



Prairie Rose School Division

April 26, 2021, 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:

- Connor Garrioch, Apprentice Mechanic, Elie Bus Garage
- John Teichroeb, Apprentice Mechanic, Carman Bus Garage

Presentations:

ST. LAURENT SCHOOL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT PRESENTATION

As part of a schedule of high school student presentations to the Board of Trustees, three St. Laurent School students spoke to the Board of Trustees on how the pandemic has affected their school experiences, their learning and engagement, and their mental health. Students shared survey results that showed that 91% of students from grade 7-11 identified that they agree or strongly agree that they feel safe with St. Laurent School's COVID plans, and 86.7% identified that they agree or strongly agree that they have built more independence and resiliency during the pandemic.

Students shared possibilities and expectations for the 2021-2022 school year which included increased flexibility with cohorts, more access within the school, extended time between classes, and more access to sports teams and clubs. Students identified skills they have gained during the pandemic including independence through online learning, better flexibility, resiliency, organization, and accountability.

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

MANITOBA EDUCATION/PANDEMIC UPDATES

Pandemic updates from Manitoba Education were presented. Medical eye protection is being provided to school division staff across the province. A session with Manitoba Chief Public Health Officer Dr. Roussin and Manitoba Education took place that provided open dialogue for principals and Superintendents to discuss public health measures. Manitoba Public Health released a document to school divisions identifying the steps when considering moving schools to remote learning.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2021-2022

The 2021-2022 school calendar was presented for approval.

- [2021-2022 School Calendar](#)

MANITOBA EDUCATION AND TRANSFORMATION UPDATE

Updates on Manitoba Education's Transformation Committee were provided. Expression of Interest has been received across the province, mostly in a temporary advisory role, less interest was received for

temporary positions. Bi-weekly Superintendent, Secretary-Treasurer, and Manitoba Education meetings have commenced, the meetings provide updates as they are available.

A meeting with principals, vice principals, and senior administration for the new Region 10 (Prairie Rose School Division and Prairie Spirit School Division) is scheduled for Friday, April 30, 2021.

Manitoba Education is developing high school grade band descriptors for Manitoba's ELA curriculum and has struck a committee that includes PRSD employees.

VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMMING UPDATES – 2021-2022

Program development and staffing updates were provided for the Advanced Placement Program, Applied Commerce Program, and Academic Option Courses. Student registration numbers have been collected identifying positive student interest in the programs.

Business Arising (from Previous Delegations/Board Meetings)

MANITOBA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (MSBA) ADVOCACY STRATEGY

MSBA Region 2 correspondence was attached promoting the advocacy resource page for Manitoba school boards.

Highlighted Motions:

THAT the 2021-2022 School Calendar be approved as presented.

THAT the March 2021 accounts showing total general expenditures of \$1,537,104.51 be approved as submitted.

THAT the Five-Year Capital Plan be submitted to Public Schools' Finance Branch as presented to the Board.

Next Board Meeting

Date: Monday, May 10, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Division Office Board Room, Carman, Manitoba