



December 12-13, 2024

FRONTIER
SCHOOL DIVISION
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Meeting Highlights ~ Board of Trustees

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

STRATEGIC PLAN DIALOGUE

The Board continued discussions that arose from their meeting with senior administration in October as well as the November 1, 2024 Professional Development activity for all staff focusing on School Planning. The Board participated in a virtual Leadership Reflection activity with School Principals and The Learning Bar.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Based upon the recommendation of the Board's Finance Committee, the Board approved appointing the auditing firm of Deloitte as Division Auditor for 2024-25. As outlined in *The Public Schools Act*, the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Learning will be notified of this appointment.

POLICIES

A number of policies were approved for implementation:

- C.2.O – Use of Social Media (new),
- E.1.C – PENT Indigenous Teacher Education Program,
- E.1.N.1 – Smoking on School Division Property – Employees and User Groups,
- E.3.F – Court Leave – Support Staff.

A number of policies were approved for feedback circulation:

- C.2.P – Service Animals in Schools and Division Facilities (new),
- E.5.F – Respectful Workplaces: Violence Prevention,
- G.1.L – Administration of Prescribed Medication to Students,
- F.3.C – Graduation Requirements for a Frontier School Division Diploma.

Approved policies are available in the Policy Manual section of the Division's website. Draft policy documents will be circulated via email.

ISOLATION ALLOWANCE – TEACHER COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT

The Finance Committee of the Board were provided a report on review of Isolation Allowance as outlined in the Teacher Collective Agreement Article 1.14. As a result of the review the Board approved senior administration to determine a cost-effective plan for Isolation Allowance for Teachers. The Board will continue discussion on this topic at future Board meetings.

ANNUAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE CONFERENCE 2025

Discussion continues on planning for the April 2025 annual conference. Updates on planning will continue in the new year.

SCHOOL TRIPS RATIFIED and APPROVED

A number of higher care school trips were approved: Frontier Collegiate (five trips), Peonan Point (two trips), and Duke of Marlborough (two trips). A number of higher care school trips were ratified for D.R. Hamilton, Falcon Beach, Frontier Collegiate, Gillam, Matheson Island, Mel Johnson, Minegoziibe Anishinabe, and Stevenson Island.

DISCUSSION and DIRECTION

- Reports were provided by Board committees: Finance, Policy Review, F.S.D./F.T.A. Liaison, and the N.O.F.I Board of Directors. With support received from the Assiniboine Park Conservancy, N.O.F.I. Directors will be developing criteria for a new scholarship for Duke of Marlborough School students.
- The Manitoba School Boards Association 2025 annual convention was discussed with direction to administration on submission of a nomination for student performance, donation for the MSBA charity, and workshop proposals for the Canadian School Boards Association AGM and National Trustee Gathering to be held in Winnipeg in July 2025.
- A report was provided by the Area 4 Superintendent on successes and challenges in Area 4 schools.

The next meeting of the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees takes place in the Winnipeg office on Wednesday, January 22 and Thursday, January 23, 2025 in the Winnipeg office.

The Frontier School Division Board of Trustees are wishing everyone a healthy and safe Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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