

Presentations

Presentation to 2015-2016 Student Trustee

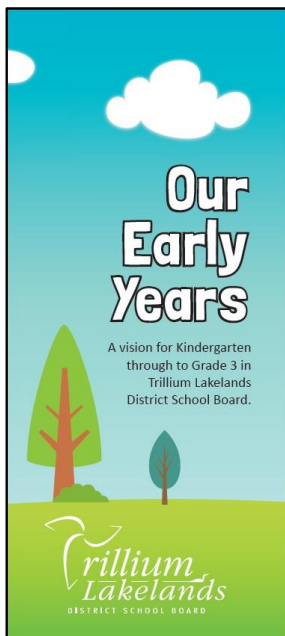
Director of Education Larry Hope and Chairperson Louise Clodd presented Student Trustee Brigid Goulem with a plaque thanking her for leading the G7 Student Senate and her work with the board during the 2014-2015 school year.



Early Years

Andrea Gillespie, Superintendent of Early Years and Elementary School Improvement presented to trustees the impact the implementation of full day kindergarten has had on all primary grades,

Kindergarten to Grade 3. A description of the vision for Kindergarten to Grade 3 has been developed for the board called “Our Early Years”. Using the premise that “children are competent, capable of complex thinking, curious, and rich in potential,” the board leadership team has established Belonging, Well Being, Expression, and Engagement as key focus areas for early years educators.



The Early Years strategy for the school board includes leadership sessions, an advisory committee, network meetings, a workshop series, as well as two highly successful events. “Take Me Outside to Learn” was two-hour outdoor adventure for families, followed by an afternoon workshop for early years educators. “Natural Curiosity” is another opportunity for educators to explore opportunities for learning outdoors. Principal Elaine Fournier shared the impact of the recent “Kindergarten to Grade 3 Pedagogical Leadership Session for Principals.” Two types of tools were used to determine the effectiveness of the session. Principals indicated that they valued the session and would like more professional development of this type.

The new Kindergarten Report card will be called a “Communication of Learning” which will provide information to parents about their child under the four focus areas. Plans for the future include continued professional learning with the early years community, exploration of continued possibilities for outdoor learning, as well as “learning about the learning.”

Administrative Reports:

2015-2016 Budget

Trustees approved the 2015-2016 budget of \$201,599.029 which includes an operating deficit of \$3,991,000 for the year. This will be funded by a transfer from the accumulated surplus balance of the board. The Ministry of Education has approved this transfer as is required for amounts that exceed 1 per cent of the operating grants of the year.

Board Meeting Date Changes

The start date for the upcoming school year is an anomaly in that Labour Day falls on September 7, 2015. The school year does not begin for students until September 8, 2015. Trustees approved meeting date changes to reflect the start of the school year for 2015 to include the following:

- Regular Board Meeting from August 25, 2015 to September 1, 2015
- Committee of the Whole from September 8, 2015 to September 15, 2015
- Regular Board Meeting from September 22, 2015 to September 29, 2015

Meetings for the remainder of 2015 will remain the same.

Administrative Appointments, Placements, Transfers

The following appointments, placements, and transfers were approved:

Appointment effective September 1, 2015

Katherine MacIver Superintendent of Specialized Services and Safe and Accepting Schools

Placements effective September 1, 2015

Barb Davies	Vice Principal at JD Hodgson ES
Rory Ellis	Vice Principal at Bobcaygeon PS
Don MacIver	Vice Principal at LCVI
Kevin Ray	Vice Principal at IEWSS
Jennifer Richter	Vice Principal at Monck PS
David Waito	Vice Principal at HHSS

Administrative Transfers effective September 1, 2015

Melissa MacEachern	Vice Principal at Mariposa ES / Dr. George Hall PS to Mariposa ES
Kerri-Lyn McFaul	Vice Principal at Central Senior School at Dr. George Hall PS
Bill Thompson	Vice Principal at Lady Mackenzie PS to Central Senior School
Leslie Wright	Vice Principal at Bobcaygeon PS to Lady Mackenzie PS

Future Meetings:

MEETING	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Regular Board Meeting	September 1, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Committee of the Whole	September 15, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Minden
Regular Board Meeting	September 29, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Committee of the Whole	October 13, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Bracebridge
Regular Board Meeting	October 27, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Committee of the Whole	November 10, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Minden
Regular Board Meeting	November 24, 2015	6:30 p.m.	Lindsay
Organizational Meeting	December 8, 2015	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.