



## School District No.59 (Peace River South)

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### Board Highlights for January 2018

#### ***Presentations:***

A presentation on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) was made to the board earlier in the day by Jan Proulx, District Principal. General information was provided as well as an update of the work that the district SOGI committee has been doing. The focus of the committee is in increasing awareness of SOGI issues and helping all students to feel safe in our schools.

SOGI 123 YouTube video link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3WbTTCxbVCU&t=2s>

#### ***Superintendent of Schools Report:***

##### **School/Student News**

Little Prairie Elementary announced two new playgrounds will be installed this summer. Funds were raised by the school PAC and additional grants were received for a grand total of \$74,888.

Portables are set up and running at Moberly Elementary School and Devereaux Elementary School.

Ecole Frank Ross and Little Prairie Elementary Schools are sending a team of teachers to the Literacy Summit being held in Vancouver. A team from Canalta Elementary will be attending to present. A team from Canalta Elementary and Little Prairie Elementary presented at the Literacy Summit held in Calgary last fall.

Margot Southall is joining us again to provide in-service training to teachers at both the primary and intermediate levels.

Canalta and Pouce Coupe are collaborating on an Olympic themed project.

Teacher Librarians continue to receive in-service for the work they do in schools. The focus of the most recent training was literacy and supporting literacy in classrooms.

FSA data has been released to schools for the fall 2017 assessment. A tool has been developed to help teachers to use the FSA data to target individual needs of students.

##### **Student Discipline – November and December 2017**

There were 39 suspensions in total for the month of November with the majority of suspensions in the area of fighting and safety of others. For the month of December there were a total of 11 suspensions with the majority of suspensions connected to safety of others.

##### **Personnel Appointment**

The district is pleased to announce the appointments of Paul Chisholm and Jan Proulx as full time District Principals beginning August 1, 2018.

**Field Trip**

Final approval was granted for the DCSS – Central Campus field trip to Quebec on April 23 to May 11 for the French Immersion classes.

**Reports from the Secretary-Treasurer:****Finance Reports, Amended Operating Grant and Amended Budget/Bylaw 2017-18**

The Secretary Treasurer highlighted school budget and revenue reports. The first and second readings of the Amended Budget were completed. Final enrollment was 149.8 FTE higher than estimated, this resulted in the reduction of funding protection of \$1.38 million. The Operating Fund is budgeted at a deficit of \$1,880,462.

**Committee Reports****Policy Committee**

A motion was made to adopt the following policies: (motion carried)

- Policy & Regulation 2050: Inaugural Meeting
- Policy & Regulation 2051: Organizational Meeting

**Important Dates:**

Date:	Event:
February 2, 2018	Non-Instructional Day - students do not attend school
February 12, 2018	Family Day Holiday - schools closed
February 21, 2018	Open Board Meeting - 1 pm @ School Board Office
February 21-22, 2018	Early Dismissal
March 14, 2018	Open Board Meeting - 1 pm @ School Board Office
March 19-29, 2018	Spring Break – schools closed
March 30, 2018	Good Friday Holiday – schools closed
April 2, 2018	Easter Holiday – schools closed