Committee of the Whole No.2 Board Meeting | Monday, November 9, 2015

# The Blackboard **Grand Erie District School Board's** Highlights from the Boardroom

## Honouring Remembrance Day

All schools across Grand Erie District School Board will participate in Remembrance Day assemblies, presentations and moments of silence to remember the members of the Armed Forces who have fallen in the line of duty. All flags will be at half-mast.



### Environment

#### Enrolment Growth Accommodation - French Immersion Program

C.Young, S.Medeiros, K.Bouwhuis, A.Irish Hoyle, A. Harmes and G. Baetz presented a delegation.

The Grand Erie District School Board recommended the approval of the following motion at the Regular Board Meeting, November 23, 2015:

- THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the implementation of delayed entry for French Immersion commencing September 2016, phasing out JK in 2016 and SK in 2017 and grandfathering existing students.
- implementation of a secondary French Immersion Program at North Park Collegiate commencing September 2016.



To view the Enrolment Growth Accommodation – French Immersion Program report, click here: http://bit.lv/1GTrMXG. For more information, visit The Future of French Immersion website: http://bit.ly/1WICebA

#### North Brant Elementary Accommodation Review Committee:

- A motion was recommended for approval that the Grand Erie District School Board include Burford District Elementary School into the North Brant Elementary Accommodation Review Committee (ARC)
- For information related to the North Brant Elementary ARC, visit: http://bit.ly/1GTfQoQ

Request to Rename Coronation School: The Grand Erie District School Board approved the formation of a Renaming Committee for Coronation School as per FT3. A motion to request to strike a renaming committee for Coronation Public School was recommended for approval.



### **City of Brantford French Immersion**

French Immersion Program Accommodating Enrolment Growth

#### **County of Brant French Immersion** North Brant Elementary Accommodation Review



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Special Needs Strategy Report – Integrated Rehabilitative Services Proposal: A proposed model for service delivery for Integrated Delivery of Rehabilitation Services was received by the Trustees as information. In October 2014, the Ministries of Children and Youth Services, Community and Social Services, Education and Health and Long-Term Care introduced the framework of a strategy designed to improve the delivery of services for children and youth with special needs in Ontario.

For more information, click here: http://bit.ly/1Y0aBrT

## Achievement

Grand Erie Learning Alternatives (GELA) Annual Report: The Grand Erie District School Board received the Grand Erie Learning Alternatives (GELA) & Continuing Education Report as information. Some of the program areas of GELA are highlighted in the report (Click here: http://bit.lv/1iOz8OA) include:

- Day School
- School Within a College (SWAC)
- Mature Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (MPLAR)
- Night School "Passion" Courses and Dual Credit Courses
- **Independent Learning** Credits (ILC)
- Heritage Languages Elementary Program)
- Night School

- Summer School (In-Class eLearning, Summer Literacy & Numeracy Program, & Reach Ahead)
- Personal Support Worker Certificate (PSW)
- Family Literacy Program
- **English** as a Second Language Program (ESL)
- Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (LINC)
- Bridges to Success (BTS)
- CareerLink



Data Report - EQAO Board Report of the 2014-2015 Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics: The Grand Erie District School Board received the Data Report - EQAO Board Report of the 2014-2015 Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics as information.

To view the Data report, click here: <a href="http://bit.ly/1Hrdr4W">http://bit.ly/1Hrdr4W</a>



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## Engagement

Parenting and Family Literacy Centres (PFLC): Barb Mitchell, Parenting and Family Literacy Centre Coordinator joined Linda De Vos, Superintendent responsible for Early Years programming to highlight progress made in the PFLCs located at Major Ballachey and Princess Elizabeth.

Learn about the number of students attending and the impact the program has on families by viewing the following report here: http://bit.lv/1kllztK



Educational Technology Update: The Grand Erie District School Board received the Educational Technology Plan Update as information. Phase 6 of the Educational Technology Plan is currently underway.

For more information and to read the Educational Technology report, click here: http://bit.ly/1lgHJgK



**Student Recognition Awards Program:** As part of the Annual Operating Plan – *Engagement,* Grand Erie will implement a Recognition Program that will be led by Dave Abbey, Superintendent of Education. As Grand Erie's highest honour, the program will celebrate students who have accomplished excellence in the areas of academics, athletics, and the arts, as well as excellence in the community. The name of the Student Recognition Awards Program is the Grand Erie District School Board Student Recognition Awards.

- A plan will be developed to inform staff and Administrators in January, 2016.
- More information will be shared on the following link: <a href="http://bit.lv/1L6V3]w">http://bit.lv/1L6V3]w</a>

**Draft Annual Update, Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2012-2017:** The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) requires boards of education to prepare a multi-year plan.

• An annual update is required and can be viewed at the following link: <a href="http://bit.ly/1SE3amZ">http://bit.ly/1SE3amZ</a>

Multi-Year Plan 2011 – 2015 Update: The Grand Erie District School Board's Multi-Year Plan was first approved by Trustees in May 2011. Over the last four years, the plan has served to provide a focused direction for system growth and improvement for staff and programs at all levels of the organization. Each year elements of the plan were reviewed and monitored by Trustees.

- During the spring of 2015, a formalized review of the 2011-2015 plan was undertaken involving trustees, students, parents and staff.
- To review the feedback and more information about the Multi-Year Plan 2011-15 Update, click here: <a href="http://bit.ly/1RJJ3mA">http://bit.ly/1RJJ3mA</a>



#### **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

The following reports were received as information:

- Health and Safety Annual Report 2014-2015: <a href="http://bit.ly/1HDgu4F">http://bit.ly/1HDgu4F</a>
- Trustees' Travel and PD Expenses (F3): http://bit.ly/1Y0c4OE
- Data Report Student Suspension 2014-2015: <a href="http://bit.ly/1kGXIUI">http://bit.ly/1kGXIUI</a>
- Data Report Student Expulsion 2014-2015: <a href="http://bit.ly/1Y0cipc">http://bit.ly/1Y0cipc</a>
- Tell Them From Me (2014-2015) Summary: <a href="http://bit.ly/1Mvop90">http://bit.ly/1Mvop90</a>