October 18-20, 2023



Meeting Highlights ~ Board of Trustees

Trustees Ballantyne, Pearson, Calvert, Friesen, Imrie, Muswagon, Sanderson, Throop

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT RETIREMENT

The Board discussed receipt of the retirement notice received from the Chief Superintendent. Over the course of the next few months they will deliberate and determine how best to move forward in the search to find a new Chief Superintendent.

STRATEGIC PLAN DIALOGUE

The Board met with senior leadership on October 19-20, 2023 in Winnipeg with discussion arising on the Division's Strategic Plan three focus areas (Academics, Wellness, Indigenous Way of Life), policies, and recruitment and retention of staff.

BOARD COMMITTEES and APPOINTMENTS

As a follow-up from the September 2023 Board meeting, Trustee Muswagon confirmed his name to stand for the Awards Panel Committee, and the Special Leave Sub-Committee. In addition, Trustee Imrie was named as the Finance Committee representative on the Divisional Support Staff Liaison Committee.

SCHOOL TRIPS RATIFIED and APPROVED

The Board ratified higher care trips from the following schools: Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (8), Brochet School, Berens River School, and Cranberry Portage Elementary. The Board approved higher care trip requests for the following schools: San Antonio, Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (3), Jack River School, and Grand Rapids School.

CONSTITUTION and TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Board approved refinements to the draft Norway House School Authority Constitution and Terms of Reference.

POLICIES

The Board approved refinement to Policy E.1.O – Personnel Files. The policy will be available on the Division's Policy Manual on the website.

DISCUSSION and DIRECTION

- Reports were provided by the Finance Committee including note that Trustee Imrie was selected as Chairperson of this committee.
 Committee reports from the F.S.D./F.T.A. Liaison Committee and the N.O.F.I Board of Directors meetings was tabled to their October meeting.
- Discussion and direction arose on the invitation to meet with the Manitoba School Boards Association and the Deputy Minister of Education.
- · Discussion and direction arose on response to a concerned community member from Crane River.
- Information was shared on The Learning Bar's Education Prosperity program, and two Teachers' Idea Fund applications and initiatives in Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre, and the Indigenous Way of Life department.
- Planning was reviewed for the November 1, 2023 Professional Development for all Employees.
- Information was shared by administration to assist the Board in planning the April 2024 Annual School Committee Conference, with further discussions taking place at upcoming Board meetings.

The next meeting of the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees takes place in Winnipeg on Tuesday, November 14 and Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

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