



FRONTIER
SCHOOL DIVISION
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May 14-16, 2018

Meeting Highlights ~ Board of Trustees

Trustees Ballantyne, Pearson, Calvert, Ettawacappo, Friesen, Imrie, Montgomery, Mosiondz, Osborne, Sanderson

On May 15, 2018 trustees and staff broke into two groups and visited schools in Area 2. Trustees Montgomery, Mosiondz, Calvert, Osborne and Board Chairperson Ballantyne visited Duck Bay, Minegoziibe Anishinabe and Philomene Chartrand schools, and Trustees Sanderson, Imrie, Friesen, Ettawacappo and Vice-Chairperson Pearson visited Skownan, Waterhen and Rorketon Schools. The groups toured schools, sat in on classroom lessons, and met with local governance representatives.

STRATEGIC PLAN DIALOGUE

At every meeting a discussion takes place regarding the Strategic Plan and our three focus areas. As part of general discussion the Board discussed school leadership capacity building, roles of the local school committee, and High School Games. They also discussed the protocols for student safety when transported in private vehicles. The Board received an update on the Envisio software aligning Divisional and school plans as well as plans to implement it in late August. Updates on the implementation of the new logo continues at monthly meetings.

POLICIES

The Board approved for distribution for comment revisions to Regulation and Exhibit E.1.C – Program for the Education of Native Teachers, and major revisions to Policies F.3.A and F.3.F. These items are currently being distributed for comment with additional redistribution to take place in the summer.

The Board approved for implementation C.1.A – Frontier School Division Governance and Leadership Chart, minor revisions to Regulation G.1.C-R Search of Students and Search and Seizure of Student Property, minor grammatical revision regarding the word “indigenous”, and new template forms for all policies, regulations and exhibits. The process to transfer policies from their current format to the new templates will take place during the summer.

PENSION PLAN

The Board approved a recommendation from their Employee Pension Committee for proposed changes to the general salary increase assumption, and the mortality assumption. They also approved a contingent liability be established for the Plan.

AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION - EMPLOYEES

The Board is pleased to announce Marla Kolomaya as the recipient of the 2018 award. A special announcement will be posted on the Division’s web site.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MATERIALS

The Board approved, with additional revisions, refinements to the School Committee Constitution and Terms of Reference template, and the Area Advisory Committee Constitution and Terms of Reference template. The Board also approved refinements to the School Committee Elections Resource Manual.

SCHOOL TRIPS

The Board approved outdoor wilderness/cultural activity trip requests from Jack River School (2), Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre (4), Frontier Collegiate Institute, and Frontier Collegiate Institute Dormitory. They also approved a number of school trips to locations outside Manitoba (Area 3 trip to Alberta, Cormorant Lake to Alberta, and in principle a request from Helen Betty Osborne Ininiw Education Resource Centre to travel to Europe in March 2019).

SAFE GRAD APPROVED

The Board approved a request from Leaf Rapids Education Centre to hold safe grad activities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS and DISCUSSIONS

The Board received a report from the Policy Review, Support Staff Liaison, Employee Pension, and Employee Benefits committees. A report on the Student Services program was presented by Area 2 Superintendent Chartrand. Reports on recent meetings of the Area 4 Advisory Committee and the Area 3 Advisory Committee were provided.

The next meeting of the Frontier School Division Board of Trustees takes place on June 11-12, 2018 in the Winnipeg office.

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