

# The Northland School Division (NSD)

Board Highlights Regular Board Meeting – April 22, 2022

# Lorraine McGillivray officially sworn in as Ward 1 Trustee



During the Regular Board Meeting, Lorraine McGillivray was officially sworn in as Ward 1 Trustee. Lorraine McGillivray, a Paddle Prairie Métis Settlement resident, has been declared the new trustee by acclamation. As Ward 1 Trustee, Lorraine will represent the Paddle Métis Settlement and Keg River. Click on the website link to learn more about Lorraine <u>https://www.nsd61.ca/about-us/division-</u> <u>news/post/nsd-announces-new-ward-1-trustee2</u>.

## Edwin Parr Teacher Award nominee approved by Board of Trustees



The 2022 Edwin Parr Teacher Award nominee from NSD is an educator from Athabasca Delta Community School (ADCS)! The Board of Trustees approved the nomination submitted for Brittney Lyon. Click on the website link to view the media release <u>https://www.nsd61.ca/about-us/division-news/post/fort-</u>chipewyan-educator-selected-as-nsds-edwin-parr-teacher-award-nominee.

## Northland logo will have a new look!



The visual identity of Northland School Division will have a new look! Northland ran the contest from March 21, 2022 and concluded on April 15, 2022. The top community submission was designed by Regan Auger! Regan will receive a \$250 cash prize plus a \$250 worth of Northland School Division swag. The Board of Trustees passed a motion to accept the new logo of Northland School Division as designed by Regan Auger.

## Long Service Awards date approved by the Board



The Board of Trustees approved hosting the Long Service Awards on Thursday, June 16, 2022 in Peace River. The event recognizes staff who have achieved 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 years of service and retirees.

Earlier this year, the Board hosted a Long Service Awards in October to recognize staff from 2020 and 2021 school years. The awards for 2020 and 2021 were postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Awards and Celebrations - Fort McKay Schools students celebrated by the Board and Administration



The Board and Administration celebrated three Fort McKay School students for outstanding achievements! Sadi Gladue, Grade 6 student, was nominated and won a Regional Aboriginal Recognition Award (RARA). This award is presented to individuals who are making positive contributions within their community. River Denego and Harley Gladue were nominated for the Alberta School Boards Association

(ASBA) The Honoring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards. The Honoring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards are intended to recognize First Nations, Métis and Inuit students who model strength and commitment in the pursuit of their personal education paths. This award is presented annually to students who show exemplary leadership, honour, courage and commitment.

# Revised 2022-2023 Northland Calendar presented as information

A revised version of the 2022-2023 Northland Calendar was presented as information to the Board. Before the revision, Monday, January 23, 2023 was scheduled to be a Division Professional Learning Day, which is the same day as the Social Studies 30-1 and 30-2 Part B Diploma Exam. By moving the Division Professional Learning Day to Monday, January 30, 2023, this would not interfere with any Diploma Exams. Click on the website link to view the revised calendar <u>https://www.nsd61.ca/download/385621</u>.

# Principles and Assumptions for 2022-2023 Budget given the go-ahead

The Board of Trustees approved the Principles and Assumptions for the 2022-2023 Budget. These are used by the Administration to develop the detailed annual budget. The financial management cycle includes monthly budget variance reviews, the annual budget in May and the fall update to the budget in November (for actual enrollments and emerging priorities). The 2022-2023 Budget will be presented for approval at the Regular Board Meeting on May 20, 2022.

# Superintendent's Highlights - Parents express excitement about students taking university courses in high school



In the latest edition of the Superintendent's Highlights, Dr. Nancy Spencer-Poitras, provided an update about the dual credit agreement Northland School Division signed with MacEwan University. Spencer-Poitras said parents and guardians are ecstatic their child is a legitimate university student while still attending high school. Students are currently able to take the following MacEwan University courses:

- PSSC 112 Policing in Canada Hours
- Winter 2022; PSSC 121
- Law and the Administration of Justice
- TAST 101 Child and Adolescent Development
- Indigenous Studies 100/ Aboriginal Studies 30

Click on the website link to view the entire Superintendent's Highlights <u>https://www.nsd61.ca/download/387384</u> (page 103).

#### Associate Superintendent Report - High School Timetable to be established

While presenting an update to the Board, Associate Superintendent Cal Johnson discussed a recent meeting between members of the Executive Team and High School Principals. During the meeting, they reviewed five years of data to determine trends in areas of success and areas of improvement. The goal is to use the data to build a common high school timetable plan for the 2022-2023 school year. Click on the website link to view the entire Associate Superintendent's Report <a href="https://www.nsd61.ca/download/387384">https://www.nsd61.ca/download/387384</a> (page 111).

#### Next Regular Board Meeting is Friday, May 20, 2022

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