



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

May 23, 2013

MEMBERSHIP

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Colin Kelly, Official Trustee **Local School Board Chairs**

Julia Cardinal, ADCS
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Stella Noskiye, Chipewyan Lake
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Silas Yellowknee, Desmarais
Murielle L'Hirondelle, East Prairie
Shelley Bartman, Elizabeth
Janet Lynn McDonald, Fort McKay
Ken Shaw, Gift Lake
Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard
Joan Daniels, J.F. Dion
Alice Loftstrom, Janvier
Ken Tupper, Keg River
Dwight Gladue, Little Buffalo
Pam Stigsen, Paddle Prairie
James Alook, Peerless Lake
Jeanne Cardinal, Pelican Mountain
Rachelle McDonald, Susa Creek
Elmer Gullion, Trout Lake
Robin Guild, Wabasca

Advisory Committee

Nora Yellowknee, Bigstone Cree Nation
Jeff Chalifoux, Grouard
Elmer Gullion, Trout Lake
Julia Cardinal, ADCS
Ken Shaw, Gift Lake

Senior Administration

Donna Barrett, Superintendent
Don Tessier, Associate Superintendent
Wes Oginski, Director of Human Resources
Dennis Walsh, Secretary-Treasurer
Bob Friedel, Acting Director of Support Services

Presentations

- ✎ Randy Chernipeski, CTS School/Industry Partnership Administrator, updated the Board on the CTS program and brought along a few items that the students have made: blankets, pajama pants, metal work, and 3D plastic sculptures. CTS Actions and Activity since February:
 - Communication Technology - Digital Photography Kits, Five schools and support for Video Production at one school – Calling Lake, Little Buffalo, Kateri, ADCS, Bill Woodward and video at Mistassiniy school
 - Fabrication – Welding, 3 schools – ADCS, Career Pathways Outreach, Dual Credit Mistassiniy
 - Construction – Building Construction, Tools and Materials, Renovation, 4 schools – Peerless Lake, Mistassiniy building model houses, Outreach doing classroom renovation project at NLC, Little Buffalo small projects to garage renovation
 - Fashion Studies, 2 schools – Susa Creek, ADCS
 - School Visits – All high schools at least once since last presentation, some junior highs, all KTC high schools
 - Teacher Trade Certification, Carpentry – Mike MacArthur and Colin McKay – Mike to Mistassiniy and Colin to Little Buffalo for fall 2013
- ✎ Work with other Organizations:
 - NLC – Dual Credit, TOLKO Steering Committee
 - ADLC – ADCS Pilot online Team Teaching
 - Fort Vermillion SD – learning from their experience
 - Skills Alberta – School visits, KTC, NSD – organized First Nations presenter to majority of schools
 - Provincial Skills Competition - Try a Trade – 3 schools – continue to have more schools participate
 - KTC and OSLI – Working with Paul Neethling and Beverley Barca
 - NAIT, Grant MacEwan, Evaline Charles Academy – contacts for programs, support for our students, designer field trips
 - Alberta Education – CTF Pilot – Career and Technology Foundations, grades 5 – 9 for 2014 pilot 2013, NSD will be involved
 - Dual Credit – how to access recent fund announcement
 - Atoske Action Group – workforce planning for central communities of NSD
- ✎ Michael Flieger, Principal, Athabasca Delta Community School, presented to the Board, Programs and Initiatives at ADCS. They teach the entire child physical, spiritual, emotional and mental. In a commitment to modeling lifelong learning; promoting healthy relationships between home, school and community; in respecting culture and

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- diversity to enrich learning. ADCS have volunteers from different organizations to help with their breakfast program, funded by donations. Once a week they have a hot breakfast. Community members and staff open the gym three evenings a week for students. Every student gets physical activity every day. All students that come to the monthly literacy night get a book to take home. They also have a literacy club after school two days a week. ADCS has made experiential/cultural learning a focus.
- ✂ Geoff Petley-Jones, Principal, Anzac/Bill Woodward School, presented to the Board, Building a stronger community, two schools, one campus. Some of the activities include monthly perfect attendance, lunchbox social, Santa's breakfast, quest theatre, traditional dancers, and around the world – one afternoon each class has a workshop on a country of their choosing and the students rotate around the classes, Christmas concerts, art stations and are working toward future culture camps.
 - ✂ The Board approved the following reports:
 - Superintendent's Report
 - Chairman's Report
 - Secretary-Treasurer's Report
 - Educational Quarterly Report
 - ✂ The Board approved the presentation by the Official Trustee to the Saskatchewan School Boards' Association Meeting: Building Knowledge, Supporting Wellness, Leading Learning on April 11 and 12, 2013 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.
 - ✂ The Board approved housekeeping changes to Procedure 103, Fire Drills.
 - ✂ The Board approved changes to Procedure 424 — Staff Vacations and Holidays.
 - ✂ The Board approved to enter into a one-year contract with Bellamy for the provision of Financial Management software.
 - ✂ The Board authorized the administration to proceed with the issuing of an RFP for the provision of Enterprise Resource Planning Software.
 - ✂ The Board authorized the administration to enter into a contract with SLC Engineering to prepare an RFP to address the heating concerns at ADCS.
 - ✂ Don Tessier, Associate Superintendent, updated the board on the self-paced learning. Don has spoken to Mistassiniy, Calling Lake, Kateri, Peerless Lake, Paddle Prairie, Little Buffalo and ADCS and the next step is to meet with the local school boards and teachers to make sure they understand what the self-paced learning program is.
 - ✂ The Board received as information the School Bus Driver Recruitment and Retention Committee Strategies and request administration to cost out the recommendations and develop a timeline for implementation with the committee.
 - ✂ The Board approved in principal the Draft Maintenance and Repair Program Framework report and direct the administration to work with the advisory committee to conduct further discussions on the recommendations and implement a hiring process.
 - ✂ The Board accepted the Audit Report of the FNMI Review Committee and request the committee to develop an action plan and bring to the advisory committee in June.
 - ✂ The Board received as information, the following:
 - 2013 New Teacher Orientation - "Creating Relationships" - Grouard, Alberta: August 19 - 23, 2013.
 - Boiler replacement at Grouard School.
 - Student Transportation Association of Alberta – letter.
 - School Bus Driver Recruitment & Retention Committee Update (Transportation Committee).
 - FNMI Programming Audit Questionnaire.

Board and Committee Meetings & Advisory Committee Meetings

Jun 18/13	Committee Meetings & Agenda Review
Jun 26/13	Advisory Committee Meeting
Jun 27/13	Board Meeting
Aug 20/13	Committee Meetings & Agenda Review
Aug 28/13	Advisory Committee Meeting
Aug 29/13	Board Meeting

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