Pursuant to Statute and Declaration by the Board, the Inaugural Meeting of The River East Transcona School Division was duly called and held on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the Allen Rouse Room, 589 Roch Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:	S. Bywater	P. Kotyk
	C. Carswell	M. Kowalchuk
	L. Fritzsche	S. Olynik
	B. Goertzen	I. Tokurah
	S. Hanson	

ALSO PRESENT:
S. Herbst, Superintendent/CEO
E. Downey, Secretary-Treasurer
K. Boyd, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Programming
C. Colorado, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
R. Francis, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services and Planning
J. Olafson, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
K. Jarmuske, Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer E. Downey called the meeting to order and, in accordance with Section 29(2) of the Public Schools Act, took the chair to preside at the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board for the 2026/2027 term, and declared the meeting officially open.

Treaty Acknowledgment

River East Transcona School Division is located on the original lands of the Anishinaabeg, Ininiwak, Anishininiwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and on the homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize our part of the Treaty relationship and, as acknowledgement of the harms done, we commit to collaborating with Indigenous communities in the shared spirit of Truth and Reconciliation for the healing and inclusion of all who share this Land.

In accordance with Section 53(5) of the Public Schools Act, the Secretary-Treasurer reported to the Board regarding Occupations of Trust. E. Downey reported that an occupation of trust exists.

The voting procedures were reviewed and agreed upon.

Scrutineers

Assistant Superintendent Boyd and Assistant Superintendent Olafson were appointed as Scrutineers for the ballot counts.

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ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR THE 2026/2027 TERM

Nominations were then declared open for **BOARD CHAIR**.

Trustee Hanson nominated Trustee Goertzen.

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Carswell.

Following the third call for further nominations, it was declared that nominations close.

Ballots we distributed.

The Secretary-Treasurer received the report of the Scrutineers and read out the vote totals by Trustee declared that TRUSTEE Goertzen was elected as BOARD CHAIR for the 2026/2027 term.

Nominations were then declared open for **BOARD VICE-CHAIR**.

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Carswell.

Trustee Carswell declined to let her name stand.

Trustee Carswell nominated Trustee Olynik.

Following the third call for further nominations, it was declared that nominations close.

TRUSTEE Olynik was acclaimed as VICE-CHAIR for the 2026/2027 term.

Secretary-Treasurer, E. Downey turned the Chair over to Trustee Goertzen for the balance of the meeting.

BOARD CHAIR B. GOERTZEN IN THE CHAIR:

SETTING OF TIME FOR BOARD MEETINGS

247/26 MOVED by Trustee Kotyk, (S) Trustee Hanson THAT the Board meetings be scheduled for the first and third Tuesday of every month, commencing at 6:30 p.m.

Unanimous

DRAFT

ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS FOR THE 2026/2027 TERM

Finance, Facilities, Transportation and Technology:

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Carswell.

Trustee Carswell declined to let her name stand.

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Hanson

Following the third call for further nominations, it was declared that nominations close.

TRUSTEE Hanson was acclaimed as CHAIR OF THE FINANCE, FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE for the 2026/2027 term.

Program, Policy Review and Personnel:

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Carswell.

Trustee Carswell declined to let her name stand.

Trustee Olynik nominated Trustee Kowalchuk.

Following the third call for further nominations, it was declared that nominations close.

TRUSTEE Kowalchuk was acclaimed as CHAIR OF THE PROGAM, POLICY REVIEW AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE for the 2026/2027 term.

Negotiations:

Trustee Hanson nominated Trustee Carswell

Following the third call for further nominations, it was declared that nominations close.

TRUSTEE Carswell was acclaimed as CHAIR OF THE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE for the 2026/2027 term.

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ELECTION OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THE 2026/2027 TERM

Finance, Facilities, Transportation and Technology:

248/26 MOVED by Trustee Kowalchuk, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT the Finance, Facilities, Transportation and Technology Standing Committee members for the 2026/2027 term be Trustees Hanson (Chair), Bywater and Kotyk.

Unanimous

Program, Policy Review and Personnel:

249/26 MOVED by Trustee Hanson, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT the Program, Policy Review and Personnel Standing Committee members for the 2026/2027 term be Trustees Kowalchuk (Chair), Fritzsche and Tokurah.

Unanimous

Negotiations Committee

250/26 MOVED by Trustee Olynik, (S) Trustee Bywater THAT the Negotiations Standing Committee members for the 2026/2027 term be Trustees Carswell (Chair), Hanson and Kowalchuk.

Unanimous

SETTING OF TIME FOR STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE 2026/2027 TERM

251/26 MOVED by Trustee Bywater, (S) Trustee Hanson THAT the setting of meeting dates and times for the following committees be referred to the first meeting of each committee;

a) Finance, Facilities, Transportation and Technology Committee;

b) Program, Policy Review and Personnel Committee;

AND FURTHER THAT meetings of the Negotiations Committee be called by the chair of that committee as necessary.

Unanimous

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SELECTION OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Budget Review:

252/26 MOVED by Trustee Kowalchuk, (S) Trustee Bywater THAT the Budget Review Committee be comprised of the Finance, Facilities, Transportation and Technology Committee sitting as a Committee of the Whole.

Unanimous

Personal Professional Development Fund:

253/26 MOVED by Trustee Carswell, (S) Trustee Olynik THAT Trustees Hanson and Bywater be appointed to the Personal Professional Development Fund Committee.

Unanimous

Destruction of Ballots:

254/26 MOVED by Trustee Olynik, (S) Trustee Tokurah THAT the ballots be destroyed.

Unanimous

Motion of Adjournment

255/26 MOVED by Trustee Olynik, (S) Trustee Hanson THAT we do now adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

Unanimous

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Board Chair (B. Goertzen)

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Secretary-Treasurer/CFO (E. Downey)

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