



Prairie Rose School Division

December 3, 2018, Board of Trustees Meeting Highlights

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

Board received the Personnel/Staffing Report. Board welcomes the following staff to PRSD:

- Lisa Legault, Educational Assistant, École St. Eustache
- Sheila Smart, Educational Assistant, École St. Eustache

Presentations

Elm Creek School Students – “Kinikinik” Puppet Play

Grade 7 students Laseck B., Marco F., Emma B., Kaley D., and Olivia H., from Elm Creek School performed a puppet play titled *Kinikinik*. *Kinikinik* is a short play written by Governor General Award winning playwright, Ian Ross, and was commissioned by the Treaty Relations Commission of Manitoba. The play explores treaty relations and delivers the message that "We Are All Treaty People" through three main characters; a turtle, a wolf, and a beaver. Principal, Bill Yaworsky, commended teacher, Jackie DeVries, on her work with the grade 7 students. The students will be presenting *Kinikinik* at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights on Friday, December 7, 2018.

Addictions Foundation of Manitoba (AFM)

Les O’Neill - Supervisor, Eastern and Central Manitoba (ECM) School Based Services, Jennifer Faulder - Director, Communications, Corporate, and ECM Youth Services, and Trina Sterling - Youth Rehabilitation Coordinator, with Addictions Foundation of Manitoba (AFM) presented on the role of AFM within the division. PRSD has a contractual agreement with AFM that provides a seasonal part time addictions counsellor two days per week. The counsellor is based in Carman Collegiate and serves the Miami, Carman, and Elm Creek schools. AFM works reactively with students with alcohol, drug, gambling, or other addictions as well as proactively by answering questions and providing information to students. AFM highlighted the importance of the availability of an addictions counsellor with students and staff.

Parent Delegation

A parent delegation from Region B presented their concerns regarding bus transportation.

Reports of Committees:

Personnel Committee

Trustee Owen provided highlights of the November 12, 2018, Personnel committee meeting.

Senior Administration reported to the Board of Trustees on the following items:

Roland School Physical Literacy Initiative

The Superintendent/CEO spoke to a report submitted by Roland School Principal, Brandy Chevalier, highlighting Roland School's Physical Literacy Initiative. Principal, Brandy Chevalier, notes that physical activity is not only beneficial to overall health but also provides positive impact in increasing concentration, mental cognition, and academic performance. Roland School has implemented an "Active Start" to their school day which includes 5 to 15 minutes of invigorating physically activity opportunities. Classroom teachers lead a session in the classroom, the gym, outdoors, or on their newly installed [sensory path](#) in the morning or throughout the day as students require movement breaks. In addition to the "Active Start" program, Roland School has developed:

- A house group system fostering a sense of camaraderie, encouraged healthy competition, developed school spirit, and rewarded positive action
- Implementation of various student mental and physical well-being programs supported by the school guidance counsellor
- Working towards Ophea's Healthy School Certification
- Safety and Wellness Day in the spring

School Facility Tours

The Superintendent/CEO, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO, Facilities Supervisor, and Project Leader from the Public Schools Finance Board toured St. François Xavier School, École St. Eustache, and St. Paul's Collegiate to review facility needs. Highlighted needs include St. François Xavier School preparing for potential growth in student enrolment due to developments within the municipality and maximizing the facility's program effectiveness, École St. Eustache for improved accessibility, and upgraded band and science facilities at St. Paul's Collegiate.

Region A French Immersion Information Night

The Assistant Superintendent provided a summary of the November 27, 2018, French Immersion Information Night. The evening session provided parents/guardians of students in the Miami, Roland, Carman, and Elm Creek area with an overview of French immersion programming. A French immersion program was implemented at Carman Elementary in 2018-2019 starting with kindergarten, the program will continue to grow introducing kindergarten and grade 1 for the 2019-2020 school year.

Provincial Math Data

The Assistant Superintendent attached data from the past three years identifying the pass rate and mean percentages of Grade 12 Provincial Standards Exams for Essential Math, Applied Math, and Pre-Calculus Math.

Highlighted Motions:

THAT Trustee Owen, Trustee North, and Trustee Cronin be appointed as members of the PRTA/PRSD Liaison committee for the 2018-2019 school year.

Next Board Meeting

Date: Monday, December 17, 2018

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: PRSD Administration Office, Carman, Manitoba