

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION
INNER CITY DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS – Thursday, April 27, 2017

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Committee members approved the Agenda of April 27, 2017, as distributed.

2. FAMILIES AND SCHOOLS TOGETHER (F&ST)

Committee members received a presentation by Families and Schools Together. Families and Schools Together helps children thrive by building stronger, more supportive relationships at home. Built on evidence-based practices and rigorously tested, F&ST consistently produces statistically significant improvements in children's behavior, emotional well-being and academic performance while building social capital among families, schools and communities. Families and Schools Together, Inc. exists to make a critical difference in the midst of these challenges by empowering parents, strengthening families and creating social networks that give children the opportunity for fulfilling, productive lives.

Committee members were informed that the F&ST program runs one night a week for 8 weeks, providing transportation and meals to participating families. Children, parents and youth are separated into groups for age based activities and instruction based classes. The F&ST program also has a 2 year follow up program called Fast Works where families get together once a month for activities. The F&ST program connects families with school administration as well as assists in helping families get connected with community based programs.

Committee members were informed that Families and Schools Together is funded by schools, the Province of MB and United Way. The programs are run by trained staff, teachers, recreation coordinator, community partners and youth advocates. Each F&ST Team forms a "hub" serving eight to 10 participating F&ST Families

For more information on the program or to have a presentation please contact Christine Turnbull at Families and Schools Together by email at cturnbull@familydynamics.ca or by phone at 204-947-1401.

3. FOR INFORMATION

3.1 Transportation of Pupils

Committee members were informed that the Board of Trustees passed a budget for the 2017/2018 school year which includes expenditures in the amount of \$406,594,200 for the fiscal period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. To achieve a balanced budget, the Board considered many cost savings measures, including aligning the Division's transportation policy to be consistent with the Public Schools Act and services offered by other school divisions in the City of Winnipeg.

Committee members were informed that effective September 2017, only those students who meet the distance requirements of 1.6 kilometers boundary from the school to both the residence/daycare will be eligible to receive transportation. Students who have exceptional learning needs such as social/emotional, behavioural, sensory, physical, cognitive/intellectual, communication, academic or special health-care will continue to be provided with appropriate school bus transportation. As well, students in Kindergarten to Grade 6 in a language or alternative program, and Nursery students attending one of WSD's three French immersion milieu schools or Aboriginal education school, whose residence/daycare is both 1.6 kilometers or further from the school will also continue to be provided with bus transportation.

Committee members were informed that students who do not meet the criteria noted above will no longer have an option to pay a fee for this service. Although, the Division recognizes that this will require some families to make adjustments to their daily schedules for the beginning of the 2017/2018 school year, it is important to implement these measures to ensure that all financial resources are redirected towards the classroom and programs that will enable students to be successful in their educational learning.

3.2 Policy IGABA – Aboriginal Education

Committee members were informed that the Advisory Council on Indigenous Education (ACIE), a sub-committee of the Policy/Program Committee, has undertaken a review of Policy IGABA – Aboriginal Education and is inviting parents to participate in an interactive feedback process to ensure that the policy reflects the learning needs of students and schools.

Committee members were informed that a Community Gathering will be held on Thursday, May 25th, 2017 at R. B. Russell, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Principals will be seeking 3-5 representatives from each school to attend the Gathering to participate and review the policy. At the same time, the invited parents may also wish to view the WSD Indigenous Gallery Walk displays of the work being created in our schools. Committee members were informed to contact their respective Principal should they be interested in participating in the event.

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3.3 School Names

Committee members were informed that the Public Relations Committee discussed the naming of schools in the Division and will continue its review of school names in the fall. Committee members were encouraged to share this information with their respective school and advise the Board if consideration should be given to the renaming of their school.

3.4 District Advisory Reports and Summaries of Discussions

Committee members were informed that at a meeting held March 6, 2017, the Board of Trustees received the Inner City District Advisory Committee Report and Summary of Discussions as information. Committee members were informed that once received by the Board, District Advisory Committee Reports and Summaries of Discussions are posted on the Division's website under the Family and Community tab.

4. ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHOOL REPORTS

SCHOOL REPORTS

Parent representatives from the following schools provided a written report (attached) on school activities:

- Children of the Earth
- Hugh John Macdonald School
- John M. King School
- Mulvey School
- Norquay School
- Pinkham School

IN ATTENDANCE:

Voting Representatives:

Nicole Abbott, General Wolfe School
Mary Chuol, Hugh John Macdonald School
Crystal Dalke, John M. King School
Shayla Donnelly, King Edward School
Kristi Degenhardt, Mulvey School
Dolly Daniels, Niji Mahkwa School
Charlene Meekis, Norquay School
Shannon Allard, Pinkham School
Cathy Bird, William Whyte School

Alternate Representatives

Kathy Gaudreau, General Wolfe School
Karla Simard, Children of the Earth

Regrets:

David Livingstone School

Trustees:

Cathy Collins
Lisa Naylor

Administration:

Karin Seiler Superintendent
Rob Riel, Director of Aboriginal Education & Newcomer Services
Brad Corbett, Director of Enrichment & Science
Pat Graham, Principal, Argyle School
Nichola Batzel, Principal, Children of the Earth
Vinh Huynh, Principal, Hugh John Macdonald
Lucy Schnaider, Principal, John M. King School
Wendy Verbong, Vice-Principal, John M. King School
Peter Correia, Principal, Mulvey School
Stacie Edgar, Vice-Principal, Mulvey School
Chris Goring, Principal, Niji Mahkwa School
Leslie Last, Principal, Norquay School
Dennis Perron, Principal, William Whyte School

Non-Voting/Resource Members:

Families and Schools Together (F&ST) representatives
Mulvey School Support Worker
King Edward Support Worker
Niji Mahkwa Support Worker
Norquay School Support Worker



Children of the Earth High School

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Children of the Earth High School

Highlights September 2016 – June 2017

June 29-Grade 12 **Graduation** and Celebration

June 23-**MCEP Parent and Clinical Staff Appreciation Lunch**

June 19-22-Exams

June 15- **Awards Ceremony**

June 9- **Pinning Ceremony** for MCEP students

May 26- Thunderbird Café showcasing at **AAA Gallery Walk**

May 25- Grade 10 boys program building **robots** for competition

May 17 & 18- Business and AYLP students going to Students going to **Vision Quest Conference**

May 17- **Medical Career Exploration Program (MCEP)** students to J.C. Wilt Lab

May 12- **Spirit Line Art Show** at Neechi Commons from 6:00-8:00 pm

May 11- Boys fitted at EPH Apparel for **grad suits**

May 8- Student Cooperative with **Artist Collective at Human Rights Museum** showcasing art

May 5 & 6- **In.Buisness** closing conference in Saskatchewan

May3- Students going to **Petroforms** to learn about history and gain land based teachings

May- Attendance Incentive kicking off. **May the force be with you!**

April 27- **Gowns for Grads!** All our girls who needed a gown found one and enjoyed the experience. Here is a big shout out to Gowns For Grad Volunteers and coordinators! Well run and excellent experience!

April 26- **Everybody has the Right** at Canadian Museum of Human Rights



Month of February – Pipe ceremonies were Eagle Teachings of Love.

Sarasvati Productions Theatre's Afterschool program joined us in February. Students enjoy another after school opportunity to take part in drama exercises.

Students joined Niji Mahkwa to see **Frontier Fiddlers and Manitoba Chamber Orchestra** perform at Westminster United Church.

Language development PD with clan teachings for staff was done in February.

Semester 1 is complete and Semester 2 is now underway.

January Pipe Ceremonies included Buffalo teachings of Respect.

Mayor Brian Bowman collaborated with students on January 19 and had a wonderful discussion about reconciliation. The power went out, but the conversation continued! Was enjoyed by all.

Grade 9 Visual Arts students designed and painted a feather representing community to adorn the first Indigenous themed float included in Winnipeg's 2016 Santa Clause Parade.

Girls Drum Group - Ikwewag Ga-zoongiga Niiwawiiwad (Women Standing Strong) practices at lunch hours 3-4 times a week. – The group also sings for guests and at pipe ceremonies within the school and division.

Basketball is running for boys and girls and badminton is being offered after school.

December 21 was our **Winter Feast and Fun Day** event. Santa was here and pictures were taken!

AbOriginal Student Co-op started on October 11th and is offered twice a week. The student run Co-Op is a partnership with COTE, SEED (Supporting Employment and Economic Development), and the Manitoba Cooperative Association. The curriculum teaches the basics of cooperative enterprises including business and cooperative principals. Hard and soft skills necessary to run a business including, inventory management, production, accounting, marketing, cashier and customer service, teamwork, decision making, public speaking sales, money managements. Curriculum is designed through an indigenous lens to connect cooperative business principles and practices to indigenous traditional knowledge and principals. December 4 Art sale at Assiniboine Park Conservatory was a success.

November 10-We watched the play **Shattered put on by Sarasviti Productions**. This play dealt with Mental Health- depression and anxiety. At the end audience participation allowed actors to end with a positive spin by changing the end of the stories.

The **Girls' Volleyball season** wrapped up on November 8th. 10 girls improved their skills while displaying great sportsmanship, teamwork and school pride during the season. The Thunderbirds were competitive and these players enjoyed their season in the Winnipeg School Division League.

November 9th **Remembrance Day** Ceremony and pipe ceremony. Students heard from Veterans and remembered why peace is so important.



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Ainslie Loria, Vice-Principal

School Report

Dear Students, Staff, Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

We are now into the first week of May and despite the lingering coolness in the weather, there is anticipation in the air as we work toward a safe and strong finish to the 2016-2017 school year. Joining us on staff for the last part of this year is *Mr. Byron Thiessen* who is working with Team Truth in our Special Education Center. We are also taking the time to thank our teacher candidates for the completion of their learning and teaching assignment with us at the end of April. All the best to all our teacher candidates as they continue in their learning, and prepare for their teaching service. *U of M: Derek Barnet, Dexter Frank, and Claire Rodger, and from the U of W: Alison Jonk, Alexander Braun, Anna Currie, Katie DeRoo, Laura Carroll, Catherine Nguyen, Sean Fitzmaurice, Mona Friesen and Nikeesha Williams.*

January to March was our longest time of sustained learning and teaching and the spring break gave us a little time for reflection before we resumed for our final term. On the literacy front, our ELA teachers implemented the use of the developmental spelling assessment (Words Their Way) as well as the writing continuum. You may be familiar with both as they are part of the assessments in elementary and we have been able to extend it to the middle years to further assist us in supporting our students learning through ongoing assessment of student progress.

Our boys and girls basketball teams at both junior and grade nine level competed with very good effort at the divisional level and we are currently transitioning to outdoor soccer and softball. May and June will be busy months filled with learning activities and many deadlines, so please review and make note of those that relate to your children in the attached May and June calendar.

Please note in particular the exam schedules in June, followed by opportunities for students to enjoy experiential learning across our school with mini courses and a diversity of teams and school wide activities

Please also keep in mind that our **Awards Ceremony for our Grade 7, 8 and 9 students will be on Tuesday, June 27th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** at our school. Details will be included in our invitation letters to parents/caregivers in June to join our students in celebrating their achievements. We can also expect strong representation from our community leaders and government representatives to join us in marking our students' milestones of achievement. In the evening of June 27th, our Grade 9 students will enjoy their farewell dinner and dance at the Viscount Gort and in preparation for this undertaking, students are raising funds to offset the cost of their tickets. Please do consider supporting them.

HUGH JOHN MACDONALD SCHOOL

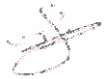
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At a community level, we will be hosting a pop up event that is being organized on behalf of the City of Winnipeg to obtain feedback from residents regarding the West Alexander to East Exchange to provide the important east-west connections between Waterfront Drive and Sherbrook Street. This project will look at options for improving the existing painted bike lanes to protected lanes so that they are comfortable for people of all ages and abilities. Please note that this event will take place on Tuesday, June 20th and details will come out soon as to the time and content for the consultation.

Finally, all current 7 and 8 students are preregistered this year and an option sheet has been sent home for students to work with their parents on the selection of option courses. This new pre-registration is designed, as much as possible, to be a seamless transition for your child to be registered in advance for homerooms, and course selections for next year.

Thank you.



Vinh Huynh
Principal



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John M King

Report or Inner City Parent Advisory Committee

March

- Wiggle Giggle and Munch Parent program
- Inner City Soccer League for the Winnipeg School Division
- Bead work in Family Room
- Moccasin Making in the Family Room
- Sewing (Parents) in the Family Room
- Make and Take (community meal prep and take home) once this month
- Winnipeg Police service presentation on online safety for Parent Advisory.
- Parent program Bounce Back and Thrive
- Twice weekly whole school Snack.
- Pow wow, Makers Club, Origami, Mindfulness, Sewing (students), Choir, Career, Leadership, Coding, Yoga clubs are each held once weekly.
- Intramurals, floor hockey and Football clubs.
- Spirt Week
- Talent Show
- Wrestling Team training and two tournaments (Many Medals)!
- Choir performed at the Winnipeg Music Festival (silver medal)
- Student Led Conferences

April

- Intramurals & Floor hockey @ lunch hour
- Makers club, 2 groups of coding, Origami, Career, Mindfulness, Leadership, Running club each running once weekly
- Maker Space Family evening
- Spring Plant sale
- Family room: Sewing/Regalia making, Beading, School Snack, make and take playdough, Make and Take cooking program
- Volunteer Appreciation Assembly and Reception
- Everybody has the Right (Student Leaders participated)



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Mulvey School Community Report February – April 27, 2017

Here are some highlights at Mulvey School from February – April 27, 2017

Mother Goose Student/Staff/Parent Evening – Thurs., March 22, 5:30-7:30 PM over 80 participants

Mulvey Student/Staff/Parent School Spirit Week Monday, March 20-24, 2017

Events included Community Guest reader day, Reading Sport Challenge Day, Pancake Breakfast

The Student Leadership Team raised money in February-April 2016 by selling baked goods, spirit week activities and events. A total of over \$1 100.00 has been raised so far by the Student leadership for ESD Priority both locally and globally.

Mulvey Parent Council also raised funds through pizza lunches and honey sales. All the funds raised are put directly back into school related activities, and programming, such as field trips, extra curricular clubs, and grade six year end celebration, nutrition programs and initiatives.

Mulvey School Touring Choir is preparing to visit 8 Senior Citizens Homes and entertain for one full day on Friday, June 9, 2017.

Career Trek for 3 Mulvey Students attending weekly on Saturdays

Career Trek for 4 students to attend Red River College Career Day

Parent Nutrition Bingos in February and April and then a Potluck in March

24 students attended the MTS Speed Skate Races, Private music lessons, choir, dance, 32 students in Kids in the Kitchen Program and 30 students participated in the Wpg Blue Bomber Youth Football.

24 students are receiving private music lessons from Volunteers. Mulvey School Music Recital will take place on May 4.

Students and Staff working with Musician Dan Donahue to produce school wide song on Canada 150 Theme. This will be included with school wide picture book on Canada 150. To be given to all the students in June 2017

12 students from Intermediate Team participated in Big Brother Big Sister Mindfulness day at University of Manitoba

Youth to Youth with Balmoral Hall and Mulvey Grades 5 & 6 students

Balmoral Hall / Mulvey Intermediate Students Science afternoon

Leadership Sport and Recess Leader students continued

Patrol Training and Roller Skating

**For term 2 46 students 100% Attendance 76 students had above 97% Attendance.
Over 260 Being your BEST Bracelets given out to Mulvey Students.**

Spring visit to Misericordia Hospital to visit and sing to residents – 7 students in all

Mindfulness PD in February Goal Setting Vision Day PD in May and Math Vocabulary PD in April

Constable Jones on Personal Safety and Internet Safety / Bully Proofing

Grade 5/6 Winter Camp at Camp Cedarwood - 67 students & 14 staff 3 days and 2 nights

Reading Club Program continued – RazKids

10 Students and 2 staff attended Everybody has the Right

Staff participated in Big Brother Big Sister Fundraiser – raised \$1 200.00

Report Cards and Parent Teacher Student Conferences 88% attendance rate – Term 2

4 students participated and performed in Quantum, Prairie Theatre Exchange



Submitted by Mulvey School

April 27, 2017



Norquay School



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Leslie Last, Principal

Joanne Sabourin, Vice-Principal

Norquay School`s Inner City March and April Report:

Submitted by: Marlene Wood, Community Support Worker

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- **Breaking the Barriers - Bus Pass Program:** Thank you to St Georges Anglican Church, St John`s High School, Elmwood High School`s SSI program and CIBC for the generous donations and support. Eleven former grade 6 students are receiving bus passes to help with the transition into grade 7.
- **Free Breakfast Program** and a classroom daily snack are provided to all students.
- **Lunch Program** provides milk daily for every student as well as emergency lunches.
- **Birthday Celebrations:** each student receive a book as a gift.
- **Patrol/Leadership Corner:** Students in grades 4 to 6 continue to take part in a leadership capacity by supporting school events and patrolling the crossing areas around the School.
- **Walking School Bus:** Norquay School continues to employ a community member to safely bring the students to and from home. Currently 8 students are a part of this program.
- **Norquay Eagles Soccer Team:** students representing the school at a variety of tournaments.
- **Speed Skating Races:** Eight students participated in the WSD`s 98th speed skating races.
- **Extra- Curricular:** Gym Activities are in full swing for all grades during A.M. & P.M. recess. Lunch time Intramurals take place daily and the students have access to play sports such as volley ball, soccer and dance club. Every Friday staff verses students in a game of dodgeball.
- **Smart Squad:** supports students that are not in the Hockey Hero`s Program with environment change activities, healthy cooking and healthy eating initiatives and field trips.
- **Music Equals Program:** Students performed at the MTP.

Events:

- **Winnipeg Youth Football Club:** Norquay students participate in a flag football program that is in partnership with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, Canadian Tire Jump Start, the U of W and Sports Manitoba
- **Student Led Conferences:** Conferences were held March 16 & 17th. Parents received their child's report card at this time. Parental turnout was a success.
- **Day of Pink** – Along with the Winnipeg School Division on April 12th Norquay celebrated the Anti-Bullying campaign by holding an assembly. Every student and staff were provided a pink T- shirt.
- **Everyone Has the Right:** Students celebrated the year end activity at the Human Rights Museum.
- **Canadian Human Rights Museum:** Grade 5/6 visited CHRM. Fieldtrip sponsored by the Winnipeg Foundation and C.M.H.R.
- **Hockey Hero's:** Students continued to take part in the Hockey Hero's program.
- **Arts-O-Rama:** Norquay's annual ARTS-O-RAMA was celebrated. Students showed off their talents of the arts through dance, drama, music and every student was provided a T-shirt for the event.
- **Monthly Assemblies:** *Honesty and Wisdom was the focus.*
- **Bus Ridership:** Students participated in the month of April.
- **Middle Years School Visits:** Student's visited St Johns and Elmwood High School, preparing for Grade 7.

Family Room Programs: Run from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Monday to Friday

- Community members supported through the family room have access to community resources, internet, employability, education and training opportunities, resume writing support, telephone access, sewing machine, washer/dryer and social/emotional encouragement.
- **"Breaking the Bread"** monthly pot luck also supported by the Boys Girls Club of Winnipeg.
- **March's Parent Gathering** Meeting hosted Sel Burrows, Chair of the Point Douglas Residents Committee and the Point Community News.
- **April's Parent Gathering** Meeting hosted Susan Wehrie, Public Health Nutritionist for the Point Douglas Community Area
- **"Little Red Sprit"- Aboriginal Head Start Program:** Is a community based Early Childhood Education Program. The program provides culture & language, social supports, crafts and parental involvement.
- **"Wiggles Giggles & Munch":** The program supports parents and children to have fun together through active play, songs, games and healthy snacks are provided.
- **"NEAH KEE PAPA":** A Father's program enhancing children's wellbeing and a fathers role as a parent. Sponsored by the Manitoba Metis Federation.
- **"Little Creators" and Tot Program:** A fun filled hands on baking & craft program.
- **Boys & Girls Club of Manitoba.**
- **Eye Examinations** are arranged though the Family Room, Community Support Worker.
- **The Smile Program:** Provides free dental assessments.
- A Community Support Worker is always available to assist our families and Community.

PINKHAM SCHOOL

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WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

Report for Inner City District Advisory Committee

Thursday, April 27, 2017

March/April Highlights...

- We registered our first Syrian Family in April!
- Literacy Intervention Support Teacher is supporting Indigenous students in Grades 2 and 3.
- Hosted our Annual Multicultural Day in March, learning about the cultures within our community and beyond.
- Celebrated learning at Student Led Conferences with our families in March.
- Grade 5/6 students visited the Aviation Museum.
- Nursery/Kindergarten students visited the Childrens' Museum
- Prairie Exotics made a presentation on spiders.
- Gardening Club received a \$500 P.A.W.S. Award from Take Pride Winnipeg at the MTS Centre.
- Celebrated spring with a Family Dance and fundraised for Siloam Mission.
- Dancing learning continues with the RWB in preparation for Sharing Dance in June.
- Soccer, Badminton, Intramurals and Running Clubs are opportunities for our students to be engaged in physical activity before and after school and at lunch time.
- MTYP Performance at Pinkham School.
- Participated in the Winnipeg Harvest Operation Donation Week