

NO. #2026R-7 (TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026)

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SASKATCHEWAN RIVERS PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION NO. 119 FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, EDUCATION CENTRE, 545 11TH STREET EAST, PRINCE ALBERT, SK

PRESENT:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

C. BLOOM, Board Chair

J. BROWN, Trustee

N. FRANC, Trustee

B. GEROW, Trustee

B. HOLLICK, Trustee (absent)

M. LEWIS, Trustee

A. LINDBERG, Trustee

A. NUNN, Vice-Chair

D. SANDER, Trustee

B. YEAMAN, Trustee

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

N. Finch, Director of Education

J. Pidborochynski, Chief Financial Officer

C. Trann, Superintendent of Schools

J. Court, Superintendent of Schools

G. Tebay, Superintendent of Schools (virtually)

J. Ward, Administrative Services Officer

C. Bloom, Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION:

#26R-33

Moved by A. Lindberg that the meeting move into Closed Session with Board and Administration present.

Carried.

Regular meeting resumed.

OTHERS:

M. Oleksyn, Prince Albert Daily Herald (left meeting at 3:15 p.m.)

B. Yeaman provided his personal land acknowledgment.

Trustees were given an opportunity to provide any conflict of interest.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

#26R-34

Moved by D. Sander that the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried.

DELEGATION:

(a) Feeding Our Future

Feeding Our Future is a vital initiative that provides emergency lunches to elementary students in Prince Albert. The generous support for the Feeding Our Future program comes from our four local partners: Lake Country Co-op, Lakeland Ford – Hyundai & Kia, Broda Group/B&B Construction, and Conexus Credit Union. Representatives from these partners were on hand to receive small token of appreciation.

CONSENT ITEMS:

#26R-35

Moved by A. Lindberg that the following consent item be approved:

(a) Minutes of the Regular meeting of June 15, 2026 be approved as presented.

(b) Administrative Procedure change.

Carried.

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTS

(a) Accountability Report – Human Resources

J. Court and C. Trann, Superintendents of Schools, reviewed the Human Resources Accountability Report for information.

#26R-35

Moved by A. Nunn that the Board approve the Human Resources Accountability Report as presented.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

(a) Matters and Motions from the Closed Session of September 8, 2026:

No motions brought forward.

(b) Verbal Update on the Canadian School Boards Association Congress

Mira Lewis, Bill Yeaman, and Jill Brown provided a verbal overview of some of the sessions they attended. All three expressed that the conference was excellent and very worthwhile.

M. Lewis left the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

(c) SSBA Information – Submission of Bylaw Amendments and Resolutions

The information from the SSBA regarding the bylaw amendments, resolutions process deadlines for submission was shared. The topic will be placed on an upcoming Board agenda.

(d) Review of the Board Development Plan for 2026-2027

A. Nunn provided an overview of the focus of the Board's development plan for the year. Topics will be addressed during scheduled meetings of the Board of Education. Learning will take place related to how the Division is doing in achieving the different areas of the SRPSD strategic plan.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

(a) Director's Update

• Student Updates

The UFLI Phonics Program will be supported division-wide across all Grade K-3 classrooms and is in year 4. The UFLI program provides a strong framework for promoting reading success among students at all grade levels. In conjunction with our Literacy Model and Phonics Benchmarking Scope and Sequence, teachers are provided with the necessary tools to both deliver and assess effective phonics instruction.

- SRPSD Commitment to Student Achievement
The document was revamped in the summer of 2025 and shared for information.
- Professional Development (PD) for Staff
Many opportunities for staff to learn were held from August 27 to September 1 for multiple employee groups. Ready, Set, Go was held again this year.
- Teacher Innovation Fund
The Ministry has announced another round of the Teacher Innovation and Support Fund. They will be accepting submissions from August 24 to October 2, 2026. The goal of this fund is to have local, innovative initiatives brought forward to enhance classrooms in areas such as student achievement, student wellness and school safety
- Provincial Assessments 2026-27
The process and timeline for provincial assessments was shared.
- P4A Cross Country Extravaganza will be held on October 6, 2026 at Spruce Home Public School.

NOTICE OF MOTION:

J. Brown put forth the following Notice of Motion for the October 5, 2026 Board meeting:
THAT administration prepare and present for Board consideration a Safe Disclosure (Whistleblower) policy at the November 2, 2026 Regular meeting. Utilizing the Saskatchewan School Boards Association (SSBA) Safe Disclosure Policy template as the foundational model and adapting it as necessary to align with Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division governance, legislative requirements, administrative structures and reporting procedures.

KEY MESSAGES FOR SCC/PUBLIC FROM BOARD MEETING:

- Feeding our Future Program.
- Human Resources Accountability Report.
- Welcome Back to 2026-27 School Year.

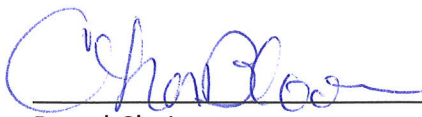
BOARD MEMBERS' FORUM:

Trustees were given an opportunity to share information on items of mutual interest.

ADJOURNMENT:

C. Bloom adjourned the meeting. (4:27 p.m.)

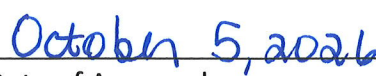
SIGNATURES:



Board Chair



Administrative Services Officer



Date of Approval