



Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board

Meeting Highlights *October 1, 2016*

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OVERVIEW

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board held a regular meeting on October 1, 2016 at the District Conference Centre, St. John's. Below are highlights of the meeting.

BUDGET

The Board approved the District's balanced operating budget for the 12 month period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. The Board also approved the revised budget and status update of March 31, 2016, as put forward by the Finance Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Board of Trustees accepted the draft Annual Report 2015-2016 as presented, with any significant changes to come back to the Board for review prior to proceeding to the formal submission process to the provincial government.

SCHOOL BUS PURCHASES

The Board approved the purchase of 20 buses and authority to borrow up to \$3,000,000 with an amortization of 12 years. Purchases are subject to ministerial approval. The regional breakdown of purchases is: nine buses for the Central region; seven buses of the Eastern region; two buses for the Western region; and, two buses for the Labrador region.

SACRED HEART ALL GRADE

Approval was given for the District to provide a deed of Quit Claim in favour of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation for Sacred Heart All Grade property in Conche, subject to ministerial approval.

REPORTS

Trustee Sheppard informed the Board that the Education Foundation Audited Financial Statements have been approved. The Foundation awarded 25 scholarships of \$1,000 to students throughout the province for the 2015-2016 school year which included recipients in each of the four regions of the District.

The Board was informed by Trustee Borden that School Milk Foundation NL approved its 2016-2017 budget and that several new initiatives are being launched, including new packaging and Chair Peach had the opportunity to attend the official launch of the new packaging on World School Milk Day, September 28.

Trustee Price provided an update on the activities of the Newfoundland and Labrador School Boards Association and the Canadian School Boards Association.

Darrin Pike, CEO/Director of Education, provided a presentation to the Board outlining the progress made over the last three years, along with the areas of continued focus for the 2016-2017 school year.