



Park West School Division

Topic: Executive Summary of the April 30th, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
Date: May 1st, 2015
From: Tim Mendel, Superintendent/CEO

1. Rossburn Collegiate Principal, Bob Ploshynsky, gave a presentation to the board. He highlighted some of the initiatives currently occurring in the school. He also identified some challenges faced by the school. Great presentation.
2. The board passed a motion to contract Don Reece from EKB Consulting to do a detailed study on the feasibility and cost of fiber optics for the region.
3. The CEO presented a proposal for a Leadership Development Program. The program will involve one school at this point. Please visit www.pwsd.ca for details.
4. The board was made aware that the current Hamiota kindergarten class has 22 students enrolled for next year. We are unsure about the attendance of two additional students in the area. There may be a need to split the class which may cause space issues at Hamiota Elementary. Just awareness at this point.
5. The board received a letter from the committee that was formed to plan for the Grade 5 and 6 transition from Birtle Elementary School (BES) to Birtle Collegiate (BCI) for next year. Plans are underway to move two sets of swings from BES to BCI and for the construction of a pad to be poured for basketball courts. The board approved the last day of classes to be Friday, June 26th, 2015 for BES and BCI. The board also approved the first day of classes for Grades 5-9 to be September 9th, 2015 and the first day of classes to be September 10th, 2015 for Grades 10-12. These date changes will aid with the transition for the students and staff.
6. The Assistant Superintendent informed the board that vocational information tours are happening at high schools over the next few weeks. The Assistant Superintendent and Vocational Education Coordinator are visiting high school classrooms across the division to share information about the programs.
7. The board heard from a delegation from Strathclair.