Regular Board Meeting | Monday January 25, 2016

The Blackboard

Grand Erie District School Board's
Highlights from the Boardroom

# Engagement

#### saveONenergy Retrofit Program

Katie Hashimoto, Supervisor of Energy & Environmental Conservation and Tom Krukowski, Division Manager, Facilities Services, were recognized for their work on the saveONenergy Retrofit Program.

On November 19, 2015, Halidmand County Hydro presented the Grand Erie School Board with an incentive cheque for \$14,115 for installing LED lighting in the Dunnville Secondary School Gymnasium through the



saveONenergy Retrofit Program. This is one project among 30 which Grand Erie Facility Services have applied to receive incentives towards energy efficiency upgrades. Combined these applications are valued at over \$70,000.

Shown in the picture: Katie and Tom Oldham, Manager of Facilities Services, with Sunil Bechar of Haldimand County Hydro, and Dunnville Secondary School Principal Jayne Chalmers receive an incentive cheque from the saveONenergy Retrofit Program.

• For more on the story, click here: <a href="http://bit.ly/1ZOJkrl">http://bit.ly/1ZOJkrl</a>

#### Family Literacy Day:

Family Literacy Day is a national awareness initiative created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999 and held annually on January 27 to raise awareness of the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy related activities as a family.

#### Bell Let's Talk on Wednesday, January 27, 2016

Grand Erie will be participating in Bell's all-day event Let's Talk. Staff and students across the Board are encouraged to join the conversation in support of increasing awareness, reducing stigma and helping to change behaviours and attitudes about mental health issues.

Hashtags to use include #BellLetsTalk and #GEBeWell



## Environment

### Major Construction Update (FT2)

Lakewood Daycare Retrofit, Coronation Redevelopment, and Major Ballachey Hub were items in the Major Construction Update report: <a href="http://bit.ly/1LBYMSc">http://bit.ly/1LBYMSc</a>

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#### **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

Memorial Statements were read for the following individuals:

- Denver Doolittle, Hagersville Secondary School
- Margaret Laratta, Thompson Creek
- Evan Leversage, St. George German School

Approval of Minutes: Trustees approved the minutes of December 14, 2015 (Inaugural Board Meeting), January 11, 2016 (Committee of the Whole No. 1), January 11, 2016 (Special Board) and January 18, 2016 (Committee of the Whole No. 2), January 18, 2016 (Special Board).

The following were received as information:

- Quarterly Budget Report: <a href="http://bit.ly/1SHc9XA">http://bit.ly/1SHc9XA</a>
- Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee Minutes December 15, 2015: <a href="http://bit.lv/1lKjHue">http://bit.lv/1lKjHue</a>
- Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes November 5, 2015: http://bit.ly/1ZYL112
- Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes December 10, 2015: http://bit.ly/1VkDnB6