



# Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board

## Meeting Highlights April 16, 2016

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### OVERVIEW

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board held a regular meeting on April 16, 2016 at the District Conference Centre, St. John's. Below are highlights of the meeting.

### SCHOOL REVIEW PROCESS

Tony Stack, Assistant Director of Education (Operations), presented on the school review process, including the public consultation process and feedback received. Trustees voted on the notices of motion put forth at the March 5, 2016 meeting. All notices of motion carried and as a result the following schools will close at the end of the current school year:

- Holy Cross Junior High (St. John's);
- Whitbourne Elementary;
- Heritage Academy (Greenspond);
- Long Island Academy (Beaumont); and,
- Sacred Heart All Grade (Conche).

The feeder systems of Holy Heart High School and Prince of Wales Collegiate have been altered with Bishop Abraham Elementary students rezoned to attend Brother Rice Junior High after completing Grade 6 (effective September 2016) and all Brother Rice Junior High students attending Holy Heart High School after completing Grade 9, effective September 2017.

### NEW SCHOOL NAME

The Board approved the name put forth by the school council for the new elementary school in Paradise. The school will be named Octagon Pond Elementary.

### BUDGET STATUS UPDATE

The Board approved the December 31, 2015 revised budget and status update as presented by the Finance and Operations Committee.

### REPORTS

Trustee Price indicated to trustees that the Annual General Meeting of the Newfoundland and Labrador School Boards Association would be held on April 16, 2016 and a report on the meeting would be provided at the next meeting of the trustees.

A report was provided by Trustee Nada Borden on the activities of the School Milk Foundation. Trustee Borden indicated that an awareness campaign through social media is underway with plans for a future campaign to also occur. As well, current school milk prices will remain in effect next year.

Trustee George Sheppard updated trustees on the innovation awards and grants and the number of applications received. Overall, good progress has been made and the applications will be reviewed by the established committee. As some areas of the District did not have applications, further promotional work will occur to encourage broader participation.

Director of Education Darrin Pike provided his update to trustees which included the final version of the social media awareness video for educators, information on the Quarterly Report and positive initiatives occurring throughout the District.