



# **BOARD HIGHLIGHTS**

June 27, 2018 Board Meeting

**Trustees:** (back row) Connie Huelsman, Melissa Copley, Allan Tarnoczi, Superintendent Kurt Sacher, Gord Kerr, Joe-Anne Knispel-Metejka (front row) Vice Chair Holly Bilton, Chair Colleen Butler, Sherry Cooper, Trudy James

## Superintendent evaluation:

The Board accepted a written report on the recently-completed internal evaluation of Superintendent Kurt Sacher, which was conducted in June. The Board acknowledged that his transparency and genuine caring allows everyone in the division to openly discuss concerns with the Superintendent. As a result, healthy and positive relationships exist with staff and stakeholders. The supportive relationship between the Board and Superintendent allows the Division to move forward in a strong and positive way.

#### **Locally developed courses:**

The Board reviewed an annual report that lists the courses that are being re-instated as a matter of routine. The majority of these courses, which Chinook's Edge schools have received approval from various school divisions to use, have already been in place. New this year is a sculpting course. The full list of locally developed courses is available on the Learning Services section of the division website.

#### **School bus purchase:**

The Board reviewed the successful tender from a recent RFP for a fleet renewal of six new school buses and one specially-equipped handicapped bus. Costs for this purchase totaled \$738,300 which, although approximately \$12,000 under budget, still leaves the Transportation Department in a deficit of nearly

\$900,000. The new buses will be ready for the start of next school year.

### **Policy updates:**

As part of an ongoing review project involving several Board Policies, the Policy Committee presented a number of updates. These policy updates will be reflected on the Board section of the division website.

## **Facility Services breakfast:**

Trustees gathered with staff from the Facilities Department and Central Office for the annual year-

end breakfast prior to the Board Meeting. Trustee Gord Kerr, Chair of the Facilities Committee, thanked staff for their extra efforts to ensure school buildings and department facilities are maintained in a highly professional manner throughout the year.

Trustees thanked everyone in our Chinook's Edge school communities for working to make this a successful year in our division. The next meeting of the Board of Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.

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