



SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Our Mission:

"Working together to engage students through meaningful learning and empower them to build the skills They need to be successful today and in the future".

Our Motto:

"Small schools make a difference".

Our Vision:

"To meet the needs of all learners while Sparking curiosity and joy in learning".

Our Values:

- "Positive, professional relationships & sense of team
- Kindness with expectations
- Learner mindset & dedication to ongoing innovation
- Belief that experience teaches, engages & connects".

Regular Board Meeting 2025/07 M I N U T E S

Monday, May 26, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

Videoconference & Teleconference

Microsoft Teams meeting
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Board Chair: Pinky McRae

Location: SGDSB Learning Centre, Videoconference & Teleconference

Director: Will Goodman

Recorder: G. Christianson

PART I: Regular Board Meeting

PART II: Committee of the Whole Board

Section (A): – (open to public): 6:30 p.m.

Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 7:46 p.m.

1.0 Roll Call

<u>Trustees</u>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)										
	OS	TC	VC	A	R		OS	TC	VC	A	R
Brunskill, Dr. Megan			x			Nesbitt, Jason	x				
Fairservice, Dan (<i>censure</i>)						Pristanski, Kal	x				
Jarvis, Allison	x					Michano, Julie	x				
Liscomb, Pat			x			Krause, Zoey (Student)	x				
McRae, Pinky	x					Anthony, Miley (Student)			x		
<i>First Nation Trustee(Vacant)</i>						Kentner, Anna (Student)	x				

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	OS	TC	VC	A	R
Goodman, William: <i>Director of Education</i>	x				
Leroux, Carole: <i>Superintendent of Education</i>	x				
Love-Jedruch, Flora: <i>Superintendent of Education</i>	x				
Marton, Alex: <i>Superintendent of Business</i>	x				
Balog, Tara: <i>Assistant Superintendent</i>			x		
Brewster, Annick: <i>Assistant Superintendent</i>	x				
Harris, Brent: <i>Manager of Financial Services</i>	x				
Muir, Gordon: <i>Manager of Plant Services/Transportation</i>	x				
Dee, Christine: <i>Team Lead – Payroll Services</i>			x		
Chouinard, Connie: <i>Team Lead – Business Services</i>	x				
Nault, Denis: <i>Manager of Human Resources</i>	x				
Lucas, Jay: <i>Coordinator of Information Technology Services</i>	x				
Kitchener, Nick: <i>Manager of Information Technology</i>			x		
Renaud, Deana: <i>Mental Health Manager</i>					x
Bartlett, Shy-Anne: <i>Manager of Indigenous Education</i>			x		
Christianson, GeriLynn: <i>Executive Assistant & Communications Coordinator</i>			x		
Zeleny, Lisa: <i>Executive Assistant</i>	x				

Land Acknowledgement

Manager of Facilities, Gord Muir, provided the land acknowledgement for the ancestral and traditional territories of the Indigenous people on whose lands we gather upon. We recognize and honour the contributions of the Indigenous peoples for they hold the knowledge, traditions, and history of the land.

National Accessibility Week

The Board Chair provided an acknowledgement of the celebration of National Accessibility Week from May 25 – May 31. She noted that at SGDSB we take accessibility to heart, not only during National Accessibility Week, but beyond. We reaffirm our shared commitment to building a more inclusive public service. Together we are creating a more accessible and inclusive future!

2.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order**78/25**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee J. Michano

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, May 26, 2025, be called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Carried**3.0 Approval of Agenda**

It was noted that there were a few clerical errors made in the agenda for the meeting location and under 8.1.3 it should read as Kal Pristanski instead of Allison Jarvis. The Executive Assistant will make these corrections for the meeting records.

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Moved by: Trustee A. Jarvis

Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

That, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2025/07 Regular Board Meeting, May 26, 2025, be accepted and approved as amended.

Carried**4.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session**

There were no disclosures of interest provided at this time.

5.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings**5.1 Board Meeting Minutes****80/25**

Moved by: Trustee A. Jarvis

Second: Trustee J. Michano

That, the minutes of the following Board Meeting be adopted as presented:

1. Regular Board Meeting 2025/06: April 28, 2025.

Carried**5.2 Board Committee Meeting Minutes****5.2.1 Committee Meeting Minutes****81/25**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

That, the minutes of the following Board Committee meetings be acknowledged as received:

1. Special Education Advisory Committee April 8, 2025
2. Indigenous Education Advisory Committee April 22, 2025

Carried**6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

Nil.

7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations**7.1 Showcasing Learning: Indigenous Education - Meaningful Community Connections**

Director Will Goodman provided an introduction to the video that was prepared by Indigenous Education Manager Shy-Anne Bartlett. The video highlighted the number of learning and cultural

activities that have been made possible through meaningful community connections across the school district.

7.2 Excellence in Education: Beardmore Public School - Meaningful Community Connections And Partnerships

Vice-Principal Ania Laffrenier prepared a video presentation that was shared highlighting the strong community connections that are central to the school culture at Beardmore Public School. The video showcased a variety of activities that support student well-being and engagement, including Monday morning smudges, bake sales, and the sharing of traditions and celebrations. Initiatives such as the cooking club, family nights, cultural learning experiences, and Family Literacy Night, all reflect the school's focus on fostering a healthy body and healthy mind. These events, along with fun school spirit days, demonstrate the school's commitment to creating an inclusive and supportive environment for students and families.

7.3 Report No. 38: Student Trustee Report: May 2025

Student Trustees Zoey Krause and Miley Anthony provided a presentation of their report. They discussed the progress on planning the student leadership day conference, the activities of the student senate and the election of new student Trustee Rylee McLeod.

The Board Chair and Director presented Student Trustee Zoey Krause with a service recognition award at the second final meeting of her two-year term. The board expressed their gratitude for her dedication and hard work.

7.4 Report No. 39: Indigenous Student Trustee Report: May 2025

Student Trustee Anna Kentner provided a presentation of her written report which highlighted the efforts to fill the upcoming vacancy of the Indigenous Student Trustee position. She was presented with a service recognition plaque to thank her for her dedication and service as the first Indigenous Student Trustee with the school board. The board expressed gratitude for her passion and leadership.

8.0 Reports and Matters for Decision

8.1 Board Committee Reports: (Statutory / Standing / Ad Hoc)

8.1.1 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report

Superintendent of Education Flora Love-Jedruch provided a review of the May 6, 2025 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting. The agenda included a review of the Special Education Plan, presentation from the Positive Behaviour Supports team, discussions regarding Child and Youth Worker initiatives and the upcoming changes to the Jordan's Principal funding. The next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2025.

8.1.2 Parent Engagement Committee (PEC) Report: Feast and Feedback Sessions

Assistant Superintendent Annick Brewster provided a brief report on the Feast and Feedback sessions held across the district from May 5 to May 23, 2025. These sessions created space for families to share their feedback and engage in meaningful conversations with school staff. A total of 95 participants took part across the region. To support participation and address barriers such as transportation, some schools offered transportation assistance. Guided by a series of questions aligned with the Multi-Year Strategic Plan, discussions focused on themes such as student engagement through hands-on, project-based learning, improved communication, stronger community connections, environmental initiatives, and more welcoming, student-led conferences. The feedback collected will be analyzed to help inform and guide future parent engagement strategies.

8.1.3 Indigenous Education Advisory Committee (IEAC) Report

Trustee Kal Pristanski provided a report on the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee (IEAC) meeting held on May 20, 2025. The next IEAC meeting is scheduled

for November 4, 2025. It was noted that the meeting was engaging and informative, with members impressed by the level of reporting, particularly around the upcoming summer learning programs and written updates. A key highlight was the opportunity to visit communities and be welcomed into their spaces, where pride was evident in the sharing of cultural knowledge, new infrastructure—including five new homes in Animbiigoo Zaagi igan Anishinaabek (AZA)—and the use of ceremony grounds for cultural learning.

9.0 Reports of the Business / Negotiations Committee

Superintendent of Business: Alex Marton

9.1 Report No. 40: Enrollment Summary as of March 31, 2025

Superintendent of Business Alex Marton provided a detailed review of the Enrollment Summary report as of March 31, 2025. He advised that there is a slight increase in enrollment from the projected figures.

9.2 Report No. 41: Interim Financial Report No. 02

Manager of Financial Services Brent Harris provided a review of the report. At this time, the school board is projecting approximately \$100,000 in surplus. He discussed the budget impacts of Bill 124 and Jordan's Principal funding and provided a review of the provided chart.

9.3 Report No. 42: Central Department Onboarding Plans

Superintendent of Business presented a report outlining the development and implementation of central department onboarding plans, directly aligned with the Year 1 goals of the Multi-Year Strategic Plan and the commitment to promoting a healthy and inclusive workplace. Following a comprehensive needs assessment in the fall, each department has created a tailored onboarding plan, now finalized, to support a standardized and supportive experience for new staff during their first 30 days. These plans include clear processes for setting up accounts, assigning permissions, scheduling check-ins, and ensuring a smooth transition. The onboarding materials will be published on the Exchange, reviewed annually, and are part of a broader effort to strengthen risk management, reduce disruption, and reinforce the board's positive workplace culture. This initiative lays the groundwork for future expansion to schools, with the goal of positively impacting students by supporting staff from the outset.

9.4 Report No. 43: 2025-2026 SEIU Staffing Report

Manager of Facilities Gord Muir provided a review of the report and how the staffing needs are determined. He advised that staffing changes reflect the evaluation of school needs.

82/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Michano

Second: Trustee M. Brunskill

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having Received Report No. 43, approves the SEIU Staffing for 2025-2026 as presented.

Carried

9.5 Report No. 44: OSSTF-ESS Staffing for 2025-2026

Superintendent of Business Alex Marton and Assistant Superintendent of Education Annick Brewster provided a review of the staffing report. They discussed the staffing needs of the 2025-2026 school year. They advised that the report does not include the Jordan's Principal applications for support staff that are applied for on an individual basis by the First Nations Communities or families and funds provided by the federal government. They discussed the changes that have been made by the federal government to the Jordan's Principal funding and discussed the potential impacts of this on operations and the work the school board has been doing to meet with each First Nations community to mitigate the potential impacts.

83/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee K. Pristanski

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having Received Report No. 44, approves the OSSTF-ESS Staffing for 2025-2026 as presented.

Carried

10.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Director of Education: William Goodman

10.1 Report No. 45: Director's Monthly Report: May 2025

The Director of Education presented the Monthly Report, which highlighted the strong relationships being built with communities and families across the system. The report included numerous examples from schools and system leaders that demonstrate ongoing efforts to foster connection, engagement, and collaboration in support of student success and well-being.

10.2 2025 – 2027 Student Trustee Appointment

84/25

Moved by: Trustee K. Pristanski

Second: Trustee M. Brunskill

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB accept the Appointment of Rylee McLeod from Lake Superior High School to serve as the 2025-2027 Student Trustee, effective for the period August 1, 2025, to July 31, 2027.*

Carried

11.0 Reports of the Education Committee

Superintendent of Education: Carole Leroux

Superintendent of Education: Flora Love-Jedruch

Assistant Superintendent: Tara Balog

Assistant Superintendent: Annick Brewster

Nil.

12.0 New Business

Board Chair: Pinky McRae

12.1 Board Chair

12.1.1 Proposed Reschedule of June 30, 2025 Regular Board Meeting to June 23, 2025

85/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB reschedule the Regular Board meeting on Monday, June 30, 2025, to be scheduled on Monday, June 23, 2025.

Carried

12.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

12.2.1 Report No. 46: OPSBA Education Labour Relations & HR Symposium Report

Trustee Nesbitt provided a review of his written report regarding his attendance at the OPSBA Education Labour Relations and HR Symposium.

Board Chair Pinky McRae and Trustee Nesbitt will be in attendance at the OPSBA AGM where the Trustee McRae will submit her candidacy for the first vice-president position of OPSBA.

12.3 Trustee Activities

Trustee Jarvis discussed her participation in the student scholarship application review group. Trustees reflected on their completion of the OESC modules Webinar series and the school boards good governance practices.

12.4 Ministry Updates for Trustees

The Senior Leadership Team shared information regarding recent Ministry of Education updates. The group discussed the various areas where additional advocacy is recommended.

12.5 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

The Board Chair requested Trustees to volunteer to complete the Land Acknowledgement for the June 23, 2025 Board meeting. She also issued a reminder that the June 3, 2025 Board Policy Review Committee meeting is canceled, as the workplan for this school year has been completed.

13.0 Notice of Motion

Nil.

14.0 Observer Comments

Nil.

PART II: Committee of the Whole Board

Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 7:46 p.m.

15.0 Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Closed)

15.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board – Closed

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Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee J. Michano

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 7:46 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

15.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

87/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Michano

Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 7:53 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

16.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Section B

16.1 88/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee J. Michano

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Committee of the Whole, In-Camera Section B (Closed) Reports be adopted, including the confidential minutes from the meeting held as:

1. Regular Board Meeting 2025/06: April 28, 2025.

Carried

16.2 Other Recommendations from Committee of the Whole Closed Session

Nil.

17.0 Adjournment

89/25

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee J. Michano

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2025/07 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, May 26, 2025 adjourn at 7:54, p.m.

Carried

2025 - Board Meetings

Board Office or Designated Site indicated in schedule. Time 6:30 p.m.

Monday, June 30, 2025	Monday, July 14, 2025	Monday, August 25, 2025
Monday, September 22, 2025 *Designate Site: B.A. Parker Public School	Monday, October 20, 2025	Monday, November 17, 20245 (1:00 p.m.) *Designate Site: Board Office
Monday, December 1, 2025		

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Regular Board Meeting 2025/07

Committee of the Whole Board: Closed Session.

Monday, May 26, 2025

SGDSB Learning Centre, Red Rock, Ontario

MINUTES

Board Chair: *Pinky McRae*

Director: *William Goodman*

Location: *Videoconference & Teleconference*

Recorder: *G. Christianson*

PART II: Committee of Whole Board – Closed

Section (B): *In-Camera 7:46 p.m.*

- 1.0 Disclosure of Interest: re Closed Session
- 2.0 Approve Agenda: Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed)
In-Camera (closed) Meeting Minutes
- 3.0 1. Regular Board Meeting 2025/06: April 28, 2025
- 4.0 Personnel Item:

Regular Board Meeting 2025-07

Monday, May 26, 2025

MINUTES

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025

SECRETARY

CHAIR