



Turtle Mountain School Division Regular Board Meeting Aug. 26 and Sept. 9, 2020

Board Meeting Highlights

- The Board received an update on the new teaching staff hired for 2020-2021.
- The T.M.S.D. Reopening Plan was shared and discussed.
- It was confirmed that all Study Manitoba international student intake is on hold until at least the second semester of 2020-2021.
- T.M.S.D. was successful in securing \$58,425 from the federal Climate Action Incentive Fund. These funds will be used to upgrade windows and doors on the west side of Boissevain School.
- The Board received an enrolment update for 2020-2021.
- The Board received an update with regards to how U.R.I.S. training will occur remotely this year as opposed to in person.
- Work has been done to streamline the student registration form used in the division, the new format will be used going forward.
- T.M.S.D. has as of yet been unsuccessful in recruiting for the vacant School Psychologist position, however we have secured the services of Dr. Jennifer Goertzen to provide services. Dr. Goertzen currently works four days per week in Brandon at C.A.T.C., she will work one day per week in T.M.S.D.
- Guidelines were reviewed which outline protocols for providing for students who require interventions or supports which cannot be delivered from a distance.
- A financial update was provided with the projected surplus for June 2020.
- An update was provided regarding the savings gleaned from the spring of 2020 given COVID-19 circumstances, as well as projected expenses in relation to COVID which will occur in 2020-2021. We must report this monthly to the province so further updates will be forthcoming.
- An update was shared and discussed in relation to preparations which have been made to reopen schools given additional considerations with COVID-19. This included:
 - cleaning protocols in schools
 - meeting distancing requirements when students are at school
 - student access to technology and connectivity when working from home
 - school bus seating plans and cleaning protocols
 - planning for and meeting the needs of students with special needs given COVID-19 considerations
- The Board passed a motion enabling the Killarney Nursery School and Tots of Love Before and After School Daycare to use room 53 in Killarney School for the 2020-2021 school year.
- The Board received an update regarding the new staff orientation which occurred on September 1, 2020 with new teachers, as well as with all Education Assistants on September 4, 2020.
- The annual audit completed by M.N.P. will occur remotely this year, and will be completed by the third week of October.
- The province has requested a report detailing fuel consumption, heat, and water consumption for all division facilities and vehicles. This report is being compiled.
- The Board passed a motion, with an accompanying letter of understanding, agreeing to provide transportation services to Lakeside Christian School for 2020-2021.
- The Board passed a motion to approve the revised Policy A-3 (Organization Chart)

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

- October 14, 2020
- October 28, 2020
- November 10, 2020
- November 25, 2020, Budget Consultation
- December 9, 2020