

# **Board Highlights**

**Corporate Board Meeting - May 22, 2015** 

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# Student Attendance Presentations – Bishop Routhier School and Conklin Community School.

Implementation of the *Attendance Improvement Initiative* is a priority for Northland School Division. Since the initiative began, schools are moving forward by developing strategic incentives to increase student attendance. The Northland Board witnessed the ongoing work taking place at Bishop Routhier School and Conklin Community School.



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Conklin Cash Credit 22																					
Use this card at the Conklin Store																					
Credits Used																					
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Bishop Routhier School	Conklin Community School							
Bruce Joudrey, Bishop Routhier School	Conklin Community School (CCS) followed							
(BRS) Principal, shared a variety of	suit by sharing what they're doing to							
programs that connect to literacy, health	increase student attendance. Bernard							
and wellness and student/community	Woodfine, Principal, started the							
engagement.	presentation by breaking down average							
	student attendance for Kindergarten –							
Literacy	grade 3, Grades 4-6 and Grades 7-9. The							
	data suggests average student attendance							
Encourage families and community	is in the 90% range. CCS offers a number of							
members to read daily to their	engaging activities for students.							
children.								
Families can accomplish this by	Métis showcase lessons							
utilizing the school library and by	author school tours							
	theatre work							



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taking advantage of the <i>Adopt a</i>	Aboriginal painting lessons						
Book Program.	pottery and music						
The program, which is made	hide tanning						
possible by donations, helps to get	Roots of Empathy						
books into homes.	literacy days.						
Health and Wellness	Students who attendance school regularly are eligible for:						
BRS staff educate parents about							
evening and morning routines.	student of the month						
Parents are asked to check agendas	monthly attendance awards						
for homework and important school	to use their personal Conklin						
messages. This includes preparing	Student Debit Card to purchase						
healthy snacks for their	from the Conklin Attendance Store						
child/children and sending them to							
school with positive thoughts.	Click on the link to view the power point						
	presentation (starting on page 38)						
Student and Community Engagement	http://nsd61.ca/download/32415.						
BRS has developed a number of programs and clubs to reward students who attend school regularly.							
skating program							
<ul> <li>skating program</li> <li>travel club</li> </ul>							
<ul> <li>"Principal for the Day"</li> <li>gift cards</li> </ul>							
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movie passes							
BRS offers Career and Technology							
Foundation courses!							
Home Economics							
Woodworking							
Music class (guitar and fiddle							
lessons)							



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### **Policy 1 Update**

Northland School Division No. 61 (NSD61) is in the process of revising the jurisdictions foundational statements/Policy 1 (Mission, Mandate, Beliefs and Values). The division has been gathering feedback from stakeholders such as parents, Elders, community members, school staff and Local School Board Committees. Policy 1 will be brought back to the June 26<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for first reading. The draft will be sent out to parents, Elders, community members, school staff and Local School staff and Local School School Board Committees.

### First Nations, Métis and Inuit (FNMI) Advisory Meeting Update

Delores Pruden, Director of FNMI Education gave a presentation to the Northland Board on the FNMI Advisory Meeting she attended on March 2, 2015 in Edmonton. Click on the link to view the agenda (starting on page 71) <u>http://nsd61.ca/download/32415</u>.

### **Education Quarterly Report**

The Education Quarterly Report for May 2015 updated the Northland Board on the following topics:

- Divisional Priorities
- Student Attendance
- > Staffing Updates and School Visits by Staff
- School and Division Success Stories

Click on the link to view the report (starting on page 27) <u>http://nsd61.ca/download/32415</u>.



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#### **Finance Quarterly Report**

Trudy Rasmuson, Secretary Treasurer, presented the Finance Quarterly Report for the period ending April 30, 2015. Click on the link to view the report (starting on page 113) <u>http://nsd61.ca/download/32415</u>.

#### **Print, Copy Scan Solution Acceptance**

Xerox is the vendor of choice for Northland School Division No. 61's (NSD61) centralized printing, copying, scanning and faxing project. NSD61 posted a Request for Proposals during the 2013-2014 school year in an effort to move the division to a single vendor. This move overtime will lead to a cost savings for the jurisdiction.

### **Procedure and Policy Approval Highlights**

- Procedure 206 Early Childhood Services Program passes second reading.
- Procedure 437 Northland Board approve amendments to read that School Volunteers must provide Criminal Record Checks.
- Procedure 435 Northland Board approve the changes to Criminal Record Checks.
- Northland Board approved the position of ECS Instructor be eliminated to align with changes in Alberta Childhood Regulations.

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#### **Important Dates to Remember**

#### June 26-27 2015 Board Meeting, Peace River, Alberta

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