



Park West School Division

Topic: Executive Summary of the February 12th Regular Board Meeting
Date: February 13th, 2015
From: Tim Mendel, CEO/Superintendent

1. The board spent several hours before the board meeting deliberating on the 2015/2016 budget. A number of options were discussed and debated. Senior Administration was given direction and asked to have a draft budget prepared for the board for the next budget meeting on February 19th.
2. Trevor Lewis, principal of Miniota School, gave a presentation to the board. Mr. Lewis highlighted some of the key initiatives of Miniota School. He thanked the board for the support the school received and encouraged the board to continue to support small schools. Great presentation!
3. The board was informed that the Major Pratt School roof is completed and we can once again occupy the top floor of Major Pratt.
4. Birtle Elementary School will require an additional classroom for next year. There is a classroom currently available but it is being used for group work, clinicians, parent meetings, etc. The CEO met with staff about this issue. The board asked the CEO to prepare possible solution/options to resolve this space issue.
5. The board was informed that Park West School Division and its 0-5 programming partners were piloting the Rink Rats initiative. The program involves providing 0-5 programs to parents and pre-school aged children at the Russell Regional Multiplex. The idea is to bring programming to where the parents and kids are. The first session was February 11th. They had five families attend.
6. A big thanks to Tanya Thompson for organizing a terrific Student Citizenship banquet!