

THE WINNIPEG SCHOOL DIVISION

NORTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS – Tuesday, February 15, 2022

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF CANADA

Committee members were informed that the meeting of the North District Advisory Committee is taking place on Treaty One Land and the traditional homeland of the Red River Métis.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Committee members approved the Agenda of February 15, 2022, as distributed.

3. WSD 2022/2023 DRAFT BUDGET

The Secretary-Treasurer/CFO was in attendance and provided an overview of the Draft Budget for the 2022/2023 school year.

Committee members were informed that last year the Board of Trustees approved the 2021/2022 Budget in the amount of \$421,039,400. Committee members were informed that the Division was forced to make reductions of \$4,457,395 for programs and services due to a drop in provincial funding of 1.6 percent or \$2,926,520. This also included the direction from the provincial government to freeze the property tax levies at 2020 levels.

Committee members were informed the Board of Trustees is proposing a budget of \$437,118,200. Baseline WSD funding has decreased by 1.3 percent, or \$2,325,538, while one-time funding of \$13,217,517 has been provided for next year and property tax levies for education remain frozen at 2020 levels. Committee members were informed that one-time funding for 2022/2023 is intended to cover collective agreement settlements and additional costs related to pandemic staffing. Committee members were informed that the draft budget proposes no additions for 2022/2023 and no further reductions.

Committee members were informed that a large portion of the budget is determined by student enrolment numbers each year. The Province acknowledged that the lower student enrolment was related to the pandemic and implemented a hybrid enrolment calculation that was higher than then actual student enrolment numbers. Committee members were informed that even with the hybrid calculation funding for the division resulted in a 3.14 percent or approximately \$13,700,000 deficit. However, the one-time funding of approximately \$13,000,000 provided by the province, and the elimination of the Full-Day Kindergarten program, provided sufficient funding to offset deficit.

Committee members were informed that although the hybrid enrolment calculation and the one-time funding from the province has assisted in balancing the budget for this year, future budgets are still at risk without additional funding for education.

In response to an enquiry, Committee members were informed that WSD received additional funding to cover COVID related expenses. Last year, WSD received \$12,000,000 and \$6,200,000 this year. The one-time funding was also intended to cover some of the COVID related staffing costs.

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In response to an enquiry, Committee members were informed that the pilot full-day Kindergarten program ended based on the program evaluation results. Committee members were informed that the main goal of the full-day Kindergarten was to identify any gaps in academic performance at an early age. Committee members were informed that in the final year of evaluation, results indicated that there were no significant differences between full-day Kindergarten and half-day Kindergarten students in their social, emotional and academic development.

In response to an enquiry, Committee members were informed that the School Resource Officer (SRO) program will not offered in schools. Committee members were informed that WSD is reviewing other forms of programs in schools. Committee members were informed that other school divisions also removed the SRO program. Committee members were informed that parents may reach out to the Minister of Education and Minister of Justice to request funding for the SRO program.

In response to an enquiry, Committee members were informed that WSD will follow the public health orders and will continue to have meetings with the government and public health officials regarding COVID-19 protocols. Committee members were informed that WSD will continue the school cleaning, sanitizing and physical distancing.

In response to an enquiry, Committee members were informed that due to Manitoba government's decision last December 2021, to leave COVID-19 contact tracing up to individuals, Manitoba Public Health is no longer notifying schools of close contacts to a positive COVID-19 case in schools.

Committee members were informed that the Board of Trustees will be hosting a Special Meeting on February 28, at 7:00 PM to receive feedback and delegations regarding the 2022/2023 Budget. Anyone wishing to provide a delegation would need to register with the Board prior to February 24, 2022

4. ENQUIRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS AND SCHOOL REPORTS

SCHOOL REPORTS

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

- Shaughnessy Park School

5. DISTRICT ADVISORY REPORTS AND SUMMARIES OF DISCUSSIONS

Committee members were informed that at a meeting held December 6, 2021, the Board of Trustees received the Advisory Committee Report and Summary of Discussion as information. Committee members were informed that 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.

<https://www.winnipegdsd.ca/page/9384/parent-council>

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Voting Representatives:

Andrew Mynarski School
Inkster School
Lansdowne School
Meadows West School
Lord Nelson School
Ralph Brown School
Sisler High School
Stanley Knowles School
Waterford Springs School

Regrets:

Champlain School
Faraday School
Garden Grove School
Isaac Newton School
Luxton School
Praire Rose School
Robertson School
St. John's High School
Shaughnessy Park School
Tyndall Park School

Administration:

Fatima Mota, Superintendent
Tony Marchione, Director
Paul Kochan, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
Brenda Lapointe, Board and Community Liaison Officer
Elisa Solomon, Recording Secretary
Cristina Da Mata, Principal Andrew Mynarski School
Paulo Teixeira, Principal Champlain School
Jennifer Cox, Principal Faraday School
Nancy Karpinsky, Principal Garden Grove School
Paul Ong, Vice-Principal Garden Grove School
Trevor MacVicar, Principal Ralph Brown School
Douglas Taylor, Principal St. John's High School
Steven Nikkel, Vice-Principal Shaughnessy Park School
Pat Graham, Principal Sisler High School
Amanda Capina, Vice-Principal Sisler High School
Andrea Powell, Principal Stanley Knowles School

Non-Voting/Resource Members

Employee Group Representative, W.A.N.T.E.
Community Support Worker, Faraday School
Community Support Worker, Champlain School

Trustees:

Linda Schatkowsky
Arlene Reid



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Parent Advisory School Report (September 2021- February 2022)

1. Staff PD:

- September 7
 - All staff at Machray in attendance
 - Review of Covid guidelines/protocols and resulting changes in the building, etc.
 - Review of school preparedness for all levels of Covid response
 - Review Shaughnessy Welcome Back plan for parents
 - Review of Recovery Learning
- September 20
 - In-School – P.D. Day
 - Committee and Grade Group Goal Setting
- October 22
 - M.T.S. – P.D. Day
 - Staff choose a pertinent area of interest and attended a virtual session for the day
- January 21
 - In-School – P.D. Day
 - Numeracy
- February 3
 - In-School – P.D. Day
 - Literacy

2. School Presentations:

Orange Shirt Day

- September 30th
 - School-Wide Paper Moccasin Making Project – In my Footsteps

Remembrance Day

- November 10th
 - You Tube Video Presentation
 - School-Wide
 - Full participation –
 - Piper in the building
 - Acrostic poems – Remembrance and Peace
 - What Peace means to me
 - Reciting of Flanders Fields





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- Student work throughout the building

Winter Holiday Concert

- December 21st
 - You Tube Video Presentation
 - School-Wide

3. School Community-building:

Spirit Week

- October 25th – 29th
 - School-Wide
 - Full participation
 - Different dress up days each day before Halloween
 - Video tour of the school to celebrate as a whole
- December 13th – 22nd
 - School-Wide
 - Full participation
- Breakfast with Santa
 - School-wide
 - Pancake Breakfast
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4. Parent Room

Traditional Parenting

- Five Sessions
- 10 families participating

Zumba

- Whole-community and family
- Every Thursday
- Year-long

5. Community Connections/Support

Parent-Council Meeting

- October 6
- December 8





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Covid Vaccination Clinic

- December 14th – 1:00 – 6:30 pm
- February 16th – 1:00 – 6:30 pm

Christmas Hampers for 10 families

Parent-teacher Conferences

- November 18th and 19th
- March 17th and 18th

6. **Athletics:**

- September 28th
 - Terry Fox Walk
 - Participation in class cohorts
- Lunch-hour intramurals
 - Grade 7/8 students
 - Cohort-based
 - Volleyball and Floor Hockey

7. **Numeracy:**

- Numeracy goals for 2020-21 School year:
 - To continue to develop best numeracy practice through:
 - Further development and use of common math language
 - Continued use of the school Math Wall
 - Student conferencing to set personal math goals

8. **Literacy:**

- Literacy goals for 2020-21 School Year:
 - To continue to develop best literacy practices through:
 - Increased understanding of the new ELA curriculum
 - Developed use of the school Literacy Wall
 - Continued implementation of Levelled Literacy Intervention
 - Showcasing student success through literacy lunches, the writing showcase, and the writing staircase





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9. School Clubs:

Beading club – grade 7 and 8 cohort after school

Chill and Chat – lunch group for students in transitioning guardianship circumstances

Recycling club – every Wednesday picking up school-wide recycling

Girls Group – small group gathering working on relationship building, confidence building, etc.

Chess Club – grade 7 and 8 students over lunch hour

Student Video Club – grade 7 and 8 students over lunch hour

10. Breakfast Program:

- Daily free program, serving approximately 150 students.
- Program runs from 8:15am daily.

11. Fruit Bowl Program:

- Weekly.
- Fruit bowls provided to classrooms to ensure students have access to food.

12. Lunch Program:

- \$30.00 per month
- 40 -50 students in attendance daily.

