



BOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 15, 2015

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD IN-CAMERA REPORT:

(Meetings of a Committee of the Board, including a Committee of the Whole Board, may be closed to the public in accordance with the Education Act. The Board meets in Committee of the Whole, private session, when the subject under consideration involves: the security of the property of the Board; the disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the board or committee, an employee of the board or a pupil or his/her parent or guardian; the acquisition or disposal of a school site; decisions in respect of negotiations with employees of the board; and litigation affecting the board.)

The December 8, 2015 Committee of the Whole Board in-camera meeting was cancelled.

The Board of Trustees approved the recommendations and directions of the Special Committee of the Whole Board in-camera session of December 15, 2015. The following recommendations were received:

- Approved proposal to initiate community partnerships to enhance innovative programming.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

Presentations:

The **Annual Student Achievement Report** was presented by Curriculum Consultant Heather Best and Principal Elise Daragon. The report summarized the Board's 2014-15 EQAO results; provided provincial Board comparisons; student achievement initiatives, strategies and supports; and community and parent engagement.

Aboriginal Education within the Board

Superintendent Mike Seguin and Differentiated Instruction Consultant for Aboriginal Education Melissa Cavallin reviewed the goals laid out in the Charter of Commitment for First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education and shared how the Board is currently meeting these goals.

Compassion to Action – Mission to Israel, Austria and Poland

Members of senior administration travelled to Israel, Austria and Poland as part of the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies, Compassion to Action. Communications Coordinator Stephen Fields provided the Board with a visual presentation of the journey concluding the need to further educate, share and preserve the memory of the Holocaust and engage our students in dialogue about the dangers of radicalism in all of its forms.

Received the following items for information:

- Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Minutes of October 15, 2015

Received the following items for approval:

- United Nations International Holocaust Awareness Day
- Tender Approval South Evaporative Cooler Replacement – Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School
- 2016 Temporary Borrowing Resolution – Annual Expenditures
- 2016 Temporary Borrowing Resolution – Permanent Improvements
- Multi-year Strategic Plan 2016-2019

The winner of the **Christmas Classroom Instrument Contest** is Holy Cross Catholic Elementary School. Click on the following link to view their video.

<https://youtu.be/jHZWGcHXJl8>

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**Next Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 7:00 pm**

Unless otherwise indicated, Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month (closed session)

