



Northland School Division No.61

Board Highlights

Corporate Board Meeting – May 29, 2014

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MEMBERSHIP

Colin Kelly, Official Trustee

Local School Board Chairs

Julia Cardinal, Acting Chair ADCS

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Kim Courtoreille, Desmarais

Shelly Auger, East Prairie

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Janet Lynn McDonald, Fort McKay

Ken Shaw, Gift Lake

Jesse Lamouche, Grouard

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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

Tell Them From Me Survey Results

Associate Superintendent Don Tessier presented the results from the “Tell Them From Me” student survey. The survey is a dynamic web based evaluation system designed to provide accurate information on student engagement to meet the ongoing planning needs of teachers, school administrators and school division leaders. This presentation concentrated on the results of students in grades 7-10 which represents 308 students. Every survey question is based on the most current research on school and classroom effectiveness.

Technology Presentation

The Northland Board stepped into the world of technology! The presentation by Sherrie Buchner, Supervisor of Technology and Jason Juneau, IT Network Administrator highlighted Alberta Education’s [Learning and Technology Policy Framework](#), Northland School Division’s Learning and Technology Plan and exciting technology initiatives happening at Northland schools such as video conferencing, using SMARTboards in the classroom, digital story-telling, digital photography, using Google Docs, using computers and chrome books for research and utilizing social media for learning and communication. The Board became familiar with the five policy directions that make up the Learning and Technology Policy Framework which created discussion on how to use the information for future planning. Northland School Division’s Learning and Technology Plan is currently aligned with Alberta Education’s “Inspiring Education” and will be used to provide technology support, student centred learning and competencies for all students in an inclusive system.

Northland Board Approve Posting RFP for Print, Copy, Scan Solution

Official Trustee Colin Kelly moved that the Northland Board authorize administration to proceed with the development and posting of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a managed print, copy, scan and fax solution for Northland School Division No.61. Currently, Northland has 221 devices, 126 models and 13 brands. The RFP would allow Northland to move to a single vendor which over time will lead to cost savings for the jurisdiction.



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Northland Board Approve Education Quarterly Report

The Northland Board moved to approve the Quarterly Education Report. The report, presented by Donna Barrett, Superintendent of Schools, details the work that has been done to address priorities for Northland School Division. The report provides an update in regards to the Literacy Initiative, learning materials for Career and Technology Studies (CTS) and Career and Technology Foundations (CTF), strengthening language and cultural programming, enrolment, attendance, school visits by Central Office staff and success stories.

Northland Board Approve 2014-2015 Budget

The Northland Board approved the 2014-2015 budget at the corporate board meeting held on May 29, 2014. The division's total operating budget is \$61, 288, 324. The budget will support improvements to the Literacy Initiative, professional development for school staff, building capacity for strengthening language and cultural programming, New Teacher Orientation, enhancement of school libraries, strengthen CTS/CTF programming, improvement to school facilities and the launch of a new Division website and school websites.

Procedure Approvals

- The Northland Board accept changes in principle to Procedure 418 - Staff Educational Leave
- The Northland Board accept changes in principle to Procedure 420 - Paraprofessional Staff Education Leave.
- The Northland Board accept changes in principle to Procedure 422 - Support Staff Education Leave.
- The Northland Board accept changes in principle to Procedure 434 - Salary Administration.

View the Board Agenda on our website at:

http://www.northland61.ab.ca/main/documents/BOARD_Agenda_May_29_2014.pdf

View the Board Minutes on our website at:

http://www.northland61.ab.ca/main/documents/May_29_2014_Board_Minutes_DRAFT.pdf

View Board Meeting Attachments on our website at:

<http://www.northland61.ab.ca/main/documents/May29BoardAttachments.pdf>



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Important Dates to Remember

June 17, 2014	Committee Meetings and Agenda Review
June 25, 2014	Advisory Committee Meeting
June 26, 2014	Board Meeting

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