



# The Blackboard

Grand Erie District School Board's Highlights from the Boardroom

REGULAR BOARD MEETING | AUGUST 29, 2016

## Welcome Back and High School Registration

Welcome back events begin this week to welcome new Grade 9 students and all students to secondary schools in Grand Erie. Dates for high school registration can be found here: <http://bit.ly/1qxM1LO>



## Grand Erie Launches Multi-Year Plan 2016-2020

Grand Erie District School Board is setting a new direction to help guide the work we do for our students. Success for Every Student is at the centre of our new Multi-Year Plan.

We will achieve this through a focus on students and staff in a culture of high expectations. The indicators that will support our goal include Achievement, Well-Being, Equity, Environment, Technology, and Community.

- Click here to visit the Multi-Year Plan website: <http://bit.ly/2c9ZKgh>



## Annual Operating Plans – School Year 2016-17

The Senior Administration and staff of the Board have prepared the Annual Operating Plans to guide their work and the work of the system. These plans have evolved over the years, as the planning process has changed to meet system needs and this year the structure has changed to address the components of the new 2016-2020 Multi-Year Plan. To align with the indicators of the 2016-2020 Multi-Year Plan, there are five Annual Operating Plans – Well-Being, Technology, Community, Equity and Environment.

The Draft Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement which will be presented to the Board in mid-September covers all the achievement areas including Special Education and Aboriginal Education and serves as the annual operating plan for the Achievement indicator in the 2016-2020 Multi-Year Plan.

The plans are in no way meant to represent all work that is done in the Board. They are intended to set out, at a fairly high level, a clear direction for Senior Administration and our schools.

To view the Annual Operating Plans, click here:

- **Well-Being:** <http://bit.ly/2c4ORIQ>
- **Technology:** <http://bit.ly/2bMJ0Lj>
- **Community:** <http://bit.ly/2c0vpip>
- **Equity:** <http://bit.ly/2c0uM8g>
- **Environment:** <http://bit.ly/2c0uBda>



## Camp SAIL

Camp SAIL provides students with an opportunity to continue their learning during the summer months. Students focus on literacy and numeracy in the morning, while reading and oral communication is built into the afternoon recreation program. The camp is designed to bridge the gap between the end of the school year and the start of a new year and reintroduce students to the daily routine of school.

- To read more, click here: <http://bit.ly/2bvR0Th>
- Visit #GECampSail2016 on Twitter



## Major Construction Projects Report

École Confédération is the focus of this report and the Board is pleased to welcome families and students into the new school on the first day.

- To view the report, click here: <http://bit.ly/2bx6Ewk>



## Focus on Youth

More than 40 Grand Erie secondary students were hired and placed at various Grand Erie sites and community organizations throughout the district. Through Focus on Youth, a Ministry of Education funded program, students were given full-time employment opportunities with various not-for-profit groups in Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk.

- Read more here: <http://bit.ly/2bzY5N1>



## 2014-2015 Energy Consumption/Conservation Report

Trustees received the 2014-15 Energy Consumption/Conservation Report as information. Each school board is required to report the total consumption of all energy types for all facilities. The use of electricity, natural gas and all other energy sources for each building must be identified within the report. School boards are required to submit their completed report to the Ministry of Energy, post the report on both the internet and intranet sites, and provide a hard copy at their office to any interested member of the public.

- The annual report for 2014-15 is attached <http://bit.ly/2bw7w2u>



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## ADDITIONAL ITEMS

**Memorial:** The following memorials statements were read:

- Ashton VanEvery, Brantford Collegiate Institute & Vocational School
- Katherine O'Hara, Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School

OPSBA Membership for 2016-2017: <http://bit.ly/2bRk4Bo>

Summary of Accounts - June 2016: <http://bit.ly/2bVbRgW>

Summary of Accounts - July 2016: <http://bit.ly/2c0v5jr>

**Approval of Next Year CW and Board Schedules of Agenda Items**

- Committee of the Whole: <http://bit.ly/2c3ksLL>
- Regular Board: <http://bit.ly/2cmF328>

**Approval of the IPRC Composition:** Trustees approved the Identification, Placement and Review Committee structure and jurisdiction as set out in the IPRC Terms of Reference included in Bylaw 8.

- Learn more and read the report at the following link: <http://bit.ly/2cmG7my>

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