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# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

## Board Highlights for the East Central Francophone Meeting February 24, 2015

### MATTERS ARISING FROM THE JANUARY 13<sup>TH</sup> MEETING

- École Francophone de Lac La Biche

Marc Dumont, Superintendent, assisted the last school council meeting held February 23<sup>rd</sup>. It is important to note that all aspects of planning for the new denominational status will be unique as there are currently no other Catholic programs in Lac La Biche. A meeting is scheduled March 23<sup>rd</sup> with the Bishop. The school is also in the process of choosing a new name. A competition will be organized whereby each family may submit two suggestions according to general criteria. Once the contest closes, the winning name will be sent to the Board for approval.

### MEETING WITH THE ÉCOLE VOYAGEUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

M. Francois Paré, school principal of École Voyageur, brought forward a concern identified by the school council, namely the amount of homework sent home – especially at the elementary level. Marc Dumont indicated that research has demonstrated that there is no correlation between academic achievement and homework at the elementary level. Administration is in the process of developing a written administrative procedure to this effect.

### 2015 - 2016 CALENDARS

Marc Labonté, Secretary-Treasurer, explained the reason for the three different versions. A particular distinction was highlighted for École des Beaux-Lacs, as the parent teacher interviews scheduled for spring was planned for March 21<sup>st</sup> rather than the 24<sup>th</sup> like the other schools. The recommendation from the school principal acknowledges the fact that there is fear that participation would be low if the parent-teacher meetings were held before spring break.

The beginning of the school year will be carried out under the same principles as last year – 4 days of PD for teachers and an additional day for administrators. N Other proposed changes include the addition of a professional development day to the Thanksgiving weekend. Half days in February and June were eliminated. Moreover, the addition of specific professional development days dedicated to PLC (Professional Learning Community) – allowing opportunities for teachers to collaborate and work together to share their expertise with others who teach similar courses and grade levels.

The Board adopted the 2015 - 2016 first draft calendars and mandated administration to obtain feedback from the five school communities. The final version will be adopted at the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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## REVENUES AND EXPENSES UPDATE

Marc Labonté, submitted a financial update for information purposes. Marc Labonté anticipates the Board will finish the year with a lower than expected deficit. The difference in budgeted vs. actual deficit will surely play an important role when faced with possible austerity measures that may be imposed in the next provincial budget.

## JANUARY 19TH MEETING WITH THE EDUCATION MINISTER

Marc Dumont provided a summary of the meeting.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE: ADMISSIONS

Marc Dumont presented some statistics relative to the admissions policy and procedures.

## BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION: BY- ELECTIONS

Mr. Miguel Poulin, resigned as trustee due to a family move to Cold Lake. The Board wishes to fill the vacant position in the spring so the new member may receive appropriate orientation before the next school year. By-election details will be presented at the next meeting.

## ÉCOLE VOYAGEUR SCHOOL SITE

Marc Labonté presented alternatives for sharing costs following the construction of the new access road and parking lot. The Board is in favor of subdividing land in

order to return a small portion to the City of Cold Lake, provided it be zoned as R4 residential.

## ASBA

Documents for information purposes were shared. These were to highlight the possibility of major budget cuts for '15-'16, to be announced in the coming weeks.

## FCSFA

The annual symposium will be held March 7th and 8th. Michèle Dallaire, Marc Dumont and Marc Labonté will be attending.

## NEXT MEETING

MARCH 17, 2015 AT 4:00P.M, IN  
PLAMONDON.

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