

**MINUTE BOOK****Board Meeting**

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Edmonton School Division of Alberta held in the Centre for Education McCauley Chambers on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at 2 p.m.

**Present:****Trustees**

Dawn Hancock  
Julie Kusiek

Marsha Nelson  
Sherri O'Keefe

Jan Sawyer  
Saadiq Sumar

**Officials**

Angela Anderson  
Todd Burnstad  
Andrea Cooper

Kathy Muhlethaler  
Nancy Petersen  
Kent Pharis

Carrie Rosa  
Ron Thompson  
Liz Yule

**Board Chair:** Julie Kusiek

**Recording Secretary:** Catherine Angeles

**A. Land Acknowledgement**

The Board Chair noted that the waiver of notice of meeting was unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees.

The Board Chair called the meeting to order and called upon Vice-Chair Sawyer to provide a land acknowledgement.

Vice-Chair Sawyer said that we are gathered today on Treaty 6 Territory and the homeland of the Métis. For generations, this land has been a place of teaching, learning, and gathering for Indigenous Peoples, and we are grateful to walk alongside them in continuing that tradition. Today is a hopeful and exciting moment for our Division, as we look forward to welcoming a new Superintendent. As we take this important step together, we carry with us the spirit of this land—a spirit of resilience, of community, and of hope for the future. May our decision reflect these values as we continue enhancing pathways for student success.

**B. Roll Call: 2:01 p.m.**

Assistant Superintendent Muhlethaler advised that all Trustees were present.

**MINUTE BOOK****C. Approval of the Agenda****MOVED BY Trustee O'Keefe:**

**"That the agenda for the July 30, 2025, Special Board meeting be approved as presented."  
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

**D. Reports****1. Motion to Appoint Superintendent of Schools****MOVED BY Board Chair Kusiek:**

**"That the appointment of Mr. Ron Thompson as Superintendent of Schools for a three-year period effective September 1, 2025, be approved."  
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

**E. Adjournment: 2:13 p.m.****The Board Chair adjourned the meeting.**

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Julie Kusiek, Board Chair

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Kathy Muhlethaler, Assistant Superintendent  
Instructional and Strategic Division Supports