Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division

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Board Highlights

June 19th, 2023

Stakeholder Engagement

The Board had multiple stakeholder engagement items on their most recent meeting agenda. School Community Council School Clusters for 2023/24 were made official with minor changes made to help Trustees make natural connections with school communities, as well as connect with both urban and rural communities in our division. Trustee Cher Bloom reported on the work of the Saskatchewan Rivers Students For Change Committee's work for the year highlighting Departmental Exam advocacy, and the SRSC executive orientation as successes. Superintendent Garette Tebay presented the Stakeholder Engagement Accountability Report which highlighted work in the division in SCC's, the OurSCHOOL survey and it's results the SRSC, partnerships, and communications.

Truth And Reconciliation

An integral part of the pathway to truth and reconciliation for the Board is to provide information and time to reflect on this work at regular intervals throughout the year. Director Robert Bratvold, and Superintendent Jennifer Hingely brought forward a report that outlines the work SRPSD is doing in regards to the calls to action in education as well as the calls to action in other areas such as child welfare, professional development and training for public servants, and sports and recreation that our school division can also work towards decolonizing. Both Hingley and Bratvold remarked that as we go deeper into this work it becomes more intertwined and less simple to put in the box of a report.

Budget 23/24

CFO Jerrold Pidborochynski presented the proposed 23/24 budget to the Board in this meeting this included the recent additional funds announced by the province. The Board approved the use of \$975,000 from surplus to balance the budget this year. The majority of these funds will be used to continue their literacy initiative, Cree Language programming, and to refresh some division tech equipment such as smart boards. Although the Board was thankful for the additional funding to begin to meet the needs of our students they passed the budget with the recognition that more funding is still needed to meet the unique educational needs of our community.

Have a Great Summer!

The Board wants to take the time to wish everyone a fantastic summer! To the graduates of SRPSD, CONGRATULATIONS, and all the best in your future endeavors. To the retiring staff, congratulations, and thank you for your years of dedication to our students. And finally, to Director, Robert Bratvold, the happiest of retirements. The Board cannot thank you enough for the work we've done together over the past 12 years. To everyone else, see you in the fall for another exciting school year!

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