

In Attendance: Angela Ferguson(BBSS), Shannon Robinson(VVPS), Trisha Wearne (ORPS), Stephanie Cran (NWHU), Erin James (RLMPS), Sean Monteith (KPDSB), Michelle Guitard (Trustee)

Regrets: Doreen Armstrong

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-Up
Welcome – Introductions	Meeting called to order at: 6:30 p.m.	
Approval of Agenda	Moved by: Shannon Robinson Seconded by: Stephanie Cran <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
Approval of Minutes October 24, 2017	Moved by: Michelle Guitard Seconded by: Trish Wearne <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	
Business Arising from Minutes	None	
School Sharing Reports	<p>Valleyview PS : Working on getting a hot lunch program started again; hosted a successful bake sale and winding up our Christmas Raffle; School is hosting a Family Fun Night on Wednesday; ACTION: Shannon will share Terms of Reference at the request of Erin, who is looking for info re setting a vision (attached with minutes).</p>	

	<p>Red Lake Madsen PS: have been doing newsletters; created a tab on the website to share information on school council. Have been working on developing a new role for school council. Would like an Indigenous parent rep to ensure they are inclusive of the demographic at the school. Developing a vision statement for the council. Working on PRO grant in combination with portfolio night and do a school-wide portfolio night. Teachers will demonstrate in the gym what is happening in the classes. Community rep who worked for the health unit resigned, so looking for a new community rep for council.</p> <p>Open Roads PS: doing well with the new administration. Starting TD application process for outdoor classroom. Open Roads fine arts program has been promoted widely; but also need to promote the Explorer program. Will continue to work on the PRO grant to do a workshop night in April.</p>	
	<p>NWHU Update – See attached update from Steph Cran</p> <p>Director of Education Report – Survey of parents/staff re School Calendar – Coordinate with 5 boards in the region. Last year was a very close vote; this year 900 staff and 1500 parents responded – KPDSB was 50% of respondents. Committee meets on Friday to review the results and will make a decision to meet the needs of children and families.</p> <p>Feedback on the DOE’s report – to P/VP he gives the opportunity to email him in advance and he will answer questions at the next meeting, anonymously. He will still share things that are significant – i.e. tomorrow will bring a balanced budget to the trustees.</p> <p>PIC is parent’s access to the Director. Sean is currently concerned about the turnout at PIC meetings and wonders if there is anything he</p>	

	<p>can do to initiate interest in attendance at the PIC meeting.</p> <p>ACTION – Sean will mention getting input/having the opportunity to ask questions in his next blog post. Michelle suggested doing a video for PIC/parent involvement.</p> <p>ACTION – Michelle and Sean to talk to Sheena about a PIC/parent engagement video.</p> <p>ACTION - add t/c information to the agenda in addition to the VMR</p>	
New Business	<p>Parent Advocacy for Capital Projects –</p> <p>VVPS – Shannon outlined that a topic around the table at Valleyview school council for some time has been the growing school community and the ability of the school facilities to meet the need of the growing student body. Though improvements have been and continue to be made to meet the urgent needs, Valleyview has been identified by the Board as in need of a new school and as a priority capital project for the Board. Valleyview parents want to know what they can do as a large stakeholder group, invested in the well-being of students, to 1) help the Board get Ministry approval for the new school, and 2) beyond Valleyview, through councils or PIC to support the Board to achieve strategic board level priorities. Sean responded that the VVPS rebuild remains a priority. VVPS – built for 165 kids, now housing 330 with 4 classroom portable + 4 individual portables. A business case has been submitted, and possible a letter from the parent community outlining pressures could help.</p> <p>ACTION – VVPS School Council will send a letter to the Ministry of Education.</p>	
Next Meeting Date Suggested Agenda Items	Nicole to send date to the Committee	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.	