Livingstone Range School Division #68 Superintendent's Report, October, 2016 2016-2017 School Year



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Highlights

Celebrations

Opening of Modernized Schools in Fort Macleod: A great day celebrating the opening of Kids First, W.A. Day and F.P Walshe schools. A big thank you to all the staff and students that made this day a great success!

Pow Wow in Fort Macleod: A great opportunity for our students to experience the First Nations culture. The staff and students did an amazing job of making this event a great celebration.

Livingstone Range School Division Career Fair: An amazing day that saw students from around the division gather together to learn about opportunities after high school. Thanks to Christy Bazell (LRSD Career Practitioner) in making this event a huge success

Meetings

Meeting with University of Lethbridge: South Superintendents met with Senior Administration from the University of Lethbridge to discuss areas of common concern and ideas to strengthen partnerships.

ASBA Fall Provincial Issues Forum: A great opportunity to learn of current and upcoming challenges/issues in education. This was an amazing opportunity to discuss concerns with other school divisions.

Lethbridge College: South Superintendents met with Senior Administration from the Lethbridge College to discuss areas of common concern and ideas to strengthen partnerships.

Other meetings include: CASSIX Principal Evaluation Grant Meetings Meetings with Senior Administration

Areas of Emphasis for Next Month

- ⇒ AERR and Three Year Plans
- ⇒ Principal Evaluations
- ⇒ SWRCSD Executive Meeting
- ⇒ CASS Fall Conference
- ⇒ Divisional Day

Highlights

First Nations, Metis & Inuit Supports

- Pow Wow Fort Macleod,
- Division Pow Wow date set for May 4. Location: Pincher Creek
- Strategic Planning—setting up a plan with goals, timelines and measures
- Meeting with AB Ed. FNMI Consultant Hali Heavy Shields. Georgina and I met with Hali to discuss her role and how we can work together
- Attended Making Treaty 7 Event
- Made contact with Wolf Creek Public Schools and Siksika to discuss potential visits to observe and learn more about "best practices"
- Alberta Assessment Consortium (AAC) Exploration of possible pilot project

Grand Openings

- Kid's First Family Center
- W.A. Day Elementary School
- F.P. Walshe School

Careers

- 1st Annual LRSD Career Fair. Students from across the division attended. Viewed as a success with desire to continue with another event next year.
- Advertising for another Career Practitioner in the west end of the division.
- ½ day planning session with Christy Bazell and Chad Kuzyk putting final touches on Divisional resource for teachers

Admin. Council Meeting

- Review of HR supports for new teachers, ensure mentorships set up, administrative procedure reviews for several of the 400's section
- Met with all new teachers and their administrators re: formal evaluations this year

Professional Development

- CASSIX fall meeting
- CASS Mentorship—I'm mentoring a new HR person in Sturgeon School Division.
- First Nations, Metis & Inuit Education Symposium Planning Committee Teleconference
- Admin. Council Retreat (various presentations by LRSD administrators)

Collective Bargaining

• CUPE negotiations meeting

Key Areas for Next Month

- JTC jurisdictional technology conference
- School Calendar Committee meeting
- Teacher2Teacher mentorship session
- CASS FNMI Education Action Committee meeting
- FNMI Staff Mtg.
- Off Campus Teacher meeting
- Board Retreat
- Divisional Day
- CUPE Negotiations, continued
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- Meetings:
 - South West RCSD And Bow River RCSD
 - CASSIX and Pre-CASSIX Opening meetings
 - Provincial CASS Professional Development meetings
 - Literacy Committee Meeting expanding to include work on Numeracy
 - Learning Support Teacher Community of Practice through SWRCSD
 - \circ $\,$ Meetings with Child & Family Services $\,$
 - Admin Retreat Committee meetings
- Ongoing individual Learning Support Teacher meetings
- Nutrition Pilot Plan submission (and subsequent presentation)
- FNMI / RCSD Services Meeting with Kainai and Piikani Boards of Education
- Official School Openings WA Day & FP Walshe Schools
- Admin Retreat Oct 12-14 in Waterton: Theme Success for ALL Learners

Key Areas for Next Month

- VTRA Level 1 Training for new Administrators, FSLCs / LSTs or those who require recertification, as well as community partners (RCMP, Alberta Health Services, Child & Family Services)
- Mental Health Literacy core training sessions
- Refinement of the Nutrition Pilot Proposal to be submitted for final approval
- Ongoing Teacher Supervision and Evaluations
- Internal Complex Case submissions for students requiring additional supports and services
- INAC / AANDC file submissions for those students with complex / diverse learning needs who are living on Reserve
- Division Professional Development Day November 1st at FP Walshe School
- CASS Fall Conference November 2-4, 2016 (Calgary)
- School Visits for AERR
- Success in School Plan work with Child & Family Services in Calgary

Highlights

- Capital Planning and Facilities
 - Fort Macleod School Grand Openings MLA Graham D Sucha
 - Fort Macleod Kids First Family Center Grand Opening
 - Organized the Facilitation of discussion, Admin and Maintenance Facilities Motion 16-121
 - o Work on Divisions Capital Plan JT Foster Priority number one, ABD added
 - Discussion with Town of Fort Macleod on site for Aquaponics Greenhouse and current structures.
- Budget/Yearend:
 - Financial Statement Peer Review
 - Final Funding Allocation Review
 - Budget/Financial Meetings with New Administrators
 - Granum
 - FPW
 - CCHS
 - Scheduled MHHS, Colonies
 - Enrolment September 30th data collection
- Negotiations Committee
 - Initial Meeting with CUPE
- ASBO Conference Professional Development
 - o How to Prepare a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
 - Strengthening Internal Controls, Improving Efficiency, and Reducing Fraud Risk of Student Activity Funds
 - o "Embrace the Shake: Transforming Problems into Opportunities" Phil Hansen
 - Making School Finance Understandable
 - o "The Power of One" Manny Scott Original Freedom Writer
 - o The 10 Most Important Things to Know About Transportation
 - o Understanding the Impact of Risk Management in Your Schools
 - o Developing Stakeholder Financial Literacy
- Other Meetings:
 - o Admin Council Meeting
 - Internal Control Review
 - Insurance Bulletin: Sports Related Concussions and Brain Injuries
 - Enrollment Update
 - Staff Meeting
 - o Senior Administration Leadership Meetings
 - Monthly Meetings with Maintenance, Transp. and Health and Safety

Key Areas for Next Month

- Committee Meetings School Fees, Funding Allocation, PD, Facilities
- Audit, Negotiations
- School Visits to new Administrators
- Continuation of Form and Admin Procedure Review