

# **BRANDON SCHOOL DIVISION**

# **Education Committee Minutes**

Tuesday, December 3, 2013, 11:30 a.m. École Secondaire Neelin High School <u>Present:</u> P. Bartlette (Chairperson), G. Kruck, M. Snelling, Dr. D. Michaels, Superintendent

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Education Committee meet at 11:30 a.m. at École Secondaire Neelin High School. Michael Adamski, School Principal, conducted a tour of the school facilities which included the newly renovated science labs, the GIS lab, the dance theater, the activity centre and the life skills suite. Mr. Rob Cullen, Life Skills teacher, explained how the Sensory Room benefited students in the life skills program. Following a tour of these facilities, the Committee met in the Conference Room in the school library to continue with the meeting agenda.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

# 4. PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

The Committee minutes from November 4, 2013 were received as information. Trustee Kruck referencing the number of pages in the Grade 7 and 8 Elective full data report, asked that instead of copying for all Trustees could the report be made available in the Office of the Superintendent for those who wished to view same. Superintendent, Dr. Michaels, confirmed that the full report could be made available.

## 5. COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE GOAL ITEMS

NIL

#### 6. OTHER COMMITTEE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

#### A) MSBA Nominations for 2014 Premier Award for School Board Innovation

The Committee reviewed and discussed programming which could be recommended to the Board of Trustees for the MSBA Premier Award for School Innovation. Suggestions for consideration included: the Neelin Dance Program, the Dual Language Books Initiative, the Full Day/Every Day Kindergarten Program, the HALEP Program and the Neelin Sensory Room. Following discussion, it was agreed that the Dual Language Books Initiative from École New Era School would be recommended to the Board of Trustees as the Division's entry into the MSBA Premier Award for School Board Innovation for 2014. The Communications in Technology Specialist would assist in the display of the proposed nomination at the MSBA Convention in March, 2014.

## **Recommendation:**

That the Dual Language Book Initiative from École New Era School be nominated for the MSBA Premier Award for School Board Innovation for the Manitoba School Boards Association's 2014 Convention.

#### 7. BRIEFINGS ON DEVELOPMENTS IN EDUCATION

#### 8. OPERATIONS INFORMATION

- Trustee Kruck requested discussions at a future meeting regarding the video on fitness that was distributed to Trustees by the Board Chairperson. It was agreed Mr. Ralph Clark, Physical Education Specialist, be invited to the meeting as well.

# 9. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Monday, January 6, 2013, 11:30 a.m., Board Room.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.		
Respectfully submitted,		
P. Bartlette, Chair	G. Kruck	
M. Snelling	K. Sumner (Alternate)	