



# North East School Division

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## Board of Education Meeting Hi-Lites

### **January 20, 2015 Regular Meeting**

#### **Special Presentation**

Literacy in the NESD – Katie White, Coordinator of Learning

The Board participated in a discussion on the work being done with students in the area of literacy. A formative reading assessment for grade five students was shared with board members to demonstrate how classroom teachers can use and apply a consistent measure of “grade level” reading to inform whole class instruction and to differentiate for individual student needs.

#### **Principles and Policy Items**

School Year Calendar Development for 2015-2016

The Director of Education shared two potential calendars for the 2015-2016 school year. The Board approved circulation of the calendars and asks that School Community Councils decide on a preferred version. The Board will finalize the calendar for the 2015-2016 school year at its regular monthly Board Meeting on March 17, 2015

Audit Committee Charter and Board Policy

The Board revised its Audit Committee Charter and Board Policy to allow for an external advisor to be a member of the Audit Committee of the Board. This practice has been identified as a “promising” practice of effective oversight and governance.

#### **Strategic Direction Items**

Annual General Meeting Date Change - Tuesday, March 24, 2015

The Annual Meeting of Electors of the North East School Division will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday March 24, 2015 in the John Baron Auditorium at the Tisdale RecPlex.

School Community Council Engagement

The Board made plans to link with four of the School Community Council’s over the course of the next several weeks. This annual linkage is a part of an engagement strategy to communicate with all SCCs on a regular basis and to meet in all school communities over the four year term of the elected board.

Value Stream Mapping Event - January 16 report out

Board member Marla Walton reported on the Value Stream Mapping event which took place January 13-16, 2015. The event provided an opportunity for several staff to work together and hear the voice of the parent and

the teacher to improve the response to interventions for individual student needs. Ms. Walton participated in the close out report which took place at the end of the event. Short term and medium term goals have been established to improve the services provided to students and parents in the area of Response to Intervention (RTI).

### Enterprise Risk Management

The Board discussed the oversight and processes of Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) and decided that the administration will continue to work with the whole board rather than with the newly established Audit Committee on ERM.

### **Monitoring and Reporting Items**

#### Audit Committee Memo & reports

The Board reviewed a memo and reports from the January 6 meeting of the Audit Committee and found them acceptable by a motion of the Board.

#### School Community Council LIP Approvals & Government of Canada Apology to Residential School Survivors

An update on the status of SCC approvals of Learning Improvement Plans and the recognition of the Government of Canada Apology to Residential Schools was received by the Board.

The Board will next meet in Committee on Monday, February 2<sup>th</sup> prior to the next scheduled Public Board Meeting on February 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the Division Office in Melfort.

All of the above referenced documents are being posted to the Division website at [www.nesd.ca](http://www.nesd.ca).  
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