



Regular Board Meeting February 5, 2020

Turtle Mountain School Division Board Meeting Highlights

-Numeracy and Career Development Teacher Leader Rick Korman provided Trustees with an update regarding ongoing work in TMSD in relation to strengthening numeracy success, as well as career development efforts which are ongoing throughout the division. Mr. Korman shared data which illustrated the improvements we have seen in numeracy as part of our work with the Manitoba Rural Learning Consortium, as well as student participation in the high school apprenticeship and internship programs.

-An update was provided regarding the application of the TMSD transportation policy and procedures, including the use of privately owned vehicles. Through discussion with Trustees it was confirmed the policy and procedures have been and should continue to be applied as they are currently established. The use of TMSD buses and drivers continues to be the primary means of transporting our students for any school activities.

-Trustees and Senior Administration reviewed a provincial website which has been established to monitor provincial progress in a number of areas, and aligned with the Balanced Scorecard Format which has been adopted provincially. <https://mbmeasuringprogress.ca/quality-of-life/k-12-literacy-index/>

-Trustees received an update on the efforts to recruit for the vacant School Psychologist position, where senior administration is working to secure services for the remainder of the year through private contracting given the lack of applicants for the advertised position.

-An update was shared regarding the ongoing planning for the Wellness Fairs which will occur once again within Boissevain (April 29, 2020) and Killarney Schools (April 22, 2020).

-Trustees received an update regarding student services efforts in to provide support for students with behavioural challenges. As part of this, within TMSD we are working to instill the PBIS (Positive Behavioural Interventions and Supports) model which is very aligned with this work.

-A summary of accounts as well as a projected financial statement were presented for review and discussion.

-Budget deliberations for 2020-2021 continued, with Trustees reviewing the funding which will be received for 2020-2021 as well as potential implications given projected expenses. The budget presentation and a notice of motion will occur on February 19, 2020.

-Trustees passed a motion to approve the second and final readings of a bylaw to approve religious instruction to occur in Killarney School for the remainder of 2019-2020, and in accordance with provincial regulations.

-Trustees approved new Policy K-11, Cellular Phones, in relation to staff who require cell phones as part of their duties.

MISSION STATEMENT

"The students are the focus of all our efforts. The Division strives to provide an education that prepares individuals for a meaningful life in a changing world. We promote a learning environment that begins in the home, continues in the school, and is supported by the community."

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Budget Presentation/
Regular Board Meeting,
February 19, 2020
- Regular Board Meeting,
Budget Vote, March 4,
2020
- March 18, 2020, Regular
Board Meeting
- April 8, 2020, Regular
Board Meeting
- Education-Specific Board
Meeting, Can-Am Colony,
April 22, 2020