

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

NORTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS – Tuesday, February 18, 2020

1. TREATY LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Committee members acknowledged that the meeting is being held on Treaty One Land and the Traditional Homeland of the Metis Nation.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Committee members approved the Agenda of February 18, 2020, as distributed.

3. 2020/2021 DRAFT BUDGET

The Secretary-Treasurer was in attendance to provide an overview of the 2020/2021 Draft Budget. Committee members were informed that on January 30, 2020, the Province of Manitoba announced funding for public education. Committee members were informed that the Manitoba government will increase funding for public schools by more than \$6.6 million for the 2020/2021 school year. Committee members were informed that school divisions also raise revenue through local education property taxes. Committee members were informed that the Manitoba government is again requesting that school divisions limit increases to education property taxes to a maximum of two per cent for the 2020/2021 school year.

Committee members were informed that for the 2020/2021 school year, the Board is proposing a stand pat budget which maintains all programs and services in the WSD.

Committee members were informed that student enrollment has decreased by approximately 350 students this year.

4. PROVINCIAL K-12 EDUCATION REVIEW

Committee members were informed that the Commission would be releasing the report to the Minister of Education and Training in February 2020. It is anticipated that the report would be publically released in March 2020, which will include recommendations on the key topic areas identified by the Province. School Boards would not have the ability to provide input on the recommendations and would be obligated to implement the recommendations within the timelines established by the Province. The report and recommendations will be shared with parents indicating the next steps to be in compliance with the direction from the Minister of Education.

5. ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHOOL REPORTS

5.1 School Reports

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

- Lord Nelson School
- Shaughnessy School

6. FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Advisory Reports and Summaries of Discussions

Committee members were informed that at a meeting held December 16, 2019, the Board of Trustees received the North District Advisory Committee Report and Summary of Discussions as information. The Summary of Discussions have been distributed to Committee members the week of December 16th.

Once reviewed by the Board, District Advisory Committee Reports and Summaries of Discussions are posted on the Division's website under the Family and Community tab.

www.winnipegssd.ca/Parents/Parent%20Council/Pages/Default.aspx

7. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next North District Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at Shaughnessy School.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Voting Representatives:

Andrew Mynarski School
Inkster School
École Lansdowne School
Lord Nelson School
Ralph Brown School
Robertson School
Shaughnessy Park School
St. John's School
École Stanley Knowles School

Non-Voting/Resource Members:

Community Support Worker, Shaughnessy Park School
W.A.N.T.E. Representative

Regrets:

Champlain School
Faraday School
Garden Grove School
École Luxton School
Meadows West School
Sisler High School

Administration:

Paul Kochan, Secretary-Treasurer & Chief Financial Officer
Tony Marchione, Acting Director, Technology
Amy Karlinsky, Vice-Principal, Andrew Mynarski School
Angela Perez, Vice-Principal, Isaac Newton School
Mercy Sackey, Vice-Principal, Lord Nelson School
Wendy Verbong, Principal, Ralph Brown School
Jude Guzzi, Principal, Robertson School
Dana Petrzalka, Vice-Principal, Robertson School
Pat Graham, Principal, Shaughnessy Park School
Steve Nikkel, Vice-Principal, Shaughnessy Park School
Ainslie Loria, Vice-Principal, École Stanley Knowles School
Gisele Mospachuk, Principal, Tyndall Park School
Thérèse Deleurme, Recording Secretary, Board of Trustees

Trustees:

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One Big Family



LORD NELSON SCHOOL

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Vice Principal: Mrs. M. Sackey

February 2020

Parent Association Highlights:

- ✓ Friday Pizza and ~~Hot Dog~~ ^{Healthy Hunger} Sales continue and the profit each week averages about \$200.
- ✓ PAC Spring Fundraiser will begin on March 12 and run until March 20. Chocolates will be sold during this time.
- ✓ PAC is fundraising toward an all inclusive and accessible playground addition.

Parent Center Highlights:

- ✓ We offer many activities for families and students! Our families stop by for coffee, to use the phone or computer or borrow a book.
- ✓ Parent sessions offered so far this year are: Grow with Me!, Handle with Care Nutrition Bingo and Positive discipline. Student session offered so far this year are Girls' Club, SPIN Volleyball and SPIN Basketball.

School Highlights:

- ✓ We continue to work on writing as a Regie Routman School. Our focus of learning is the Reading/Writing connection. We have a school wide writing and sharing theme this year which is focused on Truth and Reconciliation. So far, students have learned and shared in an assembly their knowledge about Residential Schools, Preserving Indigenous languages, Indigenous education and employment and Indigenous Leaders in Sport.
- ✓ Students write for many real purposes which are engaging and help our students to become the best writers they can be!
- ✓ I love to Read Month has brought many special guest readers into Lord Nelson such as Councillor Vivian Santos, Councillor Markus Chambers, Firefighter Leigh Gruener and Officer Ryan Wolinski. We also had great performances such as Al Simmons, "Bach to School" from the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and Contemporary Dancers from the Royal Winnipeg Ballet. We read many new books and had great conversations about the books!
- ✓ We are a Lighthouse School offering MANY after school activities for our students! So far this year we have offered Indigenous Culture, Chess Club, Filipino Heritage Classes, U of W SPIN Basketball, Running and Reading Club, Grade 5/6 Choir, Destination Imagination, Empowerment, Science, Percussion Club, Can U and Crafters Corner. Intramurals have included soccer, curling, pinball, cricket, volley ball and speed skating. Our children are engaged and active!
- ✓ Our 5TH ANNUAL HEALTHAPALOOZA IS COMING SOON! This is our student conference with a Healthy Minds focus. In the past, our students have learned to sew, cook, do yoga, practice mindfulness, color, learn about pets, dance, paper quilling, film acting, Claymation, taekwondo, making soap and so much more! This year's Healthapalooza will take place on April 30th as a kick-off to Healthy Minds Week.



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Shaughnessy Park School Report

For the month of November, December, January, February of 2019-2020

November 2019

- On November 8th Shaughnessy School held a community Remembrance Day service.
- First school report cards went home.
- Student led conferences were on November 21 & 22 well attended.
- Zumba for families is every Thursday at 5:30-6:30 in the big gym.
- Whole school play performed by MTYP called Tiny Treasures.
- Parent Centre held 2 workshops in November on age appropriate chores & ready set solo.
- 2 parents attended the lunch program coordinators training.
- Grade 6 Immunizations were done
- Todd Mach Hoop School is every Wednesday.

December 2019

- Our first Family Fun Night was on December 5th the parent centre held pictures with Santa evening, **197** people registered **142** attended.
- Winter concert was December 18th for N-6, Followed by a spring concert in May for gr. 7 & 8 students
- On December 19th the whole school had breakfast with Santa throughout the morning along with a station for participants to join the ugly Christmas sweater contest.
- Pow Wow Club is on Thursdays every lunch hour in the big gym
- Free Zumba for families is every Thursday evening 5:30-6:30 in the big gym
- Filipino Club is every Monday Morning

January 2020

- In the month of January every Tuesday for 5 weeks 1:00-3:00 Traditional Parenting Program
- Every Thursday for 5 weeks 1:00-3:00 A.D.H.D. Strategies for Parents Program.
- Pow Wow Club every Thursday at lunch hour.
- Zumba For Families is every Thursday evening 5:30-6:30 in the big gym.

February 2020

- February is I love to read month with guest readers throughout the month.
- Parent Council is making moccasins for walking school bus fundraiser.
- Completed Traditional Parent Program & A.D.H.D. Strategies in the month of February.
- Job Works Educational Assistant Orientation for parents & school volunteers.
- Pow Wow Club is on Thursdays every lunch hour in the big gym
- Zumba For Families is every Thursday evening 5:30-6:30 in the big gym.