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Grand Erie District School Board's Highlights from the Boardroom

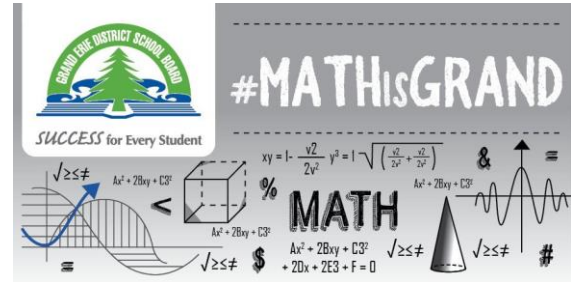
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD MEETING | JUNE 12, 2017

All reports for the Committee of the Whole Board Meeting can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2sTO32I>

Renewed Math Strategy:

Initiated by the Ministry of Education and adapted by Grand Erie, the 2016-17 school year is the launch of the Renewed Math Strategy. The strategy is designed to support mathematical learning from Kindergarten to Grade 12, including a focus on the strengths and needs of students with learning disabilities.

Mathematics is a fundamental skill that all students need to succeed. The Renewed Math Strategy reinforces Grand Erie's commitment to differentiate instruction, increase our educators' knowledge in mathematics and strengthen their expertise in teaching practices. The Math strategy team recently presented to colleagues in boards across the province at the Ministry of Education's Spring Symposium.



Watch the video here: https://youtu.be/vo_UuyfllTo

'Healthy Schools' certification highlights Grand Erie commitment to health, well-being:

Six Grand Erie schools are celebrating a new status this month as part of a commitment to promoting and enhancing the health and well-being of students, staff, and the wider community.

Prince Charles Public School and North Ward School are the proud recipients of gold status through Ophea, which charts completion of the 6-Step Healthy Schools Process over the course of the year. Banbury Heights Elementary School and Pauline Johnson Collegiate & Vocational School received silver, and Bellview Elementary School and Princess Elizabeth School secured bronze.



Ophea uses a point system to measure school's efforts, aligning with the Ministry of Education's Foundations for a Healthy School resource. Click here to read story on Grand Erie's website: <http://bit.ly/2selldK>

2017-18 Operating Budget: The 2017-18 Operating Budget was recommended for approval and information will be shared in a formal media release once approved at the Regular Board Meeting on June 26, 2017.

Compensatory Education Plan – Trustees recommended that approval to receive the Compensatory Education Outcomes Monitoring Report 2016-17 and the Higher Improvement in Performance in Schools Strategy for 2017-18.

Boundary Reviews:

Darlene Losier and Lindsay Rennie presented as delegates related to the Caledonia Boundary Review.

- **South West Brantford Boundary Review Report:** Trustees recommended the approval to amend the school boundaries for Ryerson Heights and Walter Gretzky Elementary Schools and the creation of a Holding School Boundary for assignment to a future elementary school.
- **Caledonia Boundary Review Report – Elementary:** Trustees recommended the approval to amend the school boundaries for Caledonia Centennial and Seneca Central Elementary School with the grandfathering of current family enrolment in Seneca Central.
- **Caledonia Boundary Review Report – Secondary:** The Grand Erie District School Board recommended to approve the following motions:
 - THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Secondary School boundaries for the McClung Avalon Estate to Cayuga Secondary School.
 - THAT the Grand Erie District School Board directs staff to bring a report to initiate a boundary review for the catchment of McKinnon Park Secondary School to the Committee of the Whole meeting in September.

Annual Review of the Special Education Plan: Trustees recommended to approve the Annual Review of the Special Education Plan, and the submission of two copies of the plan, and the Special Education Report Components Checklist to the Regional Office of the Ministry of Education.

Contract Extension Allocation of Self-Contained Classrooms: Trustees recommended the approval of the locations and number of self-contained classrooms that resulted from contract extension funding for 2017-18 as outlined, pending budget approval.

Implications of 2017-18 Friday the 13th Events on the Lakewood Elementary School: Trustees recommended to approve that the board – on October 13, 2017, and April 13, 2018 - close Lakewood Elementary School to students (with staff reporting to school), cancel transportation within Port Dover, and organize group stops for secondary students.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Trustees received the following as information:

- Category III Trips (SO105)
- Compensatory Education Committee Terms of Reference (BL8)
- FT101 Smoke Free Environment
- HR102 Working with Blood Borne Infections

The following Bylaws, Policies and Procedures were recommended for approval:

- SO26 Events Planning and Organization
- Bylaw 8 - Committee of the Board

The following Policy will be shared to stakeholders for comment by November 3, 2017:

- SO14 Equity and Inclusive Education
- SO18 Environment Education and Stewardship
- SO19 Privacy Information Management