



Prairie Rose School Division

November 20, 2017, Board of Trustees Meeting Highlights

Mission: Prairie Rose is dedicated to developing lifelong learners for global citizenship

Board received the Personnel/Staffing Report. No new staff was reported.

Presentations:

PRSD English as an Additional Language (EAL) Update

EAL Leader, Mary Reimer, presented on EAL in PRSD. The four domains of the curriculum: linguistic competency, intercultural communication and global citizenship, contextual applications, and strategic competency were presented. Linguistic competency in the colonies was identified as a priority. The provincial and divisional EAL data was presented. The PRSD EAL goal of increasing the grade 3 provincial data by 5% for EAL students by the fall of 2022 was identified. Strategies that were presented included reviewing divisional data and planning support, developing a divisional brochure outlining EAL services, and developing an Individualized Education Plan template for all PRSD EAL students. Online access for PRSD teachers to EAL support through PRSD's Learning Centre website was highlighted.

Committee Reports:

Public Relations/Educational Programming (PREP) Committee Meeting

The November 6, 2017, PREP Committee meeting minutes was presented by Trustee Bargen. Agenda items included the Community Consultation feedback, French Immersion Information Night, St. Laurent Public Library Project, and the PRSD High School Information Guide.

Operations/Indemnity Committee Meeting

The November 13, 2017, Operations/Indemnity Committee meeting minutes were presented by Trustee Lachance. Agenda items included the School Area Traffic Safety Guidelines for Manitoba, St. Laurent Transportation Routes, Dufferin Christian School Transportation Services, and Trustee Indemnity & Mileage Rate.

Terry Osiowy, Superintendent/CEO, reported to the Board of Trustees on the following items:

Administrative Procedure Review & Development

The Superintendent/CEO advised the Board of upcoming administrative procedures that will be reviewed. These include AP #207 – Extra/Co-Curricular Travel, AP #506 – Student Placement, Promotion, Retention, Acceleration, and Exemptions, and AP #208 – Student Assessment. Administrative Procedure AP # (TBD) – Staff Complaints and Grievances is being developed.

PRSD and Hutterian Colony School System

The Superintendent/CEO provided highlights of a meeting between senior administration members and the Supervising Principal of the Hutterian Colony School System. The goal is to improve divisional processes that would address systemic challenge in administering the Hutterian Colony School system.

PRSD Performance Evaluation Schedule

Board was provided with a PRSD evaluation schedule identifying staff evaluations, by groupings, for 2017 - 2018.

Board Priority Update – Literacy Improvements – Kindergarten to Grade 12

Provincial Grade 8 Literacy Data

Assistant Superintendent, Ron Sugden, presented provincial grade 8 literacy data that is collected annually. The data for the division and each school has been collected from 2008 for grade 8 in all sub-competencies. Desegregated data for boys/girls, self-declared aboriginal/non-aboriginal, and students in care of Child Family Services is collected.

Provincial Grade 3 Literacy Data

Assistant Superintendent, Ron Sugden, informed the Board of a meeting held by Literacy Leader Barbara Penner with PRSD grade 3 teachers to review the grade 3 provincial literacy data.

Board Priority Update – Numeracy Improvements – Kindergarten to Grade 12

Provincial Grade 7 Numeracy Data

Assistant Superintendent, Ron Sugden, presented provincial grade 7 numeracy data that is collected annually. The data for the division and each school has been collected from 2008 for grade 7 in all sub-competencies. Desegregated data for boys/girls, self-declared aboriginal/non-aboriginal, and students in care of Child Family Services is collected.

Provincial Grade 3 Numeracy Data

Assistant Superintendent, Ron Sugden, informed the Board of a meeting held by Numeracy Leader Bob Beaudry with PRSD grade 3 teachers to review the grade 3 provincial numeracy data.

Board Priority Update – Promotion of Student and Staff Health and Well-Being

Wellbeing/Wellbecoming Framework; WB2 Project

Director of Student Services, Louise Duncan, provided to the Board information on the Wellbeing/Wellbecoming project at Carman Collegiate. Highlights of the November 2, 2017, meeting with partnering groups which include the Manitoba Association of School Superintendents, University of Manitoba Research Group, Manitoba Education and Training/HCMO and six school divisions including PRSD were provided. The project focuses on research in the area of wellness for grade 7 and 8 students. Provincial funds are provided to school divisions for the WB2 project.

Board approved the following motions:

THAT the Carman Collegiate Interim Vice-Principal appointment assigned to Evan Williams be extended to June 29, 2018.

THAT the hiring of Marc Tellier as the Principal of St. François Xavier School, effective January 8, 2018, be approved as recommended by the hiring committee.

Next Board Meeting

Date: Monday, December 4, 2017

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: PRSD Administration Office, Carman, Manitoba