



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

May 21, 2021

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

TO BE HELD TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2021
6:00 P.M. (In-Camera) 7:30 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, May 10, 2021.
Adopt.

2.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION

2.01 Student Issues

- Reports
- Trustee Inquiries

2.02 Personnel Matters

- Reports

- a) Staffing Activity 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

3.02 Communications for Information

3.03 Communications for Action

- a) Carol Gyselman, Recording Secretary, CUPE Local 737, May 11, 2021, addressed to Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer, requesting permission for Jamie Rose, School Bus Driver/Utility Worker, Maintenance and Transportation, to be absent from his workplace three days per week from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. CUPE Local 737 will reimburse the Brandon School Division for loss of wages, benefits, etc. (Appendix 'A')

Refer Motions.

4.00 REPORT OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

- From Report of Senior Administration

- a) Review Report of Senior Administration – May 25, 2021.

5.00 GOVERNANCE MATTERS

5.01 Reports of Committees

- a) Committee of the Whole:
 - Education and Community Relations
 - Finance and Facilities
- L. Letain
L. Ross

5.02 Delegations and Petitions (Max. 15 minutes)

5.03 Business Arising

- From Previous Delegation
- From Board Agenda

- MSBA Issues

- a) e-bulletin – May 19, 2021 (Appendix

5.04 'B') Public Inquiries (Max. 15 Mins)

5.05 Motions

- 29/2021 That the request of CUPE Local 737, that the President of the Association, Mr. Jamie Rose, be seconded from the Division in the 2021-2022 school year for three (3) days per week from September 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 for union purposes as per Article 18.04 (a) of the Collective Agreement be approved, subject to the Division being

reimbursed by the Association for all salary and benefit costs for the period of the secondment.

5.06 Bylaws

By-Law 1/2021

2nd Reading

That By-law 1/2021 being a by-law providing for the borrowing of moneys upon the credit of the said School Division to meet current expenses for the fiscal year, July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 be now read for a second time, having been first read on May 10, 2021.

5.07 Giving of Notice

5.08 Trustee Inquiries

6.00 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – 7:30 p.m. (public), Monday, June 14, 2021, Boardroom.

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7.00 ADJOURNMENT



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING/COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION, HELD IN THE J. L. MILNE BOARDROOM, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 1031 - 6TH STREET, BRANDON, MANITOBA, AT 6:00 P.M., MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

L. Ross, Chairperson	
S. Bambridge, Vice-Chairperson	
C. Ekenna (exited at 7:26 p.m.)	K. Fallis
B. Foley	J. Gobeil
D. Kejick	L. Letain
J. Murray	

ALSO PRESENT:

D. Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer
M. Gustafson, Acting Superintendent/CEO
E. McFadzen, Assistant Superintendent
B. Sangster, Recording Secretary
T. Curtis, Live Streaming Video Operator

The Chairperson called the In-Camera portion of the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

AGENDA

1.00 AGENDA/MINUTES:

1.01 Approval of Agenda

Senior Administration added three (3) items for In-Camera.

Trustee Ross added one (1) item for In-Camera.

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

1.02 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a) The Minutes of the Board Meeting held April 26, 2021 were circulated.
Mr. Foley – Ms. Bambridge
That the Minutes be approved as circulated.
Carried.

Mr. Ekenna – Ms. Letain
That the Board do now resolve into Committee of the Whole In-Camera. (6:06 p.m.)
Carried.

2.00 IN CAMERA DISCUSSION (COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE):**2.01 Student Issues****- Reports**

- a) Mr. Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / CEO, provided an update on a Student Matter and answered Trustee questions.

- Trustee Inquiries**2.02 Personnel Matters****- Reports**

- a) The A/Superintendent / CEO provided an update on a Personnel Matter and received feedback from the Board.
- b) The A/Superintendent / CEO and Secretary-Treasurer provided information on one (1) Personnel Matter and answered Trustee questions.

- Trustee Inquiries**2.03 Property Matters/Tenders****- Reports****- Trustee Inquiries****2.04 Board Operations****- Reports****- Trustee Inquiries**

Ms. Letain – Ms. Kejick

That the Committee of the Whole In-Camera do now resolve into Board. (7:22 p.m.)

Carried.

The Chairperson called the Public portion of the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. with a traditional heritage acknowledgement.

3.00 PRESENTATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**3.01 Presentations For Information****3.02 Communications For Information****3.03 Communications For Action**

- a) Sheri Bailey, Executive Assistant, Brandon Teachers' Association, April 23, 2021, addressed to Mr. Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / CEO, advising that Mr. Cale Dunbar has been acclaimed as the President of the Brandon Teachers' Association (BTA) for the term beginning July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022. The BTA formally requests that Mr. Dunbar be seconded full-time, with salary and benefits to be paid by the Association.

Referred motions.

4.00 REPORT OF SENIOR ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / CEO, provided highlights on the following items from the May 10, 2021 Report of Senior Administration:

- Administrative Information
 - Celebrations
 - 2021 Teacher Driver Award – Darren Duncalfe, Teacher at Vincent Massey High School
 - Information Items
 - Manitoba Education Correspondence
 - Music Month in Manitoba
- Business Arising for Board Action
 - Information for Discussion and Correspondence
 - Prairie Mountain Health Agreement – Occupational Therapy Services
 - Prairie Mountain Health Agreement – Speech Language Services

Ms. Bambridge – Mr. Murray

That the May 10, 2021 Report of Senior Administration be received and filed.

Carried.

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- From Previous Delegation
- From Board Agenda
- MSBA Matters

5.04 Public Inquiries (max. 15 minutes)

5.05 Motions

24/2021 Mr. Foley – Ms. Letain

That the request of the Brandon Teachers' Association, that the President of the Association, Mr. Cale Dunbar, be seconded from the Division from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 on a full-time basis be approved, subject to the Division being reimbursed by the Association for all salary and benefit costs for the period of the secondment and that the terms and conditions of this leave of absence are in accordance with Article 17.02 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Carried.

25/2021 Mr. Gobeil – Ms. Bambridge

That the Service Purchase Agreement between Prairie Mountain Health and Brandon School Division for the purchase of Occupational Therapy services effective April 1, 2021 be approved; and that the Chairperson and Secretary-Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to affix their signatures and the seal of the Division thereto.

Carried.

26/2021 Mr. Murray – Ms. Kejick
That the Service Purchase Agreement between Prairie Mountain Health and Brandon School Division for the purchase of Speech Language services effective April 1, 2021 be approved; and that the Chairperson and Secretary-Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to affix their signatures and the seal of the Division thereto.

Carried.

Late Motion:

27/2021 Mr. Gobeil – Ms. Letain
That the Tender from Big Sky Enterprises in the amount of \$120,603 (including taxes) to replace the Gym Floor at Meadows School of which \$100,000 is to be funded through the Expanded Capital Support Program from the Province and \$20,603 through the 2021-2022 Operating Budget, be accepted.

Carried.

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Ms. Fallis
By-Law 1/2021

1st Reading

That By-law 1/2021 being a by-law providing for the borrowing of moneys upon the credit of the said School Division to meet current expenses for the fiscal year, July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 be now read for a first time.

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Ms. Fallis - Ms. Letain

That the Board do now resolve into Committee of the Whole In-Camera. (7:45 p.m.)

Carried.

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA (7:46 p.m.)

- a) Trustee Ross and the Secretary-Treasurer reviewed a Personnel Matter and received direction from the Board.
- b) Trustee Ross presented Confidential Report No. 2 and answered Trustee questions.

- c) Trustee Ross provided information on a Board Operations Matter and received feedback from the Board.

Mr. Gobeil – Mr. Foley

That the Committee of the Whole In-Camera do now resolve into Board. (8:11 p.m.)

Carried.

28/2021 Ms. Fallis – Ms. Letain

That Confidential No. 2 and the recommendations therein be approved.

Carried.

7.00 ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Fallis – Ms. Kejick

That the Board do now adjourn (8:14 p.m.)

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary-Treasurer



LOCAL 737

1911 Park Avenue
Brandon MB R7B 4A7

May 11th, 2021

Appendix 'A'

Mr. Denis Labossiere
Brandon School Division
1031-6th Street
Brandon, Manitoba R7A 4K5

Dear Mr. Labossiere:

CUPE 737 is requesting permission for Jamie Rose, School Bus Driver/Utility Maintenance Worker to continue with the secondment of three days per week for union business, from September 1st, 2021 to June 30th, 2022, in the school year 2021 – 2022.

As usual, CUPE Local 737 will reimburse the Brandon School Division for loss of wages, benefits, etc.

Yours truly,

Carol J. Gyselman
Recording Secretary, CUPE 737



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Report of Senior Administration to the Board of Trustees

May 25, 2021

A. Administrative Information

I. CELEBRATIONS

1. 2021 SKILLS MANITOBA COMPETITION

As Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School offers vocational programming, students have the opportunity to take part in Skills Manitoba and Skills Canada Competitions annually. Due to COVID-19, this year's competition was held remotely.

We are pleased to recognize and celebrate to the following 17 Crocus Plains students, who were Medal Recipients at the 2021 Skills Manitoba Competition:

Lachlan S. – Automobile Technology – Gold Medal
Juan A. – Automobile Technology – Silver Medal
Ethan T. – Automobile Technology – Bronze Medal
Eduardo C. – Auto Body Repair – Gold Medal
Kendal C. – Public Speaking – Gold Medal
Romil S. – Public Speaking – Silver Medal
Faith K. – Job Skill Demonstration – Silver Medal
Mariana G. – Job Search – Silver Medal
Logan M. – Workplace Safety – Silver Medal
Marvin W. – Mechanical Engineering CAD – Gold Medal
Mason K. – Mechanical Engineering CAD – Silver Medal
Laura S. – Photography – Gold Medal
Hannah L. – Photography – Bronze Medal
Andrew S. – Architectural Technology and Design – Bronze Medal
Catalina C. – Baking – Bronze Medal
Madison F. – Cooking – Silver Medal
Blake R. – Cooking – Bronze Medal

“Accepting the Challenge”

2. YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY

Youth in Philanthropy is a program offered by the Brandon Area Community Foundation as a way to introduce motivated youth to philanthropy and local community development. This program gives students hands-on experience working as a team and with local charitable organizations.

Youth in Philanthropy students from Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School, École secondaire Neelin High School, and Vincent Massey High School assisted in distributing grants totaling \$10,000 to 21 local charities.

3. 40TH ANNUAL TERRY FOX SCHOOL RUN

The following eight schools participated in the annual Terry Fox School Run: Alexander School, Earl Oxford School, École Harrison, King George School, Linden Lanes School, Riverheights School, Riverview School, and Waverly Park School. Congratulations to École Harrison, named as one of Manitoba’s top 50 fundraising schools in 2020. In total, Brandon School Division schools raised \$3820.55 for cancer research.

II. SUSPENSIONS

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NO./STUDENTS</u>	<u>INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOUR</u>	<u>ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOUR</u>	<u>DRUGS AND ALCOHOL</u>
High School	6 total	5	0	1
		*4 vaping	*0 weapons	

* Infractions may fall under more than one category.

III. PRESENTATIONS

LAND-BASED LEARNING AND TRADITIONAL TEACHINGS PROJECT, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BRANDON FRIENDSHIP CENTRE INC.

For InformationM. Gustafson

In follow up to a presentation at the March 22, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting, there will be a video presentation regarding the Land-Based Learning and Traditional Teachings Project. This project is the result of a partnership between Brandon School Division and Brandon Friendship Centre Inc. and provides an opportunity for students from École secondaire Neelin High School and Prairie Hope High School to participate in a course regarding the 7 Sacred Teachings.

B. Business Arising for Board Action

I. INFORMATION FOR DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. STAFFING ACTIVITY REPORT

For Information T. Mendel

Included in the agenda package for the Board of Trustees is the Staffing Activity Report, a listing of resignations and employment approved by the A/ Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer and Secretary-Treasurer since the last meeting.

II. SENIOR ADMINISTRATION RESPONSE TO TRUSTEE INQUIRIES

RESPONSE TO TRUSTEE INQUIRY:

- **FINANCIAL IMPLICATION OF NO FEES LUNCH PROGRAM FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**
- **AVAILABLE SPACE OR ANTICIPATED SPACE REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE STUDENTS FOR LUNCH PROGRAM**
- **STAFFING AND SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS**
- **TOWARDS A FLEXIBLE LUNCH PROGRAM FOR ALL**

For Information M. Gustafson

Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer will provide a response to this Trustee inquiry. Please see Appendix A.

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

**Mathew Gustafson
A/Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer**



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Office of the Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / Chief Executive Officer
Mrs. Elaine McFadzen, Assistant Superintendent

DATE: May 25, 2021

TO: Board of Trustees

REPORT PREPARED BY: Mr. Mathew Gustafson, A/Superintendent / CEO

RE: Response to Trustee Ekenna's Inquiry re: a no fee lunch program for all K-8 students

I. Introduction

The following report was prepared in response to Trustee Ekenna's request for more in-depth research concerning the following:

- Financial implication of a no fees lunch program for elementary schools
- Available space or anticipated space required to accommodate students for lunch program
- Staffing and supervision requirements

Note: without a specific model to base calculations on, the numbers provided are an approximation.

II. Staffing and Supervision Requirements

Considerations

- Total number of K-8 students for the 2020-2021 school year - 6092
- Total number of paid EA days for the 2021-2022 school year - 196
- CUPE Collective Agreement Level IV General EA
 - 1st year \$19.71
 - 3rd year \$20.53
- Student to staff ratio
 - **Scenario A** - Ratio of 1 supervisor: 20 Students – $6092 / 20 = 304.6$ supervisor hours
 - **Scenario B** - Ratio of 1 supervisor: 25 Students – $6092 / 25 = 243.68$ supervisor hours

Scenario A

305 supervisor hours X \$19.71 X 196 days = \$1,178,263.80 (low)

305 supervisor hours X \$20.53 X 196 days = \$1,227,283.40 (high)

Scenario B

244 supervisor hours X \$19.71 X 196 days = \$942,611.04 (low)

244 supervisor hours X \$20.53 X 196 days = \$981,826.72 (high)

Note: Hours currently in budget - 112 hours per day X 196 days X 19.71 = \$432,673.62 (low)

112 hours per day X 196 days X 20.53 = \$450,674.56 (high)

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III. Additional Costs

Cleaning

- Cleaning/Supervising staff costs

90 minutes per day per school (cleaning/supervising)

$$1.5 \times \$19.71 = \$29.57$$

$$\$29.57 \times 19 \text{ schools} \times 183 \text{ instructional days} = \$102,814.89 \text{ (low)}$$

90 minutes per day per school (cleaning/supervising)

$$1.5 \times \$20.53 = \$30.80$$

$$\$30.80 \times 19 \text{ schools} \times 183 \text{ instructional days} = \$107,091.60 \text{ (high)}$$

- Cleaning supplies costs (not able to estimate at this time)

IV. Facilities

- Require the use of all classrooms since no schools have sufficient common areas to accommodate all students.
- This would impact teacher access to their classroom.

V. Other Considerations

- 348 Educational Assistants are currently employed in the division – therefore would need to add time to significant number of current staff and hire additional staff
- Would impact other organizations including Y program and parent organizations
- Casual versus full-time – need time to monitor attendance and for call backs for missing children
- No ability to heat lunches
 - Microwaves – cost, location, power – 3 mins/lunch means 1 microwave heats 5 lunches
 - Would need the appropriate number of microwaves
 - Current electrical capacity in our buildings does not allow for a large number of microwaves

VI. Conclusion

The financial implication of a no fee lunch program would be approximately \$800,000 additional dollars depending on the model of supervision used. The large number of potential students participating would require the use of the majority of the school. Given the scope of the initiative and the impact on staff, schools, parents and community organizations, there would be a need to engage stakeholders in the process prior to any model being developed.



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Education and Community Relations Committee Minutes

Monday, May 10, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: S. Bambridge C. Ekenna
K. Fallis B. Foley
J. Gobeil D. Kejick
L. Letain J. Murray
L. Ross

Also Present: D. Labossiere M. Gustafson
E. McFadzen

1. COMMITTEE ITEMS

A. **Brandon School Division Weekly Notices**

Terri Curtis, Communications Coordinator, distributes an electronic copy of *Brandon School Division Weekly Notices*. This document is distributed to all BSD staff members, and includes information such as upcoming events, updates and opportunities from Manitoba Education, etc. *Weekly Notices* was recently reformatted to provide a succinct source of information, with the option to click links to obtain more details. Trustees reviewed a copy of the Weekly Notices.

B. **Our Journey – Honouring Indigenous Student Success**

Our Journey – Honouring Indigenous Student Success is an annual celebration to honour the educational accomplishments of Indigenous students who are graduating from educational facilities in the community, including Brandon School Division.

The High School Leadership Team discussed this important event in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic. While there will be no gathering this year, BSD will continue with our practice of distributing specially-made stoles to all BSD Indigenous graduates. Each school will make plans to recognize Indigenous graduates, so that the stoles can be given to students in advance of graduation; these plans will include the Brandon School Division Elder.

C. **Manitoba Education – Arts Education Brochures**

Correspondence was received on April 14, 2021 from Diana Turner, Acting Coordinator, Professional Learning Unit, Learning and Outcomes Branch; and Danièle Dubois-Jacques, Acting Coordinator, Curriculum and Assessment Unit, Bureau de l'éducation française.

Manitoba Education has released the 2nd edition of the Kindergarten to Grade 8 curriculum frameworks for dance, dramatic arts, music, and visual arts. They have been revised to align more closely with the Grades 9-12 arts education curriculum frameworks. A copy of the brochure was provided and reviewed by Trustees.

D. Green Acres School – Legacy Tipi Project

A presentation was shared with the Education and Community Relations Committee on the Legacy Tipi Project at Green Acres School. This project was approved by the Board of Trustees at the Committee of the Whole meeting on October 13, 2020.

Green Acres School has chosen the theme of Healing for its Tipi message.

Healing – Defined by Green Acres School:

***Healing** is a courageous process with kind words that give us the strength to keep searching for the light when in a dark place, become whole again.*

***Healing** means taking your time with yourself, learning to love yourself and to accept who you are. Healing is not letting other people bring you down. Healing is finding people to bring you up instead.*

***Healing** is talking to others you trust about your feelings and having confidence to overcome the pain.*

Trustees spoke in favour of this message and supported the definition of Healing for the Green Acres School Tipi.

2. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 14, 6:00 p.m., Boardroom.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Letain



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes

Monday, May 10, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.
Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: S. Bambridge C. Ekenna
K. Fallis B. Foley
J. Gobeil D. Kejick (by phone)
J. Murray L. Ross

Also Present: D. Labossiere M. Gustafson
E. McFadzen

Regrets: L. Letain

1. COMMITTEE ITEMS

A. **Tender – Replacement of Gym Floor – Meadows School**

Mr. Denis Labossiere, Secretary-Treasurer, reviewed the Tender for the Replacement of the Gym Floor at Meadows School. The Province has approved support of \$100,000 for this project. The remainder of the cost will be funded through the 2021-2022 Operating Budget.

The Committee agreed to the recommendation as presented.

Recommendation:

That the Tender from Big Sky Enterprises in the amount of \$120,603 (including taxes) to replace the Gym Floor at Meadows School of which \$100,000 is to be funded through the Expanded Capital Support Program from the Province and \$20,603 through the 2021-2022 Operating Budget, be accepted.

B. **Public Compensation Disclosure Report for 2020**

The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed the Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Report, the Audit Engagement package and report from BDO Canada LLP and advised the Committee that the Report will be available on the Brandon School Division website as of June 28, 2021.

The Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Report for 2020 was accepted as presented.

C. **In-Camera Discussion – Board Operations**

The Secretary-Treasurer provided information on an In-Camera item and answered Trustee questions.

D. **Confirm Payments of Account (April)**

The payments of account for the month of April were provided for information.

The reports were accepted as circulated.

E. Review Monthly Reports (March)

The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed interim Reports for the month of March and provided comparisons to the prior year.

Mr. Labossiere also reviewed the current balances of Capital Reserve Accounts.

Trustee Ekenna asked questions for clarification regarding Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) and network switches.

The reports were accepted as circulated.

COVID-19 update:

The Secretary-Treasurer provided an update on additional COVID-19 Expenditures that have already been incurred or will be incurred going forward. As of March 31, 2021, current incremental expenditures for COVID-19 are \$4.2 million.

F. Sub Committee Reports

- Safety Committee – April 13, 2021

2. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

- The Secretary-Treasurer provided an update on the following:
 - 2021 Green Team Funding
 - Tender/Quotation Summary – Under \$50,000:
 - Alarm Response Services

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 6:00 p.m., Boardroom.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Ross



MANITOBA PASSES BILL 73 - PAID COVID-19 VACCINATION LEAVE

Manitoba Bill 73, *The Employment Standards Code Amendment Act* (COVID-19 Vaccination Leave), received Royal Assent on May 12. Bill 73 amended *the Employment Standards Code* to add paid leave for COVID-19 vaccinations.



Under the new bill it is mandatory for employers to allow all employees (FT, PT, casual) up to three hours of paid leave, for each time they require a COVID vaccine.

To learn the full details of this new legislation visit our [website](#).



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SHOUT OUT TO SCHOOL DIVISIONS AND TRUSTEES

Congratulations to all the school divisions/districts and school trustees in Manitoba for keeping their communities engaged on Bill 64 by hosting virtual conversations, meeting with MLA's, writing letters, placing ads, social media campaigns and reaching out in so many ways to your communities!



There is an incredible amount of concern growing among Manitobans from every corner of the province as they learn more about the damage that this legislation will have on education, democracy and communities. Keep sharing the message because public education belongs to communities! Visit localvoices.ca for the latest information on Bill 64 or contact [Janis Arnold](#) for help with resources.

BILL
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FACT:

Under Bill 64 the proposed parent volunteer councils will have no authority to create language, religious, culture, special needs or local business and community based programming as your school board does now.

Because schools belong to communities

#LocalVoicesLocalChoices #SignUpFor64 localvoices.ca

DOUBLE-CHECK OUR ACCURACY

Each year, before Manitoba School Boards Association publishes its trustee datebook, we ask divisions to check our information for accuracy. We want to make sure that we've spelled everyone's name correctly, that we have the right person in the right job, and that we've caught any changes in your division's address or phone number. That information for verification went out in last week's divisional email, with a request that [Jennifer Esau](#) be notified of any corrections by Monday, June 14. Distribution of the print copies will once again be based on the number of copies requested by each division.



TEACHER LISTENING TOUR

In April, the Manitoba Government [announced](#) a plan to engage parents, students and educators in conversations on the B.E.S.T. (Better Education Starts Today) strategy to implement the changes outlined in Bill 64. As part of this plan, the Education Minister began his "Teacher Listening Tour" on May 10 by engaging staff at Minnewasta School in Morden. We encourage you or teachers in your division to participate in these conversations with the Minister of Education, Cliff Cullen. Visit the Better Education [website](#) or contact your board office to find out when meetings are scheduled in your community.



JARDIN DE CONTES EN JUIN

Canadian Parents for French Manitoba (CPFMB) are excited to announce that this year's Festival international du conte de Winnipeg (the French program of the Winnipeg International Storytelling Festival) will take place online from June 1 - 30.



During *Jardin de contes en juin* (Garden of Stories in June), you will be able to access 25 virtual stories 24 hours a day! The French language programming is targeted to students from Kindergarten to Grade 12.

Be sure to visit the [CPFMB website](#) on May 24 to access the complete program, including story descriptions, storyteller bios and enrichment activities for each story.

