



BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION

Divisional Futures & Community Relations Committee Minutes

Tuesday, September 29, 2015 - 1:00 p.m.

Boardroom, Administration Office

Present: P. Bowslaugh, L. Ross, M. Sefton, K. Sumner

M. Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Divisional Futures & Community Relations Committee Meeting was called to order at 1:28 p.m. by Trustee Pat Bowslaugh.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR/CONFIRM REGULAR MEETING DATES/REVIEW COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

It was agreed that Mrs. Pat Bowslaugh would serve as Committee Chairperson for 2015-2016. It was further agreed that the Divisional Futures and Community Relations Committee meetings would be held on the first Thursday of each month at 12:00 p.m. as follows:

Thursday, November 5, 2015	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 3, 2015	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 7, 2016	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 4, 2016	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 3, 2016	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 7, 2016	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 5, 2016	12:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 2, 2016	12:00 p.m.

The Committee reviewed their responsibilities as noted on the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as amended.

Trustee Sefton asked Mr. Mathew Gustafson, Assistant Superintendent, to provide information on the extended hours of the Off-Campus program. Mr. Gustafson noted that he is awaiting information and would provide an update to the Committee once the hours are confirmed.

Trustee Bowslaugh provided a verbal update on a conference she attended as part of the Brandon Urban Aboriginal People's Council.

4. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Minutes of May 11, 2015 were received as information.

5. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

A. Global Citizenship & Enhancing Relations

Mr. Gustafson spoke to this item, and noted that Senior Administration recommends that the Committee deal with areas of commonality:

- Strategic Plan

- Governance
- Health and wellbeing

The Committee spoke about meeting with students at schools and having a specific and defined agenda when meeting with different groups. The Committee decided that they would ask 3 questions of the students, one at a time, and request feedback in between questions. The Committee agreed to start with the Senior Years Groups, and meet with all the high schools over the next 3 month period. The decision was made to meet with École secondaire Neelin High School students on November 24, 2015.

Information gathered by the Committee will be taken back to Senior Administration by the Senior Administration representative on the Committee. Trustee Sumner noted that the Divisional Futures & Community Relations Committee is about sharing information and bringing that information back to the Board of Trustees and Senior Administration.

6. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

Community Mobilization Update:

Trustee Sefton provided the following updates on the Community Mobilization Meetings:

- The group has met 39 times since the end of April
- They have had 66 new discussions
- They have had 227 discussions in total
- The first 30+ discussions represented 1,200 calls to Brandon Police Service
- The group meets every other Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Trustee Bowslaugh asked about the potential for hiring another police officer in the schools. Trustee Sefton noted that he had no further information regarding another School Resource Officer.

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Bowslaugh, Chair

M. Sefton

K. Sumner

L. Ross (Alternate)