

SCHOOL DISTRICT #81 (FORT NELSON)
FORT NELSON SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Open Meeting
6:00 pm

Wednesday
November 12, 2025

In Attendance:

L. Dolen, Chair
B. Dolan, Vice-Chair
Y. Taylor, Trustee
K. Dickie, Trustee
F. Peach, Trustee (Signed in via Zoom at 6:36 pm.)
M. Theobald, Superintendent
D. Osmond, Secretary-Treasurer
P. Anderson, Recording Secretary

Guests: K. Trainor, FNDTA Liaison, S. Jensen

Call to order

Chair Dolen called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Acceptance of Agenda

Chair Dolen called for any additions or changes to the agenda. One item was added to Personnel – Action:

- Passing of Daphne Minette, former employee at SD 81

R25-070 That the Board of Education and Child Care accept the agenda as amended.
CARRIED B. Dolan/K. Dickie

Acceptance of Minutes

Chair Dolen called for any omissions or errors in the Open Minutes of October 22. As none were noted, Chair Dolen accepted the minutes as presented.

R25-071 FNFN LEA Approval B. Dolan/Y. Taylor
Trustee Dickie left the meeting due to conflict.
Superintendent Theobald has still not received the official language for section 13.8, leaving the LEA incomplete.
That the Board of Education and Child Care Table the LEA Approval until the December 3rd meeting.
CARRIED

R25-072 Fundraising Plans K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the Toad River School PAC Fundraising Plan for \$1,200.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds.
CARRIED

R25-073	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the JS Clark Elementary School PAC Fundraising Plan for \$5,050.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	Y. Taylor/B. Dolan
R25-074	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the JS Clark Elementary School Fundraising Plan for \$1,050.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R25-075	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the GW Carlson Elementary School PAC Fundraising plan for \$8,600.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	B. Dolan/Y. Taylor
R25-076	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the GW Carlson Elementary School Fundraising Plan for \$150.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	K. Dickie/B. Dolan
R25-077	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the RL Angus Elementary School PAC Fundraising Plan for \$3,800.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	K. Dickie/B. Dolan
R25-078	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the RL Angus Elementary School Fundraising Plan for \$4,150.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie
R25-079	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the RL Angus Seed and Plant Sale Fundraising Plan for \$200.00 and authorize the school to solicit funds. CARRIED	B. Dolan/K. Dickie
R25-080	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the Fort Nelson Secondary School Fundraising Plans for \$53,450.00, with the exception of the \$9,000.00 Graduation Fundraising Plan, pending clarification. CARRIED Framework for Enhancing Student Reports for JS Clark Elementary School and RL Angus Elementary School.	B. Dolan/Y. Taylor
R25-081	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the JS Clark Elementary School Framework for Enhancing Student Learning Report. CARRIED	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie

R25-082	That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the RL Angus Elementary School Framework for Enhancing Student Learning Report. CARRIED	B. Dolan/K. Dickie
R25-083	Board Authority Authorized Course That the Board of Education and Child Care approve the Care Economy Sampler 11 Board Authority Authorized (BAA) Course. CARRIED	B. Dolan/Y. Taylor
R25-084	Draft Policy 3540 – Responding to Unexpected Health Emergencies That the Board of Education and Child Care approve Policy 3540 – Responding to Unexpected Health Emergencies for 30 days’ Circulation. CARRIED	B. Dolan/K. Dickie
R25-085	D. Minette – Former SD #81 Employee That the Board of Education and Child Care provide an update on our Facebook page, Web page and in the Northern Pulse Newsletter, to commemorate her tenure in the district. CARRIED	K. Dickie/Y. Taylor
R25-086	Education – Information Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Superintendent’s Report • Principals’ Reports That the Board of Education and Child Care file the Education – Information items as received. CARRIED	B. Dolan/K. Dickie
R25-087	Staff Amendments/Evaluations That the Board of Education and Child Care file the Staff Amendments/Evaluations as received. CARRIED	Y. Taylor/K. Dickie
R25-088	Budget Update That the Board of Education and Child Care file the Budget Update as received. CARRIED	B. Dolan/Y. Taylor

Trustee Reports/Inquiries/Celebrations

- Trustee Dolan enjoyed reading JSC and RLA FESLs. They are realistic and reader-friendly. It is clear that much effort has gone into their development, and all staff members involved are to be commended.
He attended the FNSS PAC meeting. Parents and students are pleased to have the cafeteria operational again.
He was very interested in Mrs. Andersen’s innovative gardening/seeds project for her grade 7s and is looking forward to seeing how it turns out.

He is pleased with the BAA Course proposal.
He appreciated reading the good news reports on Facebook.
The “Northern Return of Service” pilot project – This is very encouraging and has good potential to bring people to the district in future years.

- Superintendent Theobald informed the Board that, as part of the Ministry’s recruitment and retention initiatives, new teachers must commit to three years in our district to receive a bursary. In addition, the Northern Practicum Bursary offers up to \$8,000. These are two separate programs designed to support staffing in northern districts.
- Trustee Taylor will be attending the Trustee Academy in Vancouver, November 27-29.
She attended the VP interview
She attended the JSC PAC meeting and is happy to report that three new students have enrolled.
She had an inquiry as to why no drinks were supplied at the cafeteria at FNSS.
She attended the Pro-D meeting, where they discussed protocol. Suggestions have been forwarded to fine-tune the protocol.
- Secretary-Treasurer Osmond will be attending the BCASBO and the Trustee Academy in Vancouver from November 24-30.
- FNDDA Liaison Trainor passed on regrets from FNDDA President Gough as he was unable to attend tonight’s meeting.
- S. Jensen wanted to attend to observe the information surrounding graduation fundraising.

Adjournment

Chair Dolen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Linda Dolen
Chair

Darlene Osmond
Secretary-Treasurer