



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

October 9, 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

TO BE HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2019
6:00 P.M. (In-Camera) 7:00 P.M. (Public)

J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA

D. Labossiere
Secretary-Treasurer

AGENDA

1.00 AGENDA/MINUTES:

1.01 Approval of Agenda

1.02 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

- a) Board Meeting, September 23, 2019.
Adopt.

2.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

2.01 Student Issues

- Reports
- Trustee Inquiries

2.02 Personnel Matters

- Reports

- a) Confidential #1 – Personnel Report.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.03 Property Matters/Tenders

- Reports
- Trustee Inquiries

2.04 Board Operations

- Reports
- Trustee Inquiries

3.00 PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

3.01 Presentations for Information

Ms. Cynthia Kelly, Teacher, and students, King George School, presenting on and displaying artwork they have been creating in their classroom.

3.02 Communications for Information

3.03 Communications for Action

- a) Correspondence from the 2019 Poppy Committee, The Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch #003, September 20, 2019, advising that the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #003 will once again be holding a Remembrance Day service on November 11, 2019 at Westoba Place, Keystone Centre. They ask that all wreath layers arrive around 10:00 a.m. and make themselves known to a member of the Legion who will usher them to their place. The suggested donation price for laying a wreath remains at \$25.00. A response is requested by November 5, 2019. (Appendix 'A')
Refer Business Arising.

4.00 REPORT OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

- From Report of Senior Administration

- a) Review Report of Senior Administration – October 15, 2019.

5.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS

5.01 Reports of Committees

- a) Education and Community Relations K. Fallis
- b) Joint Meeting – City of Brandon/Brandon School Division L. Ross

5.02 Delegations and Petitions (Max. 15 minutes)

5.03 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation
- From Board Agenda

- a) Correspondence from the 2019 Poppy Committee, The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #003, from Communications for Action 3.03 a), noting The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #003 will once again be holding a Remembrance Day Service on November 11, 2019 at Westoba Place, Keystone Centre and asking for wreath layers to arrive around 10:00 a.m.

- MSBA Issues

- a) E-bulletin September 25, 2019 (Appendix 'B')

5.04 Public Inquiries (Max. 15 Mins)

5.05 Motions

5.06 Bylaws

By-Law 9/2019

2nd Reading:

That By-Law 9/2019 being a by-law to regulate the proceedings of the Board of Trustees of the Brandon School Division and repealing By-Law 13/2017 passed on January 8, 2018, be now read for the second time, having been first read on September 23, 2019.

By-Law 10/2019

1st Reading:

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<u>School</u>	<u>Project</u>
École Harrison	Steam Heating System Replacement
Linden Lanes School	Grooming Room Renovation
Maryland Park School	New K-8 School
École New Era School	Steam Unit Ventilator Replacement
Riverheights School	Roof Replacement

be now read for the first time.

5.07 Giving of Notice

- a) I hereby give notice that at the next Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, I, or someone in my stead, will introduce By-law 11/2019, for the purpose of borrowing to meet partial costs for various construction projects in the Division.

5.08 Trustee Inquiries

6.00 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting – 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 22, 2019, Boardroom.
- b) Finance and Facilities Committee – Stakeholder Meeting with Employee Groups – 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 22, 2019, Boardroom.
- c) Brandon and Community Drug and Alcohol Education Coalition – 9:00 a.m., Thursday, October 24, 2019, Boardroom.
- d) Personnel and Policy Committee Meeting – 1:00 p.m., Thursday, October 24, 2019, Boardroom.

- e) Finance and Facilities Committee – Stakeholder Meeting with Parent Council Representatives – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 24, 2019, Boardroom.
- f) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 7:00 p.m. (Public), Monday, October 28, 2019, Boardroom.

7.00 ADJOURNMENT



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD IN THE J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA, AT 7:00 P.M. (Public), MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019.

PRESENT:

Dr. L. Ross, Chairperson, Ms. S. Bambridge, Vice-Chairperson, Mr. P. Bartlette, Ms. D. Kejick, Ms. L. Letain, Mr. S. Montague, Mr. J. Murray.

Mr. D. Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer, Ms. B. Sangster, Recording Secretary, Ms. T. Curtis, Live Streaming Video Operator.

Senior Administration: Dr. M. Casavant, Superintendent/CEO, Mr. M. Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. E. McFadzen, Assistant Superintendent.

REGRETS:

Ms. K. Fallis.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1.00 AGENDA/MINUTES:

1.01 Approval of Agenda

Senior Administration added seven (7) In-Camera items to the agenda.

Trustee Ross added two (2) items for In-Camera.

Mr. Murray – Ms. Bambridge
That the agenda be approved as amended.
Carried.

1.02 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a) The Minutes of the Inaugural Board Meeting held September 9, 2019 were circulated.

Mr. Bartlette – Mr. Murray
That the Minutes be approved.
Carried.

- b) The Minutes of the Board Meeting held September 9, 2019 were circulated.

Mr. Bartlette – Mr. Murray
That the Minutes be approved.
Carried.

Ms. Bambridge – Ms. Letain
That the Board do now resolve into Committee of the Whole In-Camera. (6:03 p.m.)
Carried.

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

2.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION:

2.01 Student Issues

- Reports

- a) Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer, provided information on a Student Matter.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.02 Personnel Matters

- Reports

- a) Confidential #1 – Personnel Report was presented.
b) The Secretary-Treasurer, provided an update on two (2) Personnel Matters.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.03 Property Matters/Tenders

- Reports

- a) The Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent, provided an update on a Property Matter.

- Trustee Inquiries

2.04 Board Operations

- Reports

- a) The Secretary-Treasurer provided information on a Board Operations Matter and answered Trustee questions.
b) Dr. Marc Casavant, Superintendent/CEO, received Trustee feedback on a Board Operations Matter.
c) Trustee Ross and the Superintendent/CEO spoke on a Board Operations Matter and received feedback from the Board.
d) Trustee Ross discussed two (2) Board Operations Matters with Trustees and received Board direction.

- Trustee Inquiries

Ms. Letain – Ms. Kejick
That the Committee of the Whole In-Camera do now resolve into Board. (6:40 p.m.)
Carried.

The Chairperson called the public portion of the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. with a traditional heritage acknowledgement and welcomed everyone in attendance.

3.00 PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

3.01 Presentations For Information

3.02 Communications For Information

3.03 Communications For Action

4.00 REPORT OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

The Superintendent/CEO provided highlights on the following items from the September 23, 2019 Report of Senior Administration:

- Celebrations
 - Indigenous Awareness & Education Week – September 30 to October 4, 2019
 - Trade, Exploration Partnership with Sioux Valley
- Information Items
 - Manitoba Education and Training Correspondence
 - Proclamation from Honourable Kelvin Goertzen: School Support Staff Recognition Week – September 23 – 27, 2019
- Presentations
 - Continuous Improvement at École secondaire Neelin High School – K. Seekings, Deidre Gregory
 - Indigenous Elder Update – K. Tacan
 - Indigenous Education Learning Specialist
 - Graduation Rate Report – M. Gustafson, M. Wilson

Trustees asked questions for clarification. Trustee Ross thanked everyone for their presentations.

Ms. Bambridge – Mr. Bartlette

That the September 23, 2019 Report of Senior Administration be received and filed.

Carried.

5.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS

5.01 Reports of Committees

- a) Education and Community Relations Committee Meeting
The written report of the Education and Community Relations Committee meeting held on September 9, 2019 was circulated.

Mr. Bartlette – Ms. Bambridge

That the Report be received and filed.

Carried.

- b) Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting
The written report of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on September 17, 2019 was circulated.

The Secretary-Treasurer advised that since the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting, Public Schools' Finance Board (PSFB) informed the Division that they will not be approving

any of the Division's capital reserve requests. Therefore, based on the new information, it was recommended that the motions for capital reserves (except for buses) be amended to designate funds through the accumulated surplus for the projects.

Trustee Ross asked what rationale the Province provided for not allowing the Division to establish these reserves. Mr. Labossiere responded that he had not received any rationale for this decision.

Trustee Ross suggested that the Division forward a letter to the Minister of Education requesting rationale and pointing out the difficulty that this lack of response creates for the Division.

Trustee Bambridge asked if this is a new practice, or if this has occurred in the past. Mr. Labossiere responded that this is the first time all requests have been denied. Trustees agreed that a letter should be sent to the Minister. Trustees requested a meeting with the Minister of Education to discuss concerns, and also requested a meeting with local MLAs.

Mr. Montague – Mr. Murray
That the Report be received and filed.
Carried.

5.02 Delegations and Petitions

5.03 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation
- From Board Agenda
- MSBA Matters

- a) Call for Nominations and Resolutions
- b) Ebulletin September 11, 2019
- c) Call for Presentations – Canadian School Boards Association (CSBA) Congress 2020
- d) Provincial Executive – September 2019 Meeting Highlights

Discussion took place regarding the MSBA 2020 Annual Convention Call for Nominations and Resolutions, and CSBA Call for Presentations.

Trustee Ross suggested that the Division's achievement data, which the Board has seen recently, accompanied by explanation of the kinds of interventions that have been going on in the Division, would be an excellent presentation.

Trustee Bambridge suggested that work the Division is doing regarding reconciliation could be a presentation for MSBA and/or CSBA.

5.04 Public Inquiries (max. 15 minutes)

5.05 Motions

- 64/2019 Ms. Bambridge – Ms. Letain
That Board Policy 5 – “Annual Planning Cycle” be rescinded and replaced with updated Policy 5 – “Annual Planning Cycle”.
Carried.

The Secretary-Treasurer clarified that several of the motions on the agenda were amended with updated information, given the correspondence received from PSFB.

65/2019 Mr. Montague – Mr. Murray

That the amount of \$295,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the Vincent Massey Fitness Studio Project to address the construction repairs needed to meet curriculum requirements, safety and accessibility.

Carried.

66/2019 Mr. Murray – Mr. Montague

That the amount of \$176,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) Phone System Project for the replacement of aging VOIP servers and gateway equipment.

Carried.

67/2019 Mr. Montague – Mr. Murray

That the amount of \$339,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the Security Cameras System Upgrade Project for the replacement/upgrade of security cameras.

Carried.

68/2019 Mr. Murray – Mr. Montague

That the amount of \$225,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the Computer Network Infrastructure Project for the replacement of wireless networking equipment.

Carried.

69/2019 Ms. Bambridge – Ms. Kejick

That the amount of \$489,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to a Lighting Retrofit Project for the facility lighting upgrades at Crocus Plains, Earl Oxford and George Fitton.

Carried.

70/2019 Ms. Kejick – Ms. Letain

That the amount of \$173,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to an Outdoor Basketball Backstop Project for the replacement of outdoor basketball backstops.

Carried.

71/2019 Ms. Letain – Ms. Kejick

That the amount of \$533,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to a School Paging Systems Project for the replacement of school paging systems at Neelin, Linden Lanes, JR Reid, Meadows and O'Kelly.

Carried.

72/2019 Mr. Montague – Mr. Murray

That the amount of \$600,000 from the Operating Fund Accumulated Surplus be allocated to the School Bus Capital Reserve Fund for future replacement and expansion of the school bus fleet.

Carried.

5.06 Bylaws

Mr. Bartlette
By-Law 8/2019

2nd Reading:

That By-law 8/2019, being a borrowing by-law in the amount of \$2,369,300 upon the credit of the Division by the issue and sale of the security to meet partial costs for construction of:

School**Project**

Earl Oxford School

One Modular Classroom Unit

École Harrison

Steam Heating System Replacement

Linden Lanes School

Grooming Room Renovation

Maryland Park School

New K-8 School

École New Era School

Grooming Room and Exterior Ramp

École New Era School

Steam Unit Ventilator Replacement

be now read for the second time, having been first read on September 9, 2019.

Carried.

3rd Reading:

That the rules be suspended and By-Law 8/2019 be now read for a third and final time, and taken as read, finally passed.

Carried.

Mr. Bartlette
By-Law 9/2019

1st Reading:

That By-Law 9/2019 being a by-law to regulate the proceedings of the Board of Trustees of the Brandon School Division and repealing By-Law 13/2017 passed on January 8, 2018, be now read for the first time.

Carried.

5.07 Giving of Notice

Mr. Murray

I hereby give notice that at the next Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, I, or someone in my stead, will introduce By-law 10/2019, for the purpose of borrowing to meet partial costs for various construction projects in the Division.

5.08 Trustee Inquiries**6.00 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a) Education and Community Relations Committee Meeting – 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 25, 2019, Boardroom.
- b) Tipi Installation – 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2019, Division Administration Office.
- c) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING – 7:00 p.m. (Public), Tuesday, October 15, 2019, Boardroom.

7.00 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Murray – Ms. Kejick

That the Board do now adjourn. (8:58 p.m.)

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer



The Royal Canadian Legion

Brandon Branch No. 3

560 - 13th Street East, Brandon MB R7A 7C1

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Appendix 'A'

September 20, 2019

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch #003 will once again be holding the annual **Remembrance Day Service** on **November 11, 2019** at Westoba Place, Keystone Centre,

We ask that all wreath layers arrive around 10:00 a.m. There is no reserved seating except for **the one person** who will be placing the wreath on behalf of your organization. Please, upon arrival have them make themselves known to a member of the Legion who will usher them to their place.

Please reply by November 5, 2019. You may email the Poppy Campaign Office at Office.Admin@rclbrandon003.com or phone (204) 728-5026 Monday through Friday to confirm your attendance. We no longer name individuals who place the wreath – only the organization on whose behalf the wreath is being placed as there are too many changes at the last moment and no way to adjust the program once it has been printed. We have found this procedure enhances and streamlines the ceremony.

As in previous years, please submit your \$25.00 donation to the Branch #003 Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund at your earliest convenience. We will have sufficient wreaths available on site that morning for all who have confirmed their attendance.

The usual lunch will be held in our banquet hall and clubroom following the service and you are cordially invited to attend. Many thanks for your early reply.

Yours Sincerely,

2019 Poppy Committee



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Report of Senior Administration to the Board of Trustees

October 15, 2019

A. Administrative Information

I. CELEBRATIONS

1. BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EVENT

On September 9 – 10, 2019, Brandon School Division hosted a Solution Tree professional development event. The Early and Middle Years stream focused on *Professional Learning Communities at Work™*; the Senior Years stream focused on *Taking Action, Enhancing Learning for All*. More than 1000 Brandon School Division Teachers and Education Assistants participated. Brandon School Division was pleased to have Teachers and Education Assistants from Sioux Valley Education Authority join us at this event.

2. INDIGENOUS AWARENESS AND EDUCATION WEEK – SEPTEMBER 30 – OCTOBER 4, 2019 (VIDEO)

Many events took place at schools and work sites across Brandon School Division to recognize Indigenous Awareness and Education Week. A highlight of the week was the official installation of a permanent tipi at the Brandon School Division Administration Office.

The following BSD staff participated on a committee to organize themes for each day: Sherry Baker, Amie Martin, Amanda Burtnack, Bonnie Alston, Lynn Nicol, Sheryl Playford, and Laura Moar.

“Accepting the Challenge”

II. STATISTICAL INFORMATION

1. SEPTEMBER ENROLMENT REPORTING

Enrollment Reporting as of September 30, 2019

<u>School</u>	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Elementary Schools	6,091	6,123
High Schools	2,946	2,879
Total	9,037	9,002

III. COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The following community connections were made by Dr. Casavant, Superintendent/CEO from September 18, 2019 to October 8, 2019.

- September 19, 2019 – meeting with Don Cuggy
- September 19, 2019 – meeting with Candace Turchinski and Michael McCormack, MNP
- September 19, 2019 – Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples Council meeting
- September 23, 2019 – meeting with Kevin Tacan, Indigenous Elder
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Administration Office staff re: Indigenous Awareness and Education Week
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Jaime Lombaert, School Leader, Kirkcaldy Heights School
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Blaine Aston, School Leader, Betty Gibson School
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Chad Cobbe, School Leader, Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Robert Tomlinson, School Leader, Earl Oxford School
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Bradley Twordik, School Leader, George Fitton School
- September 24, 2019 – meeting with Marcy Thomson, School Leader, École O’Kelly School
- September 25, 2019 – meeting with Brandon Chamber of Commerce
- September 25, 2019 – World Café meeting
- September 26, 2019 – meeting with Cale Dunbar, President, Brandon Teachers’ Association
- September 26, 2019 – meeting with Rod Sage, City Manager/ Chief Administrative Officer, City of Brandon

- September 27, 2019 – school supply donation received from Beta Sigma Phi XI Zeta Chapter
- September 27, 2019 – school visit and meeting with School Leader – Linden Lanes School
- September 27, 2019 – school visit and meeting with School Leader – King George School
- September 30, 2019 – meeting with Cale Dunbar, President, Brandon Teachers' Association
- September 30, 2019 – meeting with Barbara Miller, School Leader, Maryland Park School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Kristy Hutsal, School Leader, Betty Gibson School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Veronica M. Adams, School Leader, Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Marty Jordan, School Leader, Earl Oxford School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Nicole Koroluk, School Leader, Kirkcaldy Heights School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Dave Lim, School Leader, Meadows School
- October 1, 2019 – meeting with Lindsay Filewich, School Leader, Alexander School
- October 2, 2019 – Atrieve meeting
- October 2, 2019 – Tipi Installation/Celebration Ceremony, BSD Administration Office
- October 3, 2019 – Community Mobilization (HUB) Committee meeting
- October 3, 2019 – Brandon University – Indigenous Education Senate Sub Committee meeting
- October 3, 2019 – Career Connections presentation on mental health
- October 4, 2019 – Meeting with Cale Dunbar, President, Brandon Teachers' Association
- October 4, 2019 – Manitoba Association of School Superintendents (MASS) Indigenous Education Committee meeting
- October 4, 2019 – wrap-up meeting with Administration Office staff re: Indigenous Awareness and Education Week
- October 7, 2019 – visit to Sioux Valley Dakota Nation
- October 7, 2019 – meeting with IBM K-12 Education
- October 8, 2019 – meeting with Shelley Cords, School Leader, Green Acres School
- October 8, 2019 – meeting with Michael Kendzierski, School Leader, King George School
- October 8, 2019 – meeting with Sherry Baker, School Leader, George Fitton School
- October 8, 2019 – meeting with Angela Voutier, School Leader, Linden Lanes School

IV. SUSPENSIONS

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NO./STUDENT</u>	<u>NO./DAYS</u>	<u>REASON</u>
High Schools	33 total	2 – 3 day 1 – 3 day 21 – 3 day 1 – 4 day 4 – 5 day 2 – 5 day 1 – 5 day 1 – 10 day	Drug and Alcohol AP Assaultive Behaviour Unacceptable Behaviour (9 vaping) Assaultive Behaviour Drug and Alcohol AP Assaultive Behaviour Unacceptable Behaviour Weapons

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. MANITOBA EDUCATION AND TRAINING CORRESPONDENCE

LETTER FROM HONOURABLE KELVIN GOERTZEN, MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

For Information Dr. Casavant

Correspondence was received from Honourable Kelvin Goertzen, Minister of Education and Training, regarding Manitoba’s Excellence in Education Awards. The awards highlight the remarkable contribution of educators whose stimulating educational practices have a profound impact on both student learning and engagement. The award categories are as follows: Teaching Excellence, Outstanding New Teacher, Outstanding Team Collaboration, Outstanding School Leader, and the Premier’s Award for Excellence in Education. The deadline for submission of nominations is December 2, 2019.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

1. CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT AT VALLEYVIEW CENTENNIAL SCHOOL

For Information S. Harrison

Sandy Harrison, Principal, Valleyview Centennial School, will provide an update on Continuous Improvement initiatives in progress at Valleyview Centennial School.

2. MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

For Information B. Ewasiuk

Brent Ewasiuk, Director, Management and Information Systems Technology (MIST), will provide an update on the MIST 8-year work plan, as well as a MIST update in relation to the Brandon School Division Continuous Improvement Plan.

B. Business Arising for Board Action

I. INFORMATION FOR DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. PERSONNEL REPORT

For Information Y. Otukoya

Included in the agenda package as Confidential #1 is the Personnel Report, a listing of resignations and employment approved by the Superintendent/CEO and Secretary-Treasurer since the last meeting.

II. SENIOR ADMINISTRATION RESPONSE TO TRUSTEE INQUIRIES

This report from members of the Brandon School Division Senior Administration is submitted respectfully for your consideration, action, and information.

**Dr. Marc D. Casavant
Superintendent/Chief Executive Officer**



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Education and Community

Relations Committee Minutes

Wednesday, September 25, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.

Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: K. Fallis (Chair), D. Kejick, L. Letain
M. Casavant

Guest: Audrey Cook, Verna DeMontigny, G. Masse, K. Tacan

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Education and Community Relations Committee Meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Acting Committee Chair Dr. Marc Casavant, Superintendent/CEO.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR

It was agreed that Trustee Kim Fallis would serve as Committee Chairperson for 2019-2020.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

4. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Minutes of the September 9, 2019 meeting were received as information.

5. Meeting Dates for 2019-2020 (Quarterly)

The Superintendent/CEO requested that the November 20, 2019 meeting be cancelled and that the Committee meet again in early 2020. The Committee agreed to this change.

6. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

7. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

A) Indigenous Awareness and Education Week

The Superintendent/CEO reviewed the Division's schedule of events for Indigenous Awareness and Education Week, taking place from September 30 to October 4, 2019. He added the Tipi Tour would also be part of this week, with the ceremony for the Tipi Installation at the Division Administration Office taking place on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Casavant asked the Indigenous Teachers to say a few words on language at the Tipi installation ceremony, noting that the Tipi message is around Indigenous language and the importance of language. All three teachers indicated they would like to speak and will look at their availability for that day.

The Agenda for the Ceremony was provided:

- Jason Gobeil & Frank Tacan – Pipe/Smudging Ceremony, history/background, blessings

- Kevin Tacan, Indigenous Elder – Prayer
- Trustee Sherilyn Bambridge – Greetings from the Board of Trustees
- Indigenous Language Teachers – Sharing language messages
- Sherry Baker and George Fitton students – Speaking on the importance of Indigenous language

B) Sub-Committee Reports

- Brandon Community Drug and Alcohol Education Coalition – NIL
- Brandon Urban Aboriginal People’s Council – NIL
- Friends of Education Fund – NIL
- Parent/Guardian/Division – NIL

8. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

9. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: TBD.

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

K. Fallis (Chair)

D. Kejick

L. Letain

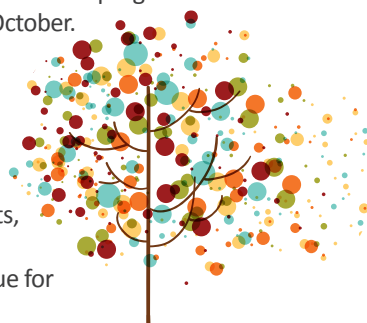
P. Bartlette (Alternate)



FALL MEETINGS

The registration package for our fall professional development day and general/regional meetings will be distributed in today's divisional mail. Friday, November 22, will be comprised of a series of plenary and workshop sessions on current and emerging issues of significance to school boards. Today's package includes general information about sessions that have been confirmed to date. More are being added, and a detailed program with full descriptions will be distributed in October.

November 23, which includes both general and regional meeting components, is dedicated to association business, including a report from the President, presentation of financial statements, nominations and resolutions. The Victoria Inn in Winnipeg is the venue for this event.



CSBA CONGRESS AND NATIONAL TRUSTEE GATHERING ON INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

Planning is already well underway for the 2020 CSBA Congress and National Trustee Gathering on Indigenous Education, July 2 to 5 in Banff, Alberta. The theme for this event will be Standing Stronger Together. Confirmed speakers include Lieutenant-General The Honourable Roméo Dallaire and educational change and leadership expert Andy Hargreaves. The Alberta School Boards Association, host organization of the 2020 event, is currently seeking [session proposals](#) for the Congress and Gathering. Specific areas of interest

Standing Stronger Together
Soyons Plus Fort Ensemble

include student health and wellness, educational governance and leadership, and connecting research, policy and practice. The deadline for receipt of proposals is October 11.



Event registration will open once details are finalized, but [accommodations](#) may be booked now by following the online links and instructions.

ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS UPDATE

The development of standards under *The Accessibility for Manitobans Act* is continuing, with the final two standards currently under discussion and review by the Accessibility Advisory Council. The Council has posted its draft accessibility standards on [Information and Communication](#), and held a public forum on the scope and intent of the accessibility standard for the [design of public spaces](#). Information about the legislation and already-adopted standards may be accessed through the [Accessibility Manitoba website](#). We'll keep you advised of further developments as they are known.

BREAK THE FAKE!

It can be tough to tell what's true and what's "fake news" just by looking at a headline, but it's easy to do a quick check and get the real facts when something doesn't look right online. That's the premise behind this year's [Media Literacy Week](#) (October 7 to 11), sponsored by [Media Smarts](#). The goal is to help Canadians (and especially young people) Break the Fake by stopping the spread of false information and getting people to check before sharing. To help in this regard, Media Smarts has developed Break the Fake resources, including [fact-checking tip sheets](#) and [lesson plans](#) for educators.



NATIONAL CENTRE FOR COLLABORATION IN INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

With Orange Shirt Day just around the corner, now would be a great time to check out the [National Centre for Collaboration in Indigenous Education](#) website. The Centre is hosted by First Nations University of Canada. It is grounded in principles of respect, reciprocity, and relationship, which are understood in Indigenous ways and honoured according to Indigenous protocols and customs. In accordance with its mission, the Centre highlights innovative and exciting examples of Indigenous education from across the country and facilitates collaborative networking. The website includes materials on Indigenous languages (including audio), a resource library, a section dedicated to reconciliation, and more.



INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

The National Centre for Collaboration

MEMBER SURVEY

Just a reminder that our quadrennial membership satisfaction survey is now underway. Invitations to participate and survey links were sent to all board chairs, secretary-treasurers and superintendents last week by Executive Director Josh Watt. Please complete this survey at your earliest convenience, and help us better serve Manitoba's school boards.



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