



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

June 27, 2013

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Presentations

- Stephanie Ritcey, Supervisor of Student Services, updated the Board on the Integrated Service Contract with Region 10. The integrated services contracted started three years ago 2011-2012 school year, which had Region 10 hire 0.5 of a success coach from When We Are Healthy. The idea behind the contract was to provide a full time position for the Success Coach in the community as only 0.5 was funded under When We Are Healthy, the other half time had the coach working on referrals for Region 10. The referrals included supervised visits and transporting clients to meet the requirements outlined by Region 10. This had a huge success in the community that in 2012-2013, the contract was expanded. 2012-2013 school year the contract includes a 0.5 worker in Gift Lake and a 1.00 FTE in East Prairie. The worker in East Prairie has 3 main goals; 1) operate at Parent Link Center; 2) Region 10 referral; and 3) Support to the school. This year has been successful and currently Region 10 is exploring the option of expanding the contract for next year. 1.00 FTE for both Gift Lake and East Prairie. This would help both of these communities build up capacity for June 2014 when the When We Are Healthy Project is set to end.
- Gail Sajo, Literacy Coordinator, presented to the Board an update on PM Benchmarks. In the first year of the Northland School Division No. 61 Literacy Initiative, some of the highlights were presented to the Board. These included:
 - The twofold purpose: a) to improve teaching practice and b) to improve learner outcomes.
 - An introduction to the data collected, analyzed, and interpreted division-wide, in school and class groupings, and individually.
 - The data revealed trends in growth and attainment, identified zones of intervention.
 - Among the trends, we see entry level (Grade 1) students achieving at grade level; students beginning to slip as early as Grade 2 where we have flagged a need for extra support (yellow zone); students in need of intervention (red zone). As students reading at or above grade level move into higher grades, evidence shows a decline or slowing in their forward movement. Yellow and red zone students show converse increases. This is an area to work on with administrators and teachers. However, all student groups are showing growth, a positive outcome.
 - A need to drill down in the data to correlate against attendance;
 - an opportunity to consult with PEDs, administrators, teachers, parents, and communities around next steps toward supporting student growth and attainment;

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- monitoring and supervising teachers and administrators in implementing both assessment and instruction with fidelity and frequency;
 - using oral language at all levels to build relationships and engagement;
 - celebrating the background and experiential knowledge students bring into the learning environment and using this knowledge to propel student learning;
 - ways to engage parents and students in literacy within the communities.
- ✂ Thanks to Jan Ruhl, Lorraine Cardinal-Roy, and Margaretha Ebbers from Alberta Education for sitting in on our session.
- ✂ The Board approved the following reports:
- Superintendent's Report
 - Chairman's Report
 - Secretary-Treasurer's Report
- ✂ The Board received as information the Board Meeting/Agenda Review dates.
- ✂ The Board received as information the Financial Quarterly Report.
- ✂ The Board approved the 2013 New Teacher Orientation - "Creating Relationships" - Grouard, Alberta: August 19 - 23, 2013.
- ✂ The Board approved the administration to review and update current divisional discipline procedures in light of the new School Act.
- ✂ The Board approved the application for an \$800.00 scholarship from Bonnie MacPhee, to attend a University program, other than Education.
- ✂ The Board approved a title change from Supervisor of FNMI Programming to Director of First Nation Métis Inuit Education.
- ✂ The Board approved sending the OH&S Officer for First Aid Trainer Training at a cost of \$3,210.00 plus GST.
- ✂ The Board approved the tender in the amount of \$93,700.00 (three year contract - \$32,233.33 per year), from Box Clever to develop a new corporate website and individual school websites.
- ✂ The Board received as information as information, changes to Appendix 2 — Schedule of Rates.
- ✂ The Board approved the transfer of portions of lots 6 & 7 (containing 2.82 hectares, more or less in lot 6 and 3.52 hectares, more or less in lot 7) plan 9623087 owned by Northland School Division No. 61 to Fort McKay First Nations.
- ✂ The Board approved the tender from Rivard Roofing Ltd in the amount of \$83,628.00 + GST for the partial re-roof of Calling Lake School with funds coming from IMR funding.
- ✂ The Board approved the contract for the supply of propane and related services for the jurisdiction to Superior Propane for the next three years.
- ✂ The Board approved the contract for Custodial Supplies and Services to Wesclean in the amount of \$120,352.43 + GST for a three-year term.
- ✂ The Board approved the transfer of the kitchen trailer and contents at Little Buffalo School to the Lubicon Lake Band.
- ✂ The Board tabled to ratify the administrative action to eliminate route #404 and continue to transport the students on route #429 in Susa Creek for the 2013 – 2014 school year.
- ✂ The Board tabled route #427 be eliminated and the route combined with route #461 and #462 in Anzac for the 2013 - 2014 school year.
- ✂ The Board approved the Little Buffalo Partial Re-roof Tender to Belvedere Roofing Ltd in the amount of \$144,887.00 plus GST.
- ✂ The Board approved the Little Buffalo School Mould Remediation of the Science Room and Portable Tender to Altapro Rainbow in the amount of \$13,258.00 plus GST.
- ✂ The Board received as information, the following:
- Areas of responsibility for the Learning Team.
 - Dates for Administrators' Meetings for the 2013-2014 school year.
 - ATA election of the Director of Human Resources.
 - ASEBP Level 2 Health Benefit Claims Experience Report.
 - Maintenance Review Committee Update.
- Board and Committee Meeting
& Advisory Committee Meeting**
- August 20, 2013 Committee Meetings & Agenda Review
August 28, 2013 Advisory Committee Meeting
August 29, 2013 Board Meeting

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