2021-09-85 K. Trew moved that the minutes of the August 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting be adopted as presented. *CARRIED*

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

- Mark Jensen, Coordinator of Continuous Improvement and Reporting – Wall Walk September 2021

2021-09-86 L. Kidney moved that the Board approves, as a monitoring report, the September 2021 Wall Walk for the key data sets of the North East School Division for the end of the 2020-2021 school year. *CARRIED*

CONSENSUS ITEMS

2021-09-87 D. Kelsey moved that the Board approve the following consent items as presented and that the Board receive the following items as information: *CARRIED*

- Director's Personnel Report - July 1 - Aug 31, 2021
- Out of Province Travel - September 2021
- Correspondence.

NEW BUSINESS

None

MONITORING AND REPORTING ITEMS

2021-09-88 T. Kwiatkowski moved that the Board accept the North East School Division Transportation Report: September 2020 to June 2021. *CARRIED*

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| 2021-09-89 | K. Bank moved that the Board of Education has received the 2021 School Sustainability Report and found it acceptable. | CARRIED |
| 2021-09-90 | L. Kidney moved that the Board of Education has received the report on opening enrolments as of September 15, 2021 and found it acceptable. | CARRIED |
| 2021-09-91 | T. Kwiatkowski moved that the Board of Education has reviewed the September 17, 2021 version of the NESD Safe School Plan and finds it acceptable. | CARRIED |

STRATEGIC DIRECTION ITEMS

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| 2021-09-92 | D. Kelsey move that pursuant to Subsection 55(1) of <i>The School Division Administration Regulations</i> , the Board of Education for the North East School Division No. 200 of Saskatchewan intends to review the viability of Grades Kindergarten to Grade 8 at Gronlid Central School, Gronlid, Saskatchewan in accordance with the review criteria as outlined in article 4 of Board Policy 114, School Viability Review. | CARRIED |
| 2021-09-93 | <p>T. Kwiatkowski moved that pursuant to subsection 55(1)(b) and in accordance with section 59 of <i>The School Division Administration Regulations</i>, the Board establishes a School Review Committee for Gronlid Central School to consist of the following members:</p> <p>a) four members of the school community council representing the school under review, appointed by the School Community Council of Gronlid Central School but not including a principal or teacher appointed to this school community council under <i>The Education Regulations, 2015</i>.</p> <p>b) two individuals appointed by the Rural Municipality of Willow Creek No. 458:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. One of whom is an elected member of the municipality; and ii. One of whom is not an elected member but is a resident of the Gronlid Central School attendance area. <p>c) excluding the municipality mentioned in clause (b) two individuals jointly appointed by the following municipalities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Rural Municipality of Connaught No. 457, Rural Municipality of Kinistino No. 459, Rural Municipality of Nipawin No. 487; and <p>d) one individual appointed by the James Smith First Nation if the First Nation elects to be represented on the School Review Committee.</p> | CARRIED |

ADJOURNMENT

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| 2021-09-94 | K. Trew moved that the Board Meeting adjourn at 2:32pm. | CARRIED |
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NESD Board Chair/Vice-Chair

Superintendent of Business Administration



NESD Board of Education

Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

Topic: Director of Education Resignation

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	INTENT
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board Meeting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Business	<input type="checkbox"/> Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Committee of the Whole	<input type="checkbox"/> Board Strategic Direction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decision
<input type="checkbox"/> Audit Committee Meeting	<input type="checkbox"/> Monitoring or Reporting Items	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion
	<input type="checkbox"/> Information Items	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence	

BACKGROUND

The Board of Education has a contract of employment with Donald Rempel with respect to the position of Director of Education. The agreement remains in effect until June 30, 2023 or until terminated in a manner set out in the agreement.

CURRENT STATUS

The Director of Education has provided six months' written notice of termination of employment with the Board of Education.

RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Board Motion:

That the Board of Education accept the September 30, 2021 letter of resignation from Don Rempel, the Director of Education for the North East School Division, effective March 31, 2022.

PREPARED BY	DATE	ATTACHMENTS
Don Rempel, Director of Education	October 6, 2021	D. Rempel – Sept. 30, 2021 Letter of Resignation



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September 30, 2021

Ms. Marla Walton
Chairperson, Board of Education
North East School Division
Box 6000, 402 Main Street
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Dear Marla,

Please accept this letter as my notice of resignation to the Board of Education. As per the terms of my contract, I am providing six months' written notice to the Board. My last day of employment with the North East School Division will be March 31, 2022.

Thank you Marla, for the leadership and direction that you and the Board of Education have provided the school division. I am blessed to work alongside a highly dedicated staff and have never taken for granted the unwavering support for education that families in the north-east provide our schools.

I look forward to finishing my term as Director and would like to thank the Board of Education for providing me the opportunity to serve in the North East School Division.

Sincerely,

Don Rempel

CC: Board of Education of the North East School Division



NESD Board of Education

Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

Topic: Director of Education Recruitment

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	INTENT
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BACKGROUND

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On September 30, 2021, the North East School Division's Director of Education, Don Rempel, submitted to the Board of Education his resignation letter giving six months' notice as per the terms of his contract. Mr. Rempel's date of resignation is March 31, 2022.

CURRENT STATUS

- With the resignation of the Director of Education, the Board must start the recruitment process for his replacement.
- A recruitment selection committee should be formed with a committee chair and two additional people. The board chair will be signing the contracts with the chosen recruitment company; therefore, it is suggested this person be part of the committee.
- The recruitment selection committee will have the mandate of choosing the executive search firm. The entire board will have the responsibility of selecting the new Director of Education.
- According to legislation, the Board must provide a letter to the Minister of Education when a successful candidate has been chosen.

RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Board Motion:

That the Board establish a recruitment selection committee with the following members: XXXX, XXXX and XXXX.

PREPARED BY	DATE	ATTACHMENTS
Marla Walton – Board Chair	October 15, 2021	



NESD Board of Education

Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

Topic: Application to the Ministry of Education – Relocatable Classrooms

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	INTENT
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BACKGROUND

The deadline for the “2021-22 Relocatable Classroom Program Application” is November 3, 2021.

CURRENT STATUS

There are no schools in the school division that would qualify for a Ministry of Education funded relocatable. As a result, Administration is recommending that NESD does not submit a 2021-22 Relocatable Classroom Program Application.

RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Motion:

That the Board approve there will be no submission made to the Ministry of Education for the *2021-22 Relocatable Classroom Program Application*.

PREPARED BY	DATE	ATTACHMENTS
Wanda McLeod, Superintendent of Business Administration Jeff Zenner, Manager of Facilities	October 12, 2021	



NESD Board of Education

Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

Topic: Gronlid Central School

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	INTENT
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BACKGROUND

The Board of Education, in its efforts to provide meaningful learning opportunities that reflect that Board’s vision, mission and commitments for student learning, recognizes that it needs to maintain viable schools, classrooms and programs. Consequently, the Board will, from time to time, need to consider grade discontinuance or school closure based on the learning needs of students and based on utilizing resources effectively and efficiently.

If the Board wishes to consider the possible closure or the discontinuance of grades at a school, a school review must be completed. At the September 21, 2021 meeting of the Board, a motion was passed to review the viability of Kindergarten to Grade 8 at Gronlid Central School.

CURRENT STATUS

At any time during the school review process the SCC can consent to school closure. Consent by the SCC means that the school review process is halted and the board moves directly to development of a transition plan and closure. On September 22, 2021, the Gronlid Central School Community Council met and passed a motion providing consent to close Gronlid Central School following the 2021-2022 school year.

RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Board Motions:

Whereas, the Board of Education of the North East School Division identified Gronlid Central School under Board Policy 114: *School Viability* as meeting the criteria for a school review; And whereas, the Board reviewed materials relevant to the closure of Gronlid Central School including the Gronlid Central School Community Council’s motion of its consent to close Gronlid Central School following the 2021-2022 school year; Therefore it is moved that the Board of Education hereby exercises its discretion pursuant to s. 54 of *The School Division Administration Regulations* to discontinue the school review process and close Gronlid Central School effective July 4, 2022.

PREPARED BY	DATE	ATTACHMENTS
Don Rempel, Director of Education	October 7, 2021	Gronlid SCC Minutes of Wednesday September 22, 2021

GRONLID SCC MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday September 22, 2021

Time: 2:15 p.m.

In Attendance

Amy Hedin, Michelle Hiebert, Jennifer Moskal, Pam VanReeuwyk, Cassandra Neufeld, Shelly Craik

Agenda

As of September 21, 2021 the Board of Education has notified the School Community Council of its intention to review the viability of Grades kindergarten to Grade 8 at Gronlid Central School.

Discussion

Prior to summer (May 19, 2021) the SCC released the following letter to parents:

As we enter into the summer months, the Gronlid School Community Council (SCC) feels the need to communicate with you on a very important issue. The SCC has received notification that the N.E.S.D. Board of Education and Director of Education have made the decision that Gronlid Central School meets the criteria to go under review for closure. As an SCC we have went through the guidelines outlined in *The Education Regulations*, and determined what has flagged Gronlid Central School into review. Unfortunately, Gronlid school meets all criteria for closure including;

- Below minimum enrollment numbers. Gronlid has 19 students enrolled from K-8. Criteria set out by *The Education Regulations*, for a K-8 school is 51 students.
- The physical condition of the school.
- Operational cost per student.
- Number of grades combined in each classroom.

The SCC believes it is their responsibility to do what is in the best interest of our children and families. We understand the impact school closure has and the process it takes to transition our children into an alternative school. Since Gronlid School meets ALL criteria outlined above, the SCC concludes closure is inevitable. In September 2021 if the NESD Board of Education

makes a motion to begin the review process, the SCC has made the decision that we will not proceed. Instead the SCC will agree to school closure so that we can ensure families have a much longer timeline to communicate and decide their options including bussing, school opportunities and transition plans for the 2022-2023 school year. We feel it's best to not focus all our time next school year on the review process and instead give our full attention to meeting with student' families and community members to make the best arrangements for everyone involved.

This was a very difficult decision for the Gronlid School Community Council! We are a group of parents, teachers, staff and community members that have dedicated countless volunteer hours to make Gronlid School the most unique, versatile and adaptive school within the division. We are very proud of what the school has to offer and are deeply saddened by the divisions news.

Board Main Motion

The SCC will consent to the closure of Gronlid Central School following the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by: Michelle Hiebert

Second by: Pam VanReeuwyk

Passed without dissent.

Next Meeting

To be determined



NESD Board of Education

Meeting Date: October 19, 2021

Topic: September 30, 2021 Enrolment for the North East School Division

MEETING	AGENDA ITEM	INTENT
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BACKGROUND

The preliminary September 15, 2021 enrolment information was provided to the Board at the Regular Meeting on September 21, 2021.

CURRENT STATUS

Please find attached the enrolment information to September 30, 2021. On September 30, 2021, enrolment totaled 4,828 students. This compares to the projected enrolment of 4,747 and the September 30, 2020 actuals of 4,744. The funding of the school division for 2021-22 will be based on the September 30, 2021 actual enrolment number.

RECOMMENDATION

Proposed Board Motion:

That the Board of Education has received the report on enrolments of the schools for the North East School Division as of September 30, 2021 and found it acceptable.

PREPARED BY	DATE	ATTACHMENTS
Don Rempel, Director of Education Wanda McLeod, Superintendent of Business Administration	October 13, 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 30, 2021 Enrolment Count

September 30, 2021 NESD Enrollment Count

	Arborfield	Bjorkdale	Brunswick	Carrot River Elem	Carrot River High	Central Park	Gronlid	Hudson Bay	LP Miller	Maude Burke	Melfort Unit CC	Miner Creek	Naicam	Porcupine Plain	Reynolds	Star City Colony	Star City School	Tisdale Elem	Tisdale Middle & SS	Wagner	White Fox	William Mason	Remote	Total by Grade	Home-school		
Kindergarten	8	4	28	22		75	0	19		17		0	9	13	36	0	7	56			5	8		307	11		
Grade 1	10	3	29	20		49	2	30		22		1	15	10	27	2	10	55			11	14		310	24		
Grade 2	6	7	27	23		75	5	24		25		3	9	25	41	1	6	43			5	9		334	21		
Grade 3	6	6	30	17		64	3	19		17		0	21	15	37	0	5	51			9	11		311	27		
Grade 4	8	5	24	20			4	35		23		1	14	16	33	0	6	39		71	11	9		319	16		
Grade 5	5	5	44		16		1	22		29		2	21	16	33	3	10	51		89	8	17		372	21		
Grade 6	8	9	42		17		2	24		14		0	19	25	34	1	3		62	73	13	12		358	22		
Grade 7	5	6			25		1	29	74		98	2	20	20		2	6		61		6	11		366	21		
Grade 8	5	4			19		0	30	82		96	0	18	12		1	5		67		9	12		360	16		
Grade 9	10	4			26			23	62		98	2	20	18		3	6		68		9	9		358	15		
Grade 10	1	3			22			24	91		106	0	17	16		0	3		87			10		380	9		
Grade 11	3	4			15			21	69		86		12	18			3		79			10		320	9		
Grade 12	6	2			24			31	97		94		14	14			5		63			12	1	363	7		
K-12 totals	81	62	224	102	164	263	18	331	475	147	578	11	209	218	241	13	75	295	487	233	86	144	1	4458	219	4677	Base
EE			1			3		1		1				2	2						1					11	EE
Pre K						62		16		15					32			15							140	140	Pre K
PK-12 total	81	62	225	102	164	328	18	348	475	163	578	11	209	220	275	13	75	310	487	233	87	144	1	4609	219	4828	TOTAL
SEPT 30 2020	74	64	234	89	161	319	29	321	436	165	558	11	195	225	245	15	60	317	439	219	89	141	130		208	4744	
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