Livingstone Range School Division #68 Board of Trustees Key Messages



December 8, 2015

Following are the Board of Trustees four Key Messages from the Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015.

- 1) The Board of Trustees were updated on the Division's Goal 1, *Literacy and Numeracy*. Ken Sampson, Associated Superintendent of Programs & Services and Chad Kuzyk, Director of Learning & Innovation gave a very informative presentation on the overview of the program, the goals and outcomes as well as the key strategies on the implementation of this goal. A section on Literacy and Numeracy will be included on our website under **Services** / *Learning Support* ... which is going live this Friday!
- The Board of Trustees have recently been working on their areas of emphasis which tie to the division's goals. At the Board Meeting on December 8th they approved their 2015-2016 Areas of Emphasis, 1) Advocacy with Provincial and Federal Politicians, and 2) Advocacy to Facilitate Success of First Nations Students. This document is viewable at <u>http://tinyurl.com/o3auj87</u>.
- 3) The Board of Trustees have been asked to provide feedback on the government's proposed Bill 8, *Public Education Collective Bargaining Act*. The proposed legislation came to school boards with no input from the Board and unclear as to whom will be sitting at the table during negotiations. A letter with the Board's concerns was forwarded to the Honourable Minister of Education, Mr. David Eggen shortly after the meeting.
- 4) With the current world events, international student travel has become a concern. Superintendent Driscoll reviewed the travel policy and process and stated all schools have been updated with concerns, in addition to information on cancellation insurance. The Board of Trustees and Central Office Senior Staff will monitor all current international travel implementing various checklists to ensure all parents and school staff are kept up to date on current proposed travel.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Senior Staff ...

May the Christmas season fill your home with joy your heart with love and your life with laughter Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.