



Swan Valley School Division

Topic: Executive Summary of the December 12, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
Date: December 13, 2016
From: Tim Mendel, Superintendent/CEO

1. The Board approved two Band Trips for ESRSS. One trip is in Manitoba to the Brandon Jazz Festival and the other is to the Moose Jaw/Regina Spring Fest.
2. The Numeracy Committee presented an Early Numeracy Intervention Proposal to the Board. The proposal entails hiring Numeracy experts to work with small groups of students who have difficulty in the area of Numeracy. The idea is to provide those students with short term targeted intervention. The Board will consider this proposal during budget deliberations in the new year.

Thanks to the members of the Numeracy Committee for their work.

3. A number of Trustees reported back to the whole Board in regards to a MSBA PD event that they attended. All who attended found the information from the PD event useful and worthwhile. Trustees always report back to the whole Board after they attend a PD event.
4. Administration was asked to write a letter to Public Health to inquire why home visits and support is no longer offered to families in need when faced with lice infestation. In the past, Public Health would visit homes and support families to rectify the problem; this is no longer the case.
5. During his opening, Trustee Wowchuk provided a brief overview of history in the Valley. He shared info on past inhabitants, archaeological evidence, artifacts and pictures of sacred sites, etc. Very informative presentation.
6. Trustees had positive comments about the AAA Feast held at the Regional School on December 6. Big thanks to the organizers for all their work in making the event a success.
7. Trustees discussed the Support Staff Recognition evening. Great event. Discussion about the gifts and maybe giving people a choice of receiving a gift or a gift card. The Board also wondered whether it was time to have just one evening instead of two separate events; one for support staff and one for teachers. Administration to perhaps conduct a survey and talk to reps to get feedback.