

# MINUTES

## COSL Directors Meeting #3

Friday, January 25 and Saturday, January 26, 2019  
McMaster House, Arnett Auditorium

**Chairperson:** Myles Blahut  
Meeting Chair: Myles Blahut

### Summary

- I. **Called to Order and Acknowledgment**  
Myles Blahut called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.
- II. **TIMED ITEM – SAGE Report 7:15p.m.**  
Lia Gervino, MTS Staff presented on the report.
- III. **Adoption of the Agenda**  
**MOTION**  
**Sheri Haney / Jude Guzzi:** that the agenda be adopted as presented. **Carried**
- IV. **Adoption of the Minutes of the COSL Directors Meeting**  
**MOTION**  
**Michelle Sacco/ Brenda Sikora:** that the December 16 & 17, 2018 minutes be adopted as presented. **Carried**
- V. **MTS Liaison Roland Stankevicius, Acting General Secretary**  
Roland addressed the Directors. He spoke of the K-12 Educational Review being conducted by Manitoba Education and Training and these uncertain times for The Manitoba Teachers' Society.
- VI. **Article Study**  
Directors broke into separate groups to discuss assigned article and reported back to Directors.

**TIMED ITEM – MTS Liaison, James Bedford 9:00 a.m.**

James Bedford, MTS Vice-President, brought greetings to COSL Directors'. He spoke of the school tours that Myles and he are conducting across the Province. He and Myles hope to visit 100 schools. They recently visited Thompson schools. James spoke to the recent education funding announcement and the k-12 Education Review. He encourages Directors to provide their input. Everyone should be involved and proactive, it's important to share your stories. More information available on the MTS website.

**Danielle Fullan Kolton, MTS Staff**

Danielle addressed the Directors. Danielle answered questions of the Directors from the previous evening.

Danielle spoke to the upcoming Women in Education Leadership Symposium on March 8 & 9, 2019 at McMaster House – please register. Poster handout provided. Danielle spoke on the work of the WELCOM Ad hoc Committee.

**VII. EFM Greetings, Valérie Rémillard**

Valérie brought greetings to the Directors. Thanked them for all their hard work and reiterated how important it is. EFM is here to support COSL.

**VIII. Mandate Area Group Work**

Mandate Area groups met and reported back to Directors.

**IX. Leadership Team and Mandate Area Reports**

1. Chairperson's Report (Myles Blahut)

Report received as written.

2. Finance (Myles Blahut)

Report received as written.

3. Communications (Rob Fisher)

Report received as written. Student Achievement Award sponsored by CAP – information is on the website.

4. Professional Supports (Sheri Haney)

Report received as written. Myles spoke to report in Sheri's absence.

5. Education Leadership (Angela Voutier & Lisa Calvez)

Report received as written.

6. Governance (Chad Cobbe)

Report received as written. Donna Johnston spoke to the report in Chad's absence.

**MOTION**

**Chris Hicks/ Donna Johnston:** that the Leadership Team and Mandate Area Reports be accepted as written and presented.

**Carried.**

X. **Around the Province Reports**

1. **Brandon** – Sandy Harrison

Report received as written.

2. **DSFM** – Rémi Lemoine

Report received as written.

3. **Interlake**

Evergreen – Brad Harding

Report received as written.

Lord Selkirk – Terry Skarban

Report received as written. Lord Selkirk has established a committee to look at safety procedures.

Sunrise – Lonnie Liske

Report received as written.

Lakeshore – Alison Marttila

Report received as written.

Interlake – Jason Cassils

No report.

4. **Louis Riel** – Susan Ciastko & Joanne DeCruyenaere

Report received as written.

5. **Midwest**

Park West – Brenda Sikora

Report received as written.

Rolling River – Chad Stiles

No report.

6. **North West** – Dale Anderson

Report received as written.

7. **Northern East** – Donna Johnston & Jacki Ludgate

Report received as written.

8. **Northern West** – Kelly Wadelius

Report received as written.

9. **Pembina Trails** – Ruthanne Dyck & Tanis Thiessen

Report received as written.

10. **River East Transcona** – Lorilee Woelcke & Pam Alexander

Report received as written.

11. **Seven Oaks** – Manny Calisto & Fatumah Mbabaali

Report received as written.

12. **South Central**

Portage – Tracy Vanstone

Report received as written.

Prairie Rose – Cecile Affleck

Report received as written.

13. **South East**

Border Land and Red River Valley – Chris Hicks & Scott Thomson

Report received as written.

Hanover and Seine River – Jayson Abraham & Sherry Bestvater

Report received as written.

14. **South West** – Stephanie Emberly

No report.

15. **St. James-Assiniboia** – Rex Ferguson-Baird

Report received as written.

16. **Winnipeg** – Michelle Sacco, Jude Guzzi, & Manuel Silva

Report received as written.

Change: RB Russell advertised a position both internally and externally.

17. **AMD** – Susanne Saiko-Gamble

Verbal report. Working with affiliated associations. Sent out survey to members, asking them what their needs are.

## **MOTION**

**Tracy Vanstone / Chris Hicks** : that the Around the Province Reports be accepted as written and presented.

**Carried**

## **XI. Reports by COSL Representatives to Outside Bodies**

1. **Canadian Association of Principals** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

2. **Certificate in School Leadership Review Committee** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

3. **Community Schools Program Committee** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

4. **EAL Advisory Committee** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

5. **French Teacher Recruitment Committee** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

6. **Inter-organizational Curriculum Advisory Committee** - Myles Blahut

No report. Have not met for 3 or 4 years.

7. **Make Poverty History Consultation** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

8. **Manitoba Education for Sustainable Development** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

9. **Manitoba Education for Sustainable Development Working Group** - Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

10. **Manitoba High School Athletic Association** – JF Godbout

No report.

11. **Provincial Evaluations Committee**- Myles Blahut

Report received as written.

12. **Student Achievement Provincial Advisory Committee** - Myles Blahut

No report.

**13. Student Services/Inclusive Education Consultation Committee - Myles Blahut**

Report received as written. Myles to send Directors the article from the Globe and Mail "Educating Grayson".

**XII. Other Committees**

**1. Workplace Safety and Health Standing Committee - Myles Blahut**

Report received as written.

**2. MTS/MASS Conference Planning Committee - Myles Blahut**

Verbal report. Student Forum at the Museum during the COSL Conference on Feb 14 & 15, 2019, very important to support this session.

**Myles and Sheri Terms are up.**

**MOTION**

**Donna Johnston / Jayson Abraham:** that the Outside Body and Other Committee Reports be accepted as written and presented.

**Carried.**

**XIII. New Business**

**1. Hot Stove Items**

COSL Directors had a discussion on the following Hot Stove Items:

- Election of Leadership Team Members  
Please feel free to speak with Roland Stankevicius if you have any questions regarding the elections.
- Refugee Families
- Vapping/Shatter
- Threats
- Government Directions
- Day In The Life  
Email blast will go out asking for Principals and Vice Principals "day in the life" stories. Tag COSL in your tweets.
- Distinguished Principal Award

**XIV. Around the Table**

Directors had the opportunity to share.

**XV. COSL Directors' Meeting Dates:**

- **Winter Conference** February 14 & 15, 2019 Fort Garry Hotel
- March 15 & 16, 2019, Holiday Inn Airport West
- CAP 2019 April 30, May 1-3 Whitehorse, Yukon
- AGM May 10, 11 2019, McMaster House
- CAP 2020 May 5-8 Winnipeg

- XVI. **Adjournment**  
Chris Hicks moved to adjourn.  
The meeting adjourned at 2:17p.m.