

# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

## March 20, 2014

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

### Colin Kelly, Official Trustee Local School Board Chairs

Julia Cardinal, Acting Chair ADCS David Czibere, Anzac Greg Gauchier, Bishop Routhier Clifford Cardinal, Calling Lake Jason Yuck, Chipewyan Lake Margaret Quintal, Conklin Kim Courtoreille, Desmarais Shelly Auger, East Prairie Shelley Bartman, Elizabeth Janet Lynn McDonald, Fort McKay Ken Shaw, Gift Lake Jesse Lamouche, Acting Chair Grouard Joan Daniels, J.F. Dion Alice Fontaine, Janvier Kathy Omoth, Keg River Dwight Gladue, Little Buffalo Candice Calliou, Paddle Prairie Louis Cardinal, Peerless Lake Violet Carlson, Pelican Mountain Rachelle McDonald, Susa Creek Elmer Gullion, Trout Lake Robin Guild, Wabasca

#### **Advisory Committee**

Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard Elmer Gullion, Trout Lake Julia Cardinal, ADCS Ken Shaw. Gift Lake

#### **Senior Administration**

Donna Barrett, Superintendent Don Tessier, Associate Superintendent Wes Oginski, Director of Human Resources

Dennis Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer
David Cox, Division Facility Manager
Delores Pruden, Director of First Nation
Métis Inuit Education

#### View the March 20, 2014 Board Agenda on our website at:

http://www.northland61.ab.ca/main/documents/March\_20\_2014\_BoardAgendaPackage\_001.pdf

#### Presentation - Curriculum Redesign

Jennifer Bushrod, Director Cross Curriculum Infusion and Pauline Auger, Team Lead, FNMI Cultures from Alberta Education, presented the new "Curriculum Redesign" to the Board.

Building on the strengths of the existing provincial curriculum along with the information shared by Albertans through the province-wide Inspiring Education consultations, the new "Curriculum Redesign" will focus on education, centred on the learner, will build students' development of competencies and will use technology to support the creation and sharing of knowledge. Go to <a href="http://education.alberta.ca/department/ipr/curriculum.aspx">http://education.alberta.ca/department/ipr/curriculum.aspx</a> to see the video and read all about it!

#### Presentation – Land-based Indigenous Education Program

Dafydd Thomas, Mistassiniy Principal and Jackie Sander, Grouard Principal, gave a presentation to the Board on the Land-based Indigenous Education Program that they participated in through the University of Saskatchewan, Master's Program. The Land-based Indigenous Education Program has taken the Cohort to Saskatchewan, Hawaii and will be traveling to an undecided location in the spring. The course is an intro to Land-based Education and the objective is to understand the relationship between land and Indigenous peoples.

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#### **An Old Cherokee Tale of Two Wolves**

One evening an old Cherokee Indian told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, 'My son, the battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all. One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.

The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith.'

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: 'Which wolf wins?'

The old Cherokee simply replied, 'The one you feed.'



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The Board accepts as information the following reports:

- · Superintendent's Report
- · Chairman's Report
- · Secretary-Treasurer's Repot
- The Board directs administration to develop a procedure relating to the storage of email documents.
- The Board of Trustees approve housekeeping changes to Procedure 320, Financial Support for Education Placement Outside of the Division.
- The Board of Trustees approve and ratify the Memorandum of Agreement reached between Northland School Division No. 61 and The Alberta Teachers' Association on November 8, 2013.
- The Board of Trustees approve the upgrade of Read and Write Gold for 325 concurrent users at a cost \$23,956.70 including \$7,605.30 for Annual Software Maintenance and gst, with funding for this to be included in the 2014-15 budget.
- The Board of Trustees approves application for an Outreach Program at the following schools:
  - · Bill Woodward
  - Kateri
  - · Athabasca Delta
  - Calling Lake
- The Board approves changes to the Boarding Home Manual.
- The Board Board of Trustees receive as information, changes to Policy One, Board Philosophy Mandate, Core, Purpose, Vision Beliefs and Values.

- That the Board of Trustees grant Paraprofessional Education Leave for the 2014-2015 school year to:
  - Anita Cunningham, Special Assistant, Grouard Northland School
  - · Dallas L'Hirondelle, Teacher Assistant Hillview School
  - · Carla Laboucan, Teacher Assistant, Little Buffalo School
  - Sheila Auger, Native Language Instructor, St. Theresa School
- The Board reviews for information the following items:
  - · 2013 Apple Schools Evaluation Report
  - · 2014 Orientation
  - Common Block of Instructional Time for Sharing Teacher Expertise
  - Sharing Resources Mistassiniy School and Career Pathways School
  - Funding Proposal for Career Pathways
  - · CTS Welding Trailer
  - · Update Northland Collegial Leadership Program
  - Update Northland Staff Supervision and Evaluation Review
  - NSD Records Retention Schedule and Information with SRB
  - Bill Woodward Air Handling Units
  - · Gift Lake Update
  - Mistassiniy, St. Theresa, Paddle Prairie, Calling Lake, Chipewyan Lake and Dr. Mary Jackson HVAC Systems
  - · Susa Creek Roof Top Unit Heater

#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Upcoming Meetings** 

Apr 30/14	Advisory Committee Meeting
May 1/14	Board Meeting

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