



# NEWS RELEASE

## WSD Secretary-Treasurer announces his retirement

**Nov. 17, 2015 (Winnipeg, MB)** – René Appelmans, Secretary-Treasurer for Winnipeg School Division (WSD), has announced his retirement effective January 8, 2016. Mr. Appelmans joined WSD in 2005. He has contributed to the division's sound fiscal stewardship and leadership, responsible management of WSD assets, developing and implementing operational changes to help improve services and establishing sustainable budgets.

"There continue to be exciting challenges and opportunities within WSD, however I'm looking forward to having the time to serve in other capacities and to support younger members of my family achieve their own dreams," René said of his upcoming retirement. "I will, however, miss the many outstanding people I've worked with at Winnipeg School Division."

The Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees thanked Mr. Appelmans for his service during the Nov. 16 regular board meeting.

"The Board highly values Mr. Appelmans' intricate knowledge of our funding model and his financial expertise," said Mark Wasyliw, Board Chair. "His consistent and patient advice has been very helpful to Trustees. We commend him for his long service and dedication to the Winnipeg School Division and his dedication to the students, staff and community. We wish him a wonderful retirement."

-30-

**Contact:**

Radean Carter  
Public Relations Services  
Winnipeg School Division  
(204) 789-0412 Cell: (204) 771-5352  
[rcarter@wsd1.org](mailto:rcarter@wsd1.org)