



## Northland School Division No.61 Board Highlights

Corporate Board Meeting - April 22-23, 2016

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### Career Pathway School presentation



A success story is taking place at Career Pathways School in Wabasca-Desmarais. Principal Christoph Ruge says the school’s approach is to understand the needs of the students and develop a life plan together. Ruge adds, “We work closely with the parents and community members in creating programs, curriculum and projects for our students. Based off the needs of the individual students; we are able to create a course load that meets their essentials in education for post-secondary or trades work.”

To help them understand students better, Ruge says they have students participate in an intake program, which is designed to help students make better career decisions by identifying strengths and needs. Students who attend Career Pathways School, are asked to sign a contract as a way to show commitment to graduating, regular attendance and obeying the behaviour policy. Ruge says they have seen an impact in attendance due to the economic downturn but added they are scheduled to have 9 students graduate this year. Click on the Board Attachment link to learn more about how subjects are delivered, what courses students are exposed to

and how the school integrates Indigenous language and culture into the curriculum <http://nsd61.ca/download/76087> **(Start on page 2)**.



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## **Facilities Report presentation**



**New Gift Lake School!**

Division Facilities Manager David Cox, Construction Project Foreman Wayne Turpin and HVAC Technician Bob Daly provided the Official Trustee the Facilities Report. The report summarizes how the Facilities Department is moving forward after a review process. The review, conducted by Dave van Tamelen, included recommendations about improving service delivery, restructuring staff, improving communication on status of maintenance requests, reallocating finances and increasing the use of technology. The

department’s report says housing and school maintenance are starting to be separated, a Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) technician has been hired to upgrade and maintain HVAC systems in school facilities, a construction foreman has been hired to oversee construction in school communities and a person has been contracted to help improve maintenance management by integrating Maintenance Connection to its fullest potential.

Turpin says 32 local skilled contractors were involved in projects last year. The department posted an advertisement in all school communities to try and increase that number. The advertisement is available on the [Northland School Division website](http://www.nsd61.ca). The presentation also highlights ongoing and completed work across Northland School Division. Click on the Board Attachment link to view the presentation <http://nsd61.ca/download/76087> **(Start on page 26)**.

## **Draft 2016-2017 Budget**

Secretary Treasurer Trudy Rasmuson presented a 2016-2017 draft budget to the Official Trustee. The final budget will be submitted to Alberta Education June 30<sup>th</sup>. Click on the Board Attachment link to view the presentation <http://nsd61.ca/download/76087> **(Start on page 79)**.



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## **Approved motions**

- The Official Trustee approved revision to Northland School Division Calendar ‘A’ and ‘B’.
- The Official Trustee approved the 2016 New Teacher Orientation. Click on the Board Attachment link to view the presentation <http://nsd61.ca/download/76087> **(Start on page 91)**.
- Changes to Procedure 100 – Safe and Caring Schools passed second reading.
- Changes to Procedure 304 – Student Conduct passed second reading.
- The Official Trustee granted Paraprofessional Education Leave to Rhonda Laboucane for 2016-2017 school year as per Procedure 420.
- The Official Trustee approved job description for First Nations, Métis and Inuit Learner Success.
- The Official Trustee approved job description for Transportation Manager.
- The Official Trustee approved the disposal of housing units #93, #217 and #225 in Wabasca.
- The Official Trustee approved the disposal of central office photocopiers.
- The Official Trustee approved changes to Procedure 501 – Budget Transfers.
- The Official Trustee approved changes to Procedure 502 – Site Based Budgeting.
- The Official Trustee approved changes to Procedure 511 – Bus Rentals.
- The Official Trustee approved changes to Procedure 524 – Investment Procedure.
- Changes to Procedure 526 – Fraud passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading.
- Official Trustee approved the Superintendent’s Report.
- Official Trustee approves the Chairman’s Report.
- Official Trustee approves the Secretary Treasurer’s Report.



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### **Important Dates to Remember**

<b>May 27-28, 2016</b>	<b>Board Meeting, Peace River, Alberta</b>
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