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### Overview

The Board of Trustees of the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District held a public meeting at Prince of Wales Collegiate in St. John's on April 22, 2017. Below are highlights of the meeting.

### School Systems

A motion was passed to include the Galway development area as part of the Mount Pearl Senior High School system which also includes Morris Academy and Mount Pearl Intermediate.

Based upon a recommendation from the school council following consultation with the school community, the Board approved East Point Elementary as the name of the new school in the Virginia Park area of St. John's.

### Strategic Plan Development

The Board was provided an update on the development of the strategic plan for 2017-2020. Focus groups occurred throughout the District and a 'What We Heard' document has been drafted which was presented to trustees.

### Bay d'Espoir Academy

As a result of the January fire, the Board approved a request to the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development for the full replacement of the former Bay d'Espoir Academy and that a site selection process be undertaken to determine the future location of the school, pending ministerial approval.

### Reports

The Quarterly Budget Status update was provided to the Board. Expenses are expected to remain within budget for the 2016-17 fiscal year, although certain expenditures may exceed the approved budget allocation and budget transfers within these categories may be required.

A report from the chair of the Education Foundation updated trustees on the regional distribution of scholarships, the Innovation Awards and Grants programs, as well as the finances of the foundation. The foundation continues to operate in a surplus position with the main source of revenue the staff 50/50 lottery.

Trustees were provided an overview of initiatives recently supported by funds available from the Newfoundland and Labrador International Student Education Inc., including mental health, literacy, mathematics, and IT projects.

The Director of Education provided an overview of District initiatives of the last quarter, as available in the Quarterly Report. Information was also provided by a Senior Education Officer regarding the next steps of the strategic plan development process.