

## **Swan Valley School Division**

Topic: Executive Summary – October 9, 2018 Board Meeting

**Date:** October 11, 2018

From: Tim Mendel, Superintendent/CEO

1. The Superintendent informed the Board that contact had been made with all universities looking for current as well as potential future teachers. We have had some local applicants that have degrees in the area of teaching we require; however, they are not certified teachers. Plans are now underway to gain Limited Teaching Permits and to encourage the applicants to gain their teacher credentials.

- 2. The Superintendent has requested some budget money to begin a more aggressive recruitment campaign. The plan would be to entice student teachers to do their student teaching in the Swan Valley. A plan will be presented to the Board for approval.
- 3. The Board has agreed to support the Local Foundation Gala Fundraiser. The Foundation has supported many school initiatives and scholarships over the years.
- 4. Enrollment is down in the Division. At the end of September 2017, enrollment was 1,412 FTE. At the end of September 2018, enrollment is 1,384 FTE. FTE = Full Time Equivalent. The province only funds Kindergarten students .50, local taxes pay for the other .50.
- 5. A reminder to please make sure you vote on October 24.
- 6. The Board was informed that the auction conducted on October 6 by the School Division raised \$5,800. Proceeds went to support High School Athletic Programs. A big thanks to everyone involved in making the event a success.
- 7. Provincial Soccer Championships are being held in Swan River this weekend. Please come out and support the local teams. Big thanks to all the volunteers for making the event possible.

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