

Presentations

Summer Learning

Superintendent of Learning, Andrea Gillespie, provided the opportunity for staff members who organized and ran the Summer Learning Program to present to



trustees. District Principal Steven Roffe shared information about the implementation and impact the summer learning program has had on students. The program helps students to keep pace with their peers, reduce summer learning loss, and even close literacy and math gaps. Summer Learning Team members from Gravenhurst – Kelli Smith, Jessica Reid, and Stephanie Forsythe – shared their experiences offering a blend of recreational and academic activities for grades 1 to 3 students. The camps ran in all areas of the board offering 9 classes to approximately 155 students.

Administrative Reports

Strategic Action Plan

Director of Education, Larry Hope, reviewed with trustees the final report from the 2015-2016 Strategic Action Plan. Measurements and updates for each item listed have been included in the report although, some items are not complete due to labour challenges over the past year.

The new 2016-2017 Strategic Action Plan focuses on the new multi year strategic Plan 'Embrace Learning' which is responsive to the needs of our communities and reflects who we are in TLDSB. The report is divided into three sections corresponding with the main areas in the multi-year plan: innovation and collaboration, supporting well-being, and valuing everyone's voice.

EQAO Assessments Reports

Secondary EQAO Assessment: Only one assessment report for secondary students was shared by Superintendents of Learning, Bruce Barrett and Katherine MacIver – the Ontario Secondary Student Literacy Test (OSSLT). TLDSB students did not write the grade 9 math assessment in the 2015-2016 school year due to labour challenges. Results from the OSSLT are disappointing and this is the first year that the board has been below the provincial average. However some very important pro-active responses have been implemented to prepare students for this year’s test. As well, EQAO is moving into an online version of the OSSLT and TLDSB students will soon begin trial attempts on the online version. Students with special needs have also had a decrease in results reporting at just above the provincial average when typically TLDSB performs significantly higher than the province.

OSSLT													
2009-2010		2010-2011		2011-2012		2012-2013		2013-2014		2014-2015		2015-2016	
TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.	TLDSB	Prov.
84	84	85	83	82	82	82	82	82	83	82	82	76	81

Primary and Junior EQAO Assessment – Superintendents of Learning, Andrea Gillespie and Katherine MacIver presented information on the grades 3 and 6 reading, writing, and math assessments. There is a different focus in TLDB schools since the EQAO results were made available to staff. This is the first time that all results in primary and junior reading, writing, and math went down. The board is taking this very seriously and are having intensive conversations with schools. In general, students with special needs did not out-perform the province, as was the case in previous years. A newly implemented action plan will focus on monitoring results by system and school administrators, reassignment of instructional leads to support schools showing significant decline, tracking of students in reading, writing, and math, and school plans that focus on adjusting teaching practice to address students not who are not reaching targets.

	08-09		09-10		10-11		11-12		12-13		13-14		14-15		15-16	
	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov	TLDSB	Prov
	READING															
Gr 3	66	61	65	62	69	65	67	66	71	68	70	70	N/A	68	72	
Gr 6	73	69	74	72	77	74	73	75	76	77	80	79		75	81	
	WRITING															
Gr 3	67	68	70	70	73	73	73	76	77	77	74	78	N/A	64	74	
Gr 6	62	67	67	70	70	73	68	74	71	76	72	78		69	80	
	MATH															
Gr 3	74	70	72	71	74	69	69	68	69	67	67	67	N/A	59	63	
Gr 6	60	63	64	61	59	58	54	58	52	57	49	54		39	50	

Program Enhancement Reports

Director of Education Hope presented to trustees reports from the program enhancement projects that took place in the last school year. Fifty-nine projects took place before the end of June 2016 and one project will take place on September 30th.

Announcements

Award

Healthy and Active Living Consultant Dave Lyons has won a very prestigious award for his work in TLDSB as well as in the province promoting the benefits of physical activity. This “OPHEA Award for Outstanding Contribution” is for exemplary contribution in the lives of young people as they pursue physical activity in their lives.

Retirement

Kim Goodwin Myers Principal at Irwin Memorial Public School effective July 31, 2016

Future Meetings:

MEETING	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Committee of the Whole	October 11, 2016	6:30 p.m.	Bracebridge
Regular Board Meeting	October 25, 2016	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Committee of the Whole	November 8, 2016	6:30 p.m.	Minden
Regular Board Meeting	November 22, 2016	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Annual Organizational Meeting	December 13, 2016	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay

All meetings begin at 5:30 p.m. with the In-Camera agenda. The public portion of all meetings begins at approximately 6:30 p.m. Videoconference facilities are available in Minden, Bracebridge, and Lindsay with prior notice to the Communications Department. The live webcast of **Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees** is found at www.tldsb.ca.