



Date: March 23, 2018

Topic: **Executive Summary of the March 22nd Regular Board Meeting**

1. Trustees reported on the recent convention of the Manitoba School Boards Association.
2. A representative from Manitoba Education visited on March 21 to provide feedback and consultation regarding our Framework for Continuous Improvement.
3. Due to the winter storm, all divisional schools and offices were closed March 5 and 6. Shoal Lake School was also closed on March 8 due to a community water main break.
4. The Board discussed possible models of stakeholder consultation that we might use later this year.
5. The Assistant Superintendent reported on the recent principals meeting. One highlight was a presentation by staff from Gilbert Plains Collegiate on their VISIONS program, an innovative way to provide life skill training and work experiences to students.
6. The Secretary-Treasurer has been preparing the March 31 year-end financial statements due to the province.
7. Trustees passed a motion to contract the services of a school safety consultant to conduct an audit of all schools in our division.
8. On April 12th the board will have a finance committee meeting at 4:00 pm, a discussion about their evaluation framework at 4:30 pm, and their regular meeting at 6:00 pm.
9. The Board heard an additional presentation and discussed letters and emails received in the last ten days. After several hours of debate and deliberations, the budget was finalized. The Board contemplated new perspectives but ultimately decided to stay with the version of the budget that was established on March 12.