May 15, 2024



# Meeting Highlights ~ Board of Trustees

Trustees Ballantyne, Pearson, Imrie, Montgomery, Mosiondz, Muswagon, Throop

## FOREST FIRE UPDATE / BOARD TRAVEL PLANS ADJUSTED

Administration provided an update on the forest fire situation affecting the Divisional communities/schools of Cranberry Portage and Sherridon including displacement of students and staff, safety and security of facilities, and associated plans. The Board shared their appreciation of everyone involved in support of students, staff, and communities. In addition, the postponement of the Board's initial plan to travel and visit identified Area 1 schools was discussed, with the possibility of revisiting this trip in the Fall.

## PRIDE ACTIVITIES

The Board applauded the efforts in place to support 2SLGBTQIA+ identities and the encouragement of all to join in Pride celebrations and activities taking place throughout the Province. They echoed a statement made at the Board table: "We are inclusive, and we respect all".

# STRATEGIC PLAN DIALOGUE

Refinements to the Division's Strategic Plan three focus areas will be discussed and approved at the June 2024 Board meeting.

## AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION - EMPLOYEES

The Board is pleased to announce three recipients of the 2024 award: Marietta Anterola, Ernestine Huhtala and Hector Riquelme. Special announcements will be circulated across the Division and posted to the website and social feeds.

#### **FIVE YEAR CAPITAL PLAN**

The Board approved the Division's Five Year Capital Plan. In their commitment of support for high-need school facilities, the Board directed administration to set up meetings with the Board's Lobbying Committee and government representatives to move forward facility improvements for schools, including new school buildings.

## RETIREMENT PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE FRONTIER SCHOOL DIVISION

The Board approved recommendations from their Employee Pension Committee including the transfer of administration of payroll services to Ellement; forwarding of the estimated Extrapolation of the Financial Position as at December 31, 2023 to the Deloitte, and the Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures including the change to Private Debt Benchmark.

# **HIGHER CARE TRIPS**

The Board ratified higher care school trips for Frontier Collegiate (2), Wanipigow, Duke of Marlborough and Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre. The Board approved a large number of higher care school trips for: D.R. Hamilton, Gillam, Thunderbird (2), Barrows Junction (2), Stevenson Island, Falcon Beach (2), Black River Anishinabe, Cold Lake (2), Cormorant Lake, Cranberry Portage Elementary, Frontier Collegiate (4), Frontier Mosakahiken (3), Berens River (2), Mel Johnson.

#### **REPORTS and DISCUSSION**

- Committee reports were provided by the Support Staff Liaison Committee, the Employee Pension Committee, and the F.S.D./ F.T.A Liaison Committee.
- A report was provided on the March 2024 Manitoba School Boards Association Convention.
- Discussion continued on the presentations received at the April 2024 meeting (Stantec, Norway House Cree Nation), with further discussion continuing at upcoming Board meetings.
- Discussion took place on the 44th Annual School Committee Conference.
- Administration shared plans for the June 2024 Board meeting.

The next meeting of the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees takes place in the Winnipeg office on Thursday, June 13 and Friday, June 14, 2024.

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