



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Education Committee Minutes

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 – 12:00 p.m.
Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: P. Bartlette (Chair), G. Buri, G. Kruck, M. Sefton (Alternate),
K. Sumner
M. Gustafson

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Minutes of September 12, 2016 were received as information.

3. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

A) **Exploring the Effectiveness and Impact of the MHSAA Policy on Transgender Athletes: Learning from the Experiences of Trans-Youth in Manitoba High Schools**

The recommendation of the Education Committee is to approve the research. Trustees asked questions for clarification. The Education Committee supported the recommendation.

Recommendation:

That the Board approve the research request from Jaxon (Rae) Hutton, University of Manitoba, for the study entitled "Exploring the Effectiveness and Impact of the 'Policy of Transgender Athletes': Learning from the Experiences of Trans-Youth in Manitoba High Schools" provided that the researcher obtain permission from the Principal, Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) Faculty Contacts and Students at each of the Brandon School Division senior high schools, prior to the study.

B) **Education Committee Yearly Plan**

The Committee reviewed the yearly plan and agreed to the suggested timeline.

C) **Graduation Rates**

Provincial definitions for Proxy Cohort High School Graduation Rate and Student-Tracked High School Graduation Rate were reviewed. Trustees had discussion on the outcomes they are trying to achieve with a successful graduation definition.

A previous Brandon School Division graduation study was referenced and discussed.

There was discussion around tracking graduates for 4, 5 or 6 years vs. tracking whether students graduate or not. The Committee agreed to focus on graduation/non-graduation. Discussion took place around entry points of students into the Brandon School Division system.

The Committee requested Senior Administration inquire whether the Province would release electronic data regarding previous school enrolment.

4. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

A) Sub-Committee Reports

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee – September 29, 2016

The Committee reviewed the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee minutes. A brief discussion on how to recognize the territory that Brandon School Division is sitting on was referred to the Board as a whole.

5. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

6. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Tuesday, November 8, 2016, 12:00 p.m., Boardroom

The meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Bartlette, Chair

G. Buri

G. Kruck

M. Sefton (Alternate)