

**NORTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2-2019**

To the Chair and Members  
Winnipeg Public School Board:

November 14, 2019

The North District Advisory Committee reports as follows:

**1. Election of Committee Chair**

At the Inaugural meeting of the Board held on September 16, 2019, Trustee Betty Edel was appointed as the Board's representative and Trustee Linda Schatkowsky was appointed as the Board's alternate representative to this Committee. Trustee Edel welcomed everyone to the first North District Advisory Committee meeting for the 2019/2020 school year.

The parent representative from Garden Grove School volunteered to Chair the North District Advisory Committee meetings.

**2. WSD 2020/2021 Budget Consultation**

The Committee received an overview on the Budget Consultation for the 2020/2021 school year.

The Committee was informed the Board is committed to obtain feedback from school communities, parent councils, residents and staff groups for the 2020/2021 school budget. The District Advisory meetings will provide parent representatives with an opportunity to share feedback, ideas and questions with the trustees in their local area.

The Committee was informed that it is anticipated that the Provincial funding announcement will be made in late January/early February. Once the announcement is received, the Finance/Personnel Committee of the Board will prepare final recommendations for approval by the Board of Trustees. Budget information will be distributed to all schools, parent councils, student councils, advisory committees, employee groups and others on request, and posted on Division's website.

The Committee was informed that District Advisory Committee meetings will be scheduled in February to provide an opportunity for dialogue and discussion about the draft budget. A Public Meeting regarding the draft budget will be held on February 24, 2020. The deadline to receive feedback regarding the budget will be received by the Board until March 2, 2020. All feedback will be considered by Finance/Personnel Committee. The Board of Trustees will approve the budget at its meeting to be held March 9, 2020. The Board must finalize the budget by March 13, 2020, as required by legislation.

The Committee was informed that the two major sources of funding are the Province of Manitoba and the property tax levy. In the most recent budget, provincial funding provided only 58.3% of the total revenue required to balance the WSD budget. The second major source of funding is from property taxation which provided an additional 38.5% of the total revenue. The remaining three percent is revenue from other sources such as the federal government, First Nations authorities and other school divisions who use WSD resources.

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The Committee was informed it is anticipated that the report from the province regarding the K-12 Education Review will be released in March 2020. The Committee was encouraged to continue to provide feedback to their elective officials.

### 3. **Manitoba Association of Parent Councils (MAPC)**

The Committee was provided with an overview on the role and services provided by MAPC. The Committee was informed that MAPC is dedicated to supporting, promoting, and enhancing meaningful involvement of parents and caregivers within school communities, representing their voice to all educational stakeholders to improve the education and well-being of children in Manitoba.

Parents were encouraged to register as a member for the 2019/2020 school year.

### 4. **2019/2020 District Advisory Committee Dates**

The Committee was informed of the following schedule of the District Advisory Committees for the 2019/2020 school year:

#### **Inner City District Advisory Committee** **6:30 p.m.**

Tuesday, November 5, 2019  
Wednesday, February 5, 2020  
Wednesday, April 22, 2020

#### **Central District Advisory Committee** **7:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, November 19, 2019  
Tuesday, February 4, 2020  
Thursday, April 30, 2020

#### **French Immersion Advisory Committee** **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, November 27, 2019  
Thursday, February 20, 2020  
Thursday, May 7, 2020

#### **South District Advisory Committee** **7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, November 7, 2019  
Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
Tuesday, April 28, 2020

#### **North District Advisory Committee** **7:00 p.m.**

Thursday, November 14, 2019  
Tuesday, February 18, 2020  
Tuesday, May 5, 2020

#### **Student Advisory Committee** **4:30 p.m.**

Wednesday, November 20, 2019  
Wednesday, February 19, 2020  
Wednesday, May 6, 2020

Respectfully Submitted,

BETTY EDEL  
Trustee Representative

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**IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Voting Representatives:**

Champlain School  
Garden Grove School  
Inkster School  
École Lansdowne School  
Meadows West School  
Robertson School  
Shaughnessy Park School  
Sisler High School  
St. John's School  
Stanley Knowles School

**Non-Voting/Resource Members:**

Community Support Worker, Champlain School  
W.A.N.T.E. Representative

**Administration:**

Fatima Mota, Superintendent of Education Services  
Tony Marchione, Acting Director, Technology  
Dino DiFabrizio, Principal, Inkster School  
Wendy Verbong, Principal, Ralph Brown School  
Jude Guzzi, Principal, Robertson School  
Pat Graham, Principal, Shaughnessy Park School  
Doug Taylor, Principal, St. Johns' High School  
Colin Bruce-Smith, Vice-Principal, St. Johns' High School  
Ainslie Loria, Vice-Principal, Stanley Knowles School  
Gisele Mospanchuk, Principal, Tyndall Park School  
Thérèse Deleurme, Recording Secretary, Board of Trustees

**Trustees:**

Betty Edel  
Linda Schatkowsky