

Committee Meeting Agenda March 14, 2018 – 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order

2. Consideration of Agenda

- 2.1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda
- 2.2 Approval of Agenda

3. Appointments

3.1 Programs for Students of Military Personnel, Ms. HelenJane Tarso, School Liaison Coordinator, Edmonton Garrison Military Family Resource Centre

4. Approval of Committee Notes

- 4.1 Amendment/Correction of Notes
- 4.2 Approval of Committee Notes February 14, 2018

5. Presentations

6. Reports from Senior Administration

7. Reports from Trustees and Standing Committees

- 7.1 Chair's Report
- 7.2 Trustees Report
- 7.3 Building & Maintenance
- 7.4 Finance & Human Resources
- 7.5 Education Policy
- 7.6 Advocacy Committee
- 7.7 Transportation

8. Reports from Special Committees/Task Groups

- 8.1 Alberta School Boards' Association Zone 2/3
- 8.2 Public School Boards' Association of Alberta
- 8.3 Teacher Board Advisory Committee (Policy Advisory ATA)
- 8.4 Labour Management Committee (Policy Review CUPE)
- 8.5 Community Services Advisory Board

9. New Business

- 9.1 Policy Tracker
- 9.2 Policy D/I/11 Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower)
- 9.3 Policy D/III/1 Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights
- 9.4 Policy D/III/2 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression
- 9.5 Policy F/IV/4 Student Conduct
- 9.6 2019 2020 Capital Plan Priorities
- 10. Question Period
- 11. Unfinished Business
- 12. Information Items
- 13. Pending List
- 14. Adjournment



Notes of the Meeting of The Committee of the Whole Held at Morinville on February 14, 2018

Roll Call

Present were Trustees: Mr. Terry Jewell (Chair); Mrs. Tasha Oatway-McLay (Vice Chair); Mrs. Misty Featherly; Mrs. Liz Kohle; Mrs. Janine Pequin; Mr. Shane Sherwin; Dr. Michèle Dick (Superintendent); Mrs. Iva Paulik (Secretary Treasurer); Mrs. Ruth Kuik (Associate Superintendent, Education Services); Mr. Thomas Holmes (Associate Superintendent, Human Resources & Leadership Support)

Absent: Joe Dwyer

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Consideration of Agenda

- 2.1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda
 - 9.11 External Auditor
- 2.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved by Mrs. Kohle that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED 6/0

Appointments

3.1 Sturgeon Heights School, Lord's Prayer Parent Survey, Mr. Jonathan Konrad, Principal, Sturgeon Heights School

Mr. Jonathan Konrad, Principal, Sturgeon Heights School provided a verbal report with respect to the Lord's Prayer Parent Survey results.

Approval of Committee Notes

- 4.1 Amendment/Correction of Notes
- 4.2 Approval of Committee Notes

Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the notes of January 17, 2018 be approved.

CARRIED 6/0

Presentations

Reports from Senior Administration

6.0 Senior Admin Report

Administration presented a verbal and written report on behalf of Senior Admin on the following:

- Blanket Exercises for Primary Grades
- Recruitment Video
- Sturgeon Composite High School Football Proposal
- Field Trips

Reports from Trustees and Standing Committees

7.1 Chair's Report

Trustee Jewell reported that he attended:

- Gibbons School Council Meeting
- Teacher's Convention Luncheon

Recruitment for the new Superintendent has started.

7.2 Trustees' Reports

<u>Trustee Featherley</u> (Morinville Area)

Trustee Featherley reported that she attended:

- Morinville School Council Meeting
- Morinville Rotary Breakfast Meeting
- Shaping the Future Conference

<u>Trustee Kohle (Bon Accord/Legal Area)</u>

Trustee Kohle reported that she attended:

 Jack and the Beanstalk Opera at Bon Accord Community School

<u>Trustee Oatway-McLay (Cardiff/Garrison Area)</u>

Trustee Oatway-McLay reported that she attended:

- Meeting with Namao School Principal
- Meeting with Guthrie School Principal
- Blanket Ceremony

<u>Trustee Pequin (Redwater/Coronado Area)</u>

Trustee Pequin reported that she attended:

Redwater School Council Meeting

<u>Trustee Sherwin (Sturgeon Valley/West St. Albert Area)</u>

Trustee Sherwin reported that he attended:

- Sturgeon Heights School Council Meeting
- Community Services Advisory Board Meeting

7.3 Building

No report was provided.

7.4 Finance & Human Resources

Business with respect to the External Auditor will be presented at 'item 9.11 - External Auditor'.

7.5 Education Policy

A verbal report was provided.

7.6 Advocacy

A verbal report was provided on the following:

- Naming school sections of Four Winds Public School:
 - > Formal announcement in the newspaper and plaques for the school.
 - > Inviting families for a sod-turning ceremony.
- Art wall at Board office.
- Planning meetings with County and the Town of Morinville.
- Recommendation to meet with MLA's.

7.7 Transportation

A Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 23, 2018.

Reports from Special Committees/Task Groups

8.1 Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3

No report was provided.

Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3 Meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2018.

8.2 Public School Boards Association of Alberta

A verbal report was provided.

8.3 Teacher Board Advisory Committee (ATA)

A verbal was provided.

8.4 Labour Management Committee (CUPE)

No report was provided.

8.5 Community Services Advisory Board

A verbal report was provided.

New Business

9.1 Policy Tracker

The Policy Tracker was received as information.

9.2 Policy E/IV/4 - Employee Absences

Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the Board of Trustees refer Policy E/IV/4 - Employee Absences to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.3 Policy F/I/4 - Copyright

Moved by Mrs. Kohle that the Board of Trustees refer Policy F/I/4 - Copyright to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.4 Policy F/IV/1 - School Attendance Policy

Moved by Mrs. Pequin that the Board of Trustees refer Policy F/IV/1 - School Attendance Policy to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.5 Policy I/I0 - Cell Phone Use

Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the Board of Trustees refer Policy I/IO – Cell Phone Use to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.6 Sturgeon Heights School, Lord's Prayer Parent Survey Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the Board of Trustees refer Sturgeon Heights School, Lord's Prayer to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.7 Camilla Replacement School Update

Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the Board of Trustees refer the Camilla School Replacement Design 2.2, also known as Design 7B to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.8 Draft Operational School Year Calendar, 2019 -2020

Moved by Mrs. Oatway-McLay that the Board of Trustees defer the Draft Operational School Year Calendar, 2019 - 2020 to the April 25, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.9 Pride Parade

A verbal and written report regarding the Pride activities Sturgeon ATA Local No. 27 is considering for 2018 was received as information.

9.10 Sponsorship of Alberta School Councils' Association Conference – School Council Registration Fees

Moved by Mrs. Kohle that the Board of Trustees refer the reimbursement of registration fees up to a maximum of \$350.00 per school for the Alberta School Councils' Association Conference, as an ongoing sponsorship to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

9.11 External Auditor

Moved by Mr. Jewell that the Board of Trustees refer the following two items to the February 28, 2018 Board Meeting:

- 1. Extending the existing External Auditor's contract for the 2017 2018 school year.
- 2. Administration to bring a proposal with respect to an External Auditor RFP to the October 10, 2018 Open Committee of the Whole Meeting.

CARRIED 6/0

Question Period

Unfinished Business

Information Items

Pending List

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.

Discussions on items are held at Committee of the Whole Meetings. Decisions on items are made at Board Meetings.



Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Senior Administration

Subject:

Seniors' Report

It is exciting to highlight the newly formed Sturgeon Public School Division Junior High Choir. Under the direction of Mr. Kyle Swenson, Music teacher, this group of keen and eager students meets one evening/week at Sturgeon Composite High School to share in their love of singing. This being its inaugural year, the choir has attracted students from four different schools in the division.

In each of their rehearsals, students practice proper singing techniques, voice projection, and interesting choir repertoire. They are supported by a full time accompanist and director, and they also have additional assistance from professional guest artists.

We are looking forward to seeing how this locally developed choir will grow in coming years and are very appreciative of the support and dedication Mr. Swenson and his team are providing to ensure our students from Grades 7-9 can learn and grow as singers. In turn, they share a big thank you to the Board of Trustees for their ongoing support of music instruction and the Fine and Performing Arts.



Date: Mar

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Ruth Kuik, Associate Superintendent, Education Services

Subject:

Fieldtrip Report

Field Trips

Board Policy F/II/2, "Field Trips" and Administrative Practice Administration 5, "Field Trip Operational Procedures" require that "the principal must have the approval of the Superintendent for field trips that are overnight or exceed two (2) school days and/or are outside of the Province of Alberta". The Administrative Practice further stipulates that "the Board shall be provided, as information, all field trips that are overnight and/or out-of-province".

Overnight:

Sturgeon Composite High School

December 18 - 23, 2018

Approval in principle for Girls & Boys Senior Basketball Teams to travel to Orlando, Florida for an international tournament.



Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Michèle Dick, Superintendent

Subject:

Policy Tracker

Background:

Attached for Trustee information is the 2017 – 2018 SY Policy Tracker.

POLICY TRACKER (School Year 2017-2018)

Policy Number August-17 September-17	Policy	Board Direction to Proceed	Committee Review	Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)	Final Draft Review	Recommendation to Approve
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E/II/2 Trustee R	Trustee Renumeration and Expense Reimbursement	2017-Nov-8	Forwarded to Brd Retreat Jan 2018			
F/I/05 Healthy S	Healthy School Communities	2017-Nov-8				Approved 2017-Nov-22
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D/II/02	School Operation in Emergency	2018-Jan-17	Ref. from Mar 22/17 PB			Approved 2017-Jan-31
D/II/08	School Buildings Alternative Utilization or Closure	2018-Jan-17	Ref. from Mar 22/17 PB			Approved 2017-Jan-31
D/II/09	School Inclement Weather Policy	2018-Jan-17	Ref. from Mar 22/17 PB			Rescinded 2017-Jan-31
F/I/02	Challenge of Learning Resources	2018-Jan-17	Ed Policy 2017-Sept.			Approved 2017-Jan-31
F/I/13	Controversial Issues in Education	2018-Jan-17	2012			Approved 2017-Jan-31
G/II/08	Crisis and Critical Incidents	2018-Jan-17				Approved 2017-Jan-31
1/03	Inclement Weather	2018-Jan-17	Ref. from Mar 22/17 PB			Approved 2017-Jan-31
1/10	Cell Phone Use	2018-Jan-17	6			Approved 2017-Jan-31
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E/IV/3	Employee Absences	2018-Feb-14				
F/1/4	Copyright	2018-Feb-14				
F/IV/1	School Attendance Policy	2018-Feb-14				
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D/III/1	Equity, Diversity Inclusion and Human Rights	2018-Mar-14				
D/III/2	Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression	2018-Mar-14				
D/1/11	Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower)	2018-Mar-14				



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D/I/6	Appeals	2018-Apr-11				
F/1/8	French Language Programs and Languages Other than French or English	2018-Apr-11				
F///11	Off-Campus Education	2018-Apr-11				
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May-18						
F/III/1	Student Records Management	2018-May-9				
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Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Thomas Holmes, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources &

Leadership Support

Subject:

Policy D/I/11 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower

Protection)

Background:

Attached for Trustee review is Policy D/I/11 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection). Suggested revisions are provided for Trustee consideration.

The associated Admin Practice Administration 12 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) is also attached for Trustee information.

Recommendation:

That the Committee of the Whole review Policy D/I/11 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) and advise Senior Administration accordingly.



D/I/11 – Public Interest Disclosure – (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)



EFFECTIVE: November 26, 2014 REVISED: REVIEW:

1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 The Board is committed to promoting ethical and accountable conduct, and recognizes the importance of working to deter and detect wrongdoing within the operations of Sturgeon Public School Division, and advancing public confidence in the administration of its affairs.
- 1.2 The Board is committed to maintaining a positive and supportive environment whereby employees can disclose potential wrongdoing, or seek advice about disclosing a potential wrongdoing, without fear of reprisal.
- 1.1 The Board believes that employees who report wrongdoing in the workplace, whether suspected illegal or dangerous acts, should be protected from reprisals.
- 1.2 The Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA) facilitates the disclosure and investigation of significant and serious matters in or relating to departments, public entities or offices of the Legislature that an employee believes may be unlawful, dangerous to the public or injurious to the public interest; to protect employees who make those disclosures; to manage and investigate disclosures of wrongdoing and reprisals; and to promote public confidence in the administration of public entities. Sturgeon-School Division is deemed a 'public entity' for purposes of this legislation.

References: Admin Practice(s) Administration 26 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act

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ADMINISTRATION 26 – Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act

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1.0 RATIONALE

- 1.1 The Division has a responsibility to detect wrongdoing in order to positively impact the reputation, effectiveness and finances of the Division, and enhance the working environment for all employees.
- 1.2 The Division shall provide clear guidance for the safe disclosure of any wrongdoing and to protect employees against retaliatory action for complaints made in good faith.
- 1.3 The Division shall provide a process for managing, investigating and making recommendations respecting disclosures of wrongdoings and reprisals consistent with the Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower) Act (PIDA). Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act, PIDA, facilitates the disclosure and investigation of unlawful, dangerous, wasteful and irresponsible actions in the public service by protecting individuals who report such actions from reprisal.

2.0 PROCESS

The Chief Education Officer (CEO) is the Superintendent of the Board and responsible for the administration and reporting required under PIDA. The Associate Superintendent of Human Resources and Leadership Support is the "Designated Officer" to manage and investigate disclosures under PIDA.

3.0 DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 Wrongdoing A wrongdoing is defined as one of the following, within or relating to the Board or its employees:
 - 3.1.1 A contravention of a federal or provincial act or regulation.
 - 3.1.2 An action or omission that creates:

References: Board Policy: D/l/11 - Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

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- 3.1.2.1 A substantial and specific danger to the life, health or safety of individuals other than a danger that is inherent in the performance of the duties or functions of an employee;
- 3.1.2.2 a substantial and specific danger to the environment;
- 3.1.2.3 gross mismanagement of public funds or a public asset, and
- 3.1.2.4 knowingly directing or counselling an individual to commit a wrongdoing mentioned above.
- 3.2 Reprisal A reprisal is an adverse employment action including: dismissal, layoff, suspension, demotion, transfer, discontinuation or elimination of a job, change of job location, reduction in wages, changes to hours of work, reprimand or any measure that adversely affects the employee's employment or working conditions, including threats to do any of the aforementioned actions.
- 3.3 Good Faith An employee who submits a disclosure of wrongdoing or complaint of reprisal must act in good faith. Good faith describes being honest of purpose, faithful to one's duty or obligation, and an honest intention to abstain from taking advantage of another.

4.0 GUIDELINES

Definitions:

- (a) 'employee' means a certificated or non-certificated individual employed by the Employer who has suffered a reprisal involving termination of employment-or termination of any professional privileges generally provided to all other employees;
- (b) 'employer' means Sturgeon School Division # 24, and for these purposes, the Superintendent and designates;

References:

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- (c) 'Commissioner' means the individual appointed by the Government of Alberta to provide overall administration of this Regulation;
- (d) 'officer' means anyone officially appointed by the Commissioner to administer, report and make recommendations on reported violations of this Regulation;
- (e) 'wrongdoing' means (1) a contravention of a federal or-provincial act or regulation, or (2) an act or omission-that-creates a substantial danger to the life, health or safety of individuals, or (3) a danger to the environment, or (4) gross mismanagement of public funds or assets, or (5) knowingly counselling another-person to commit any of the above;
- (a) 'reprisal' means dismissal, layoff, suspension, demotion, transfer, job-elimination, reduction in wages, change in hours or reprimand, or a threat to do any of the above reprisals.

Confidentiality

- 4.1 Maintaining confidentiality is critical to the success of the process. Accordingly, the risk of confidentiality will be strictly managed from the outset of a disclosure being received through to the end of the investigation and report release. Employees must not share information or evidence regarding disclosures or wrongdoing with fellow employees who do not have a need to know such information and who are not authorized to address disclosures. The Designated Officer will enhance confidentiality, by sharing information with as few people as are required to handle disclosures. Confidentiality is also subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
- 4.2 All participants in an investigation shall keep confidential:
 - 4.2.1 The identity of individuals involved in the disclosure process.
 - 4.2.2 The identity of individuals alleged to have committed the wrongdoings.
 - 4.2.3 The identity of witnesses.
 - 4.2.4 The information collected in relation to a disclosure.

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4.2.5 The details and results of the investigation provided however such confidentiality may not be maintained for matters which pose an imminent risk of a substantial and specific danger to life, health or safety of individuals, or to the environment.

Disclosures of Wrongdoing

- 4.3 Employees seeking advice on potential disclosure under PIDA and this policy shall be referred to the Designated Officer, who shall provide the employee with information on PIDA, this policy, the requirements of PIDA and this policy, and other alternative processes for resolution of the employee's concern.
- 4.4 An employee who reasonably believes that he or she has information that could show that a wrongdoing has been committed or is about to be committed, or who has been asked to commit a wrongdoing, has a duty to make a disclosure to the Designated Officer.
- 4.5 An employee who knowingly makes deliberately false and/or malicious allegations of wrongdoing may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.
- 4.6 At the time an employee makes a disclosure to the Designated Officer, the employee may also make the disclosure to the Commissioner and advise the Commissioner that the disclosure has been made to the employee's Designated Officer. Further information on contacting the Commissioner can be obtained by visiting the Commissioners website at www.vourvoiceprotected.ca.
- 4.7 An employee may only disclose directly to the Commissioner and circumvent their CEO and/or the Designated Officer if:
 - 4.7.1 The employee has made a disclosure in accordance with the expectations of this policy and an investigation has not been completed in accordance with these procedures;
 - 4.7.2 The employee has made a disclosure in accordance with the expectations of the disclosure requirements of this policy and the matter has not been resolved within the timelines established within these procedures;

References:

Board Policy:

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- 4.7.3 The employee has made a disclosure to the Designated Officer, but is unable to complete the disclosure requirements because of a reprisal directed towards the employee, or reasonably believes a reprisal is likely to be taken or directed towards them should the disclosure be made in accordance with these requirements;
- 4.7.4 The employee reasonably believes that a matter constitutes an imminent risk of a substantial and specific danger to the life, health or safety of individuals, or to the environment, such that there is insufficient time to make a disclosure to the Designated Officer, the Employee may make a complaint directly to the Commissioner. The employee must also disclose the wrongdoing to the Designated Officer as soon as practicable thereafter;
- 4.7.5 The employee has made a disclosure in accordance with this Policy, the investigation has been completed, a final decision has been issued in respect of the disclosure and the employee is dissatisfied with the decision, and/or
- 4.7.6 The subject matter of the disclosure involves the CEO or Designated Officer.
- 4.8 In the event that disclosure to the Designated Officer is not appropriate due to a conflict of interest with respect to the nature of the disclosure or the person involved, the Designated Officer shall refer the matter to the CEO.
- 4.9 In the event of a disclosure to the Designated Officer concerning the conduct of the CEO, or concerning which the CEO has a conflict of interest, the Designated Officer shall:
 - 4.9.1 Advise the Board Chair of the nature of the disclosure, whereupon the Board may authorize an investigation into the disclosure, and
 - 4.9.2 advise the Commissioner of the disclosure and its referral to the Board and seek advice from the Commissioner concerning whether the disclosure should be referred to the Commissioner.

References:

Board Policy:

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- 4.10 If the Designated Officer reasonably believes that the matter to which the disclosure relates constitutes an imminent risk of a substantial or specific danger to the life, health or safety of individuals, or to the environment, the Designated Officer shall as soon as reasonably practicable refer the disclosure to the Commissioner.
- 4.11 Notwithstanding whether a disclosure is referred to the Commissioner, where the Designated Officer is aware of:
 - 4.11.1 A disclosure relating to an imminent risk of a substantial or specific danger to the life, health or safety of individuals, or to the environment, or
 - 4.11.2 that the alleged wrongdoing, if true, may threaten the welfare of students, staff, or the safe and caring environment of the school, the Designated Officer shall also ensure that appropriate persons within the Board have sufficient information to abate that risk.
- 4.12 Where at any point following a disclosure, the Designated Officer has reason to believe that the alleged wrongdoing, if true, could potentially give rise to the opinion that the welfare of students is threatened by the presence of a teacher, the Designated Officer shall advise the CEO of the alleged wrongdoing for consideration of a possible administrative suspension under section 105(2) of the School Act.
- 4.13 Anonymous disclosures will be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of this practice.

Investigations

- 4.14 The Designated Officer may request advice from the Commissioner with respect to the management and investigation of a disclosure.
- 4.15 Upon receiving a disclosure, the Designated Officer shall make a decision whether to investigate.
- 4.16 Where the Designated Officer is of the opinion that the subject matter of a disclosure would be more appropriately dealt with by a department of the Government of Alberta, an office of

References: Board Policy: D/l/11 - Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

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Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent



Date: October 22, 2014

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of Human Resources and Leadership Support. Supt., HR

the Legislature, or another public entity, the Designated Officer shall report the subject matter of the disclosure to the Designated Officer of that other entity.

- 4.17 Should the subject matter of the disclosure be more appropriately dealt with according to another policy or procedure of the Board, another Act, or regulation, or procedures under a collective agreement or employment contract, the Designated Officer may decline to investigate under the parameters of this policy.
- 4.18 The Designated Officer may utilize both internal personnel and external resources, for the purpose of conducting the investigation.
- 4.19 The Designated Officer, and any person conducting an investigation on their behalf, may interview any person and shall have access to any document of the Board necessary for the investigation.
- 4.20 The Designated Officer shall ensure all disclosures, and information gathered in the course of investigating disclosures, including the identity of the person making the disclosure, those alleged to have committed the wrongdoing and witnesses, are maintained in confidence and disclosed only:
 - 4.20.1 As necessary for this policy and to conduct the investigation in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice;
 - 4.20.2 in accordance with PIDA or any other statute;
 - 4.20.3 if the disclosure of that information is necessary due to an imminent risk of a substantial and specific danger to the life, health or safety of individuals, or to the environment.
- 4.21 Investigations shall be conducted in accordance with the principles of procedural fairness and natural justice.
- 4.22 The Designated Officer may decline to investigate where the disclosure:

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- 4.22.1 Is clearly frivolous or vexatious, not been made in good faith, has not been made in a timely enough manner to permit an investigation, or does not deal with a wrongdoing;
- 4.22.2 relates to a decision, action or matter that results from a balanced and informed decision-making process on a public policy or operational issue; or
- 4.22.3 does not provide adequate particulars about the wrongdoing to permit the conduct of a fair and effective investigation.
- 4.23 Where in the course of an investigation, the Designated Officer has reason to believe that an offense has been committed under an Act or regulation of the Province of Alberta, or under an Act or regulation of the Parliament of Canada, the Designated Officer shall report the potential offense to the appropriate law enforcement authorities.
- 4.24 If more than one disclosure of wrongdoing is received by the Designated Officer in respect to the same matter, a single investigation may be conducted into the wrongdoing.
- 4.25 Where, in the course of an investigation, the Designated Officer has reason to believe that another wrongdoing has been committed or may be committed; the Designated Officer shall investigate that other potential wrongdoing as if a disclosure had been made.
- 4.26 The Designated Officer is not required to investigate a disclosure or, if an investigation has been initiated, may discontinue the investigation if more than 2 years has passed since the date that the wrongdoing was discovered.

Timelines

4.27 The Designated Officer shall acknowledge receipt of the disclosure or complaint of reprisal to the employee making the disclosure or complaint within five (5) business days from receipt of the disclosure or complaint. An employee who submitted a disclosure of wrongdoing or complaint of reprisal shall be advised, no more than 10 business days from the date on which the disclosure of wrongdoing or complaint of reprisal is received, whether an investigation will be undertaken.

References:

Board Policy:

D/l/11 -Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

E/I/7 - Healthy Interactions Model

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- 4.28 The investigation must be concluded and the investigation report provided to the CEO not more than 110 business days from the date on which the disclosure of wrongdoing or complaint of reprisal was received.
- 4.29 These timelines may be extended by the CEO provided that the total extensions granted do not exceed the overall time period for investigation and provision of the investigation report by more than 30 business days, or for a longer period of time if permitted by the Commissioner.

Reporting

- 4.30 The Designated Officer shall provide a written investigation report to the CEO detailing whether the disclosure was substantiated, and provide recommendations on corrective action.
- 4.31 Where the Designated Officer is considering a recommendation to the CEO that the Superintendent exercise authority delegated to him or her by the Board to suspend or terminate a teacher or administrative designation under the School Act, the Designated Officer shall consult with legal counsel concerning the necessary process.
- 4.32 The CEO shall consider the recommendations in the investigation report, and shall be responsible for determining what action, if any, including disciplinary action, shall be taken. The CEO shall follow up with the employees responsible to ensure those actions are taken.
- 4.33 The person making the complaint shall be advised when the investigation is completed, the recommendations made in the written investigation report, and the CEO's actions resulting from the written investigation report.

Annual Reporting

- 4.34 The Designating Officer will prepare an annual report on all disclosures that have been made under PIDA. This annual report will include the following information:
 - 4.34.1 The number of disclosures received by the Designated Officer;
 - 4.34.2 the number of disclosures acted on;

References: Board Policy:

D/l/11 -Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

E/I/7 – Healthy Interactions Model

Disclosure of Wrongdoing Form

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- 4.34.3 the number of disclosures not acted on by the Designated Officer;
- 4.34.4 the number of disclosures commenced by the Designated Officer as a result of disclosures, and
- 4.34.5 in the case of an investigation that results in a finding of wrongdoing, a description of the wrongdoing and any recommendations made or corrective measures taken in relation to the wrongdoing or the reasons why no corrective measure was taken.

Communication

4.35 Principals/supervisors shall ensure this policy is reviewed with all employees and made accessible to them prior to the start of each school year.

The Employer shall provide for timely and judicious response to all complaints alleging violation of this Regulation conducted:

by the Associate Superintendent, Human Resources; except

by the Superintendent, where it is alleged that the Associate Superintendent, Human Resources has committed the dangerous, illegal or irresponsible act; and except

by the Commissioner, where it is alleged-that the Superintendent-has committed the dangerous, illegal or irresponsible act.

- 2.2 acknowledging receipt of such a complaint in writing within five (5) business days from the date on which the complaint is marked as received;
- 2.3 by making a decision and notifying the complainant as to whether the Employer has determined that a wrongdoing has occurred within ten (10) business days from the date in 2.4, above;
- 2.4 if it is determined that a wrongdoing has occurred, by conducting an investigation as contemplated in the Regulation, completing and reporting on it within one hundred and ten (110) business days form the date in 2.5, above;
- 2.5 reporting each step of this procedure in writing to the office of the Commissioner within five (5) business days of each date cited above.

References:

Board Policy:

D/l/11 -Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

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Date: October 22, 2014 Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent Date: of Human Resources and Leadership Support, Supt., HR 3.0 Should a complainant, teacher or employee, be unsatisfied with the results of the Employer's findings, the complainant may appeal this case-to-the office of the Commissioner, in accordance with AB Regulation-7-1/2013. 4.0 All complainants must use form Disclosure of Wrongdoing Form, AP/ADM/25, attached, for filing complaints. 5.0 Extensions of the above time-limits-may-be-made-by mutual agreement of the complainant and the Employer. Discovery of any intentional-falsification or misleading information submitted by the complainant shall result in the complaint being immediately dismissed without-recourse to appeal; it may result in discipline under the Employer's progressive discipline policy. 7-0 All-documentation under this policy and administrative practice shall-be-treated-with-the strictest-confidentiality. Only that information that must be investigated to verify or disprove the complaint-shall-be-shared-with-others in the confidential investigation, and with-full observance of the FOIPP Act. -The-Employer-shall annually report on the administration of this Act and its regulations to the Commissioner.

References:

Board Policy:

D/I/11 -Public Interest Disclosure (Whistleblower Protection) Act (PIDA)

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Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Education Policy Committee

Subject:

Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Background:

Attached for Trustee review is Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights. Suggested revisions are provided for Trustee consideration.

Associated Admin Practice Educational Services 23 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights with suggested revisions is also attached for Trustee information.

Recommendation:

That the Committee of the Whole review Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights and advise Senior Administration accordingly.



D/III/1 – Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights



EFFECTIVE: March 23, 2016 Affirmed: May 24, 2017 REVIEW: 2021-2022

1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 The Board believes in the importance of, and is committed to, establishing and maintaining a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe working and learning environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging.
- 1.2 The Board believes that each student and staff member has the right to learn and work in an environment that respects: equity, diversity, inclusion, and human rights.
- 1.3 The Board believes all members of the school community share in the responsibility to recognize and respect: equity, diversity, inclusion and human rights.

2.0 GUIDELINES

- 2.1 The Board requires all Sturgeon schools to establish and maintain a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning and working environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all students and staff and requires schools to implement programs and/or strategies which support equity, diversity, inclusion and human-rights.
- 2.2 The principal shall, in consultation with students, staff and parents, establish and maintain practices and procedures which respect diversity and provide for equity, inclusion and human rights.
- 2.3 Each school principal shall establish and maintain a written student-code of conduct that is consistent with-the-goals of this policy.

Definitions:

2.4 For the purposes of this policy equity, diversity, and inclusion are defined as:

Equity: A condition or state of fair, inclusive, and respectful treatment of all people. Equity

means treating people in ways that take individual differences into consideration.

Diversity: The presence of a wide range of human qualities and attributes within a group,

organization, or society. The dimensions of diversity include, but are not limited to,

References: Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

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ancestry, culture, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, language, physical and intellectual ability, race, religion, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status.

Inclusion:

is based on the principles of acceptance and welcoming of all students. Students see themselves reflected in their studies, their physical surroundings, and the broader environment, in which all individuals are honoured and diversity is respected.



References: Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

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EDUCATION SERVICES 23



EDUCATION SERVICES 23 – Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Date: March 23, 2016 Revised Date: Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent Ed. Services

1.0 RATIONALE

The Board believes in the importance of, and is committed to, establishing and maintaining a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe working and learning environment for all students and employees.

The Board believes that each student and staff member has the right to learn and work in an environment that respects diversity and promotes equity, inclusion and human rights.

The Board believes that all members of a school community share the responsibility to foster respect for diversity and promote equity, inclusion and human rights.

2.0 PROCESS

The Superintendent or designate will be responsible for maintaining this Administrative Practice and its operation.

3.0 GUIDELINES

3.1 Definitions:

<u>Bullying</u>: repeated and hostile or demeaning behaviour by an individual in the school community where the behaviour is intended to cause harm, fear or distress to one or more individuals in the school community, including psychological harm or harm to an individual's reputation.

<u>Discrimination</u>: negative differential treatment of a person or group on the basis of race, religious beliefs, colour, gender, physical disability, mental disability, age, ancestry, place of origin, marital status, source of income, family status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

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<u>Inclusion</u>: is based on the principles of acceptance and welcoming of all students. Students see themselves reflected in their studies, their physical surroundings, and the broader environment, in which all individuals are honoured and diversity is respected.

<u>Intimidation</u>: intentional behaviour which knowingly or should be reasonably known to cause fear of injury or harm.

<u>School Community</u>: students enrolled in the school and their parents/guardians; children enrolled in an Early Childhood Services program at the school and their parents/guardians; the school staff; and other persons who have an interest in the school.

3.2 Principals shall:

- 3.2.1 ensure all staff members share responsibility for proactively creating and maintaining welcoming, caring, respectful, safe and inclusive learning environments that acknowledge and promote understanding, respect and the recognition of the diversity, equity, inclusion and human rights of all students and families within the school community;
- 3.2.2 ensure all members of the school community are aware of the expectation to model respectful conduct, inclusive behaviour and an understanding and appreciation for diversity, equity and human rights;
- 3.2.3 provide equity of opportunity, and access to programs, services, and resources to support all students in realizing their full potential;
- 3.2.4 immediately grant permission for the establishment of a student organization or the holding of an activity at the school;

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

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Revised Date: Date: March 23, 2016 Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent Ed. Services 3.2.5 within a reasonable time from the date the principal receives the request, designate a staff member to serve as a staff liaison; 3.2.6 inform students of their right to name a student organization a Gay Straight Alliance/Queer Straight Alliance; 3.2.7 be responsible for ensuring that any notification of a student organization or activity is limited to the fact of the establishment of the organization or holding of the activity; 3.2.8 immediately inform the Associate Superintendent of Education Services if no staff member is available to serve as a staff haison; The Superintendent shall communicate with the Minister should a 3.2.8.1staff member not be available to serve as a staff liaison. 3.2.49 receive, investigate, report on and respond to inappropriate behaviour and actions, such as discrimination, intimidation or bullying, whether they occur in person or in digital form, on or off school property; 3.2.510 create a clear reporting and investigative process and a safe environment for students, parents/guardians, staff and members of the school community to bring concerns forward in a timely manner; 3.2.611 provide information about these processes, including, if appropriate, supports and strategies to resolve complaints;

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

3.2.712 establish and maintain a written student code of conduct;

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3.2.813 hold everyone under their authority accountable for their behaviour and actions such as discrimination, intimidation or bullying; and work with staff, students and families to provide supports and resolve issues and concerns in a timely fashion.

3.3 Teachers shall:

- 3.3.1 help all students work to their full potential and develop their sense of self-worth;
- assist students to be empathetic leaders in their classroom, school and community by building positive social, leadership and resiliency skills;
- 3.3.3 maintain standards of behaviour for all students to contribute to a positive school climate;
- 3.3.4 communicate regularly and meaningfully with parents/guardians and report incidents of discrimination, intimidation and bullying, to administration and assist administration when conducting an investigation into such incidents.
- 3.4 Students and families play an important role in creating and maintaining welcoming, caring, respectful, safe and inclusive learning environments.
- 3.5 Students, parents and guardians have the responsibility to meet the expectations as outlined in Policy F/IV/7 Student Conduct and Administrative Practice Student Services 8 Student Conduct.

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

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Committee of the Whole Memorandum

Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Education Policy Committee

Subject:

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender

Expression

Board Regulation Administration 5 - Sexual Orientation, Gender

Identity and Gender Expression

Background:

Attached for Trustee review is Policy D/III/2 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression and Board Regulation Administration 5 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression. Suggested revisions are provided for Trustee consideration.

Associated Admin Practice Educational Services 24 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression with suggested revisions is also attached for Trustee information.

Recommendation:

That the Committee of the Whole review Policy D/III/2 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression and advise Senior Administration accordingly.



D/III/2 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender **Expression**



EFFECTIVE: March 23, 2016 Affirmed: May 24, 2017 REVIEW: 2021-2022

1.0 **POLICY**

- 1.1 The Board believes in the importance of, and is committed to establishing and maintaining a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning and working environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all students and staff including those who self-identify as sexual or gender minorities, including but not limited to: lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirit, queer, gender fluid, or those who are questioning their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.
- The Board believes that staff members are better prepared to respond to and support 1.2 matters associated with sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression when they have the benefit of: related education and professional development opportunities, as well as an awareness of, and access to, research and/or professional readings relative to this topic.
- Policy D/III/2 shall be reviewed by the Board of Trustees on a yearly basis. 1.3

2.0 **GUIDELINES**

- The school principal shall consult with staff, parents and students in the development of school based policies and practices that support the implementation of division Policy D/III/2.
- School based rules and practices shall be subject to the approval of the Superintendent, or designate, and will be available to members of the school community in written form.
- 2.3 Policy D/III/2 shall be reviewed by the Board of Trustees on a yearly basis.

Definitions:

2.4 For the purposes of this policy the most current definitions can be accessed at the following link:

GSAs and QSAs in Alberta Schools: A Guide for Teachers

Sexual and Gender Minority Terms and Definitions:

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy

Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

Admin Practice ES24 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression Board Regulation 5 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

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https://www.teachers.ab.ca/SiteCollectionDocuments/ATA/Publications/Human-Rights-Issues/PD-



References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

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STURGEON

BOARD REGULATION

ADMINISTRATION 5

ADMINISTRATION 5 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression

Date: March 23, 2016 Affirmed: May 24, 2017 Responsible Administrator: Superintendent

Board Regulation, Administration 5 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression shall be administered in conjunction with Policy D/III/2 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression, and Administrative Practice ES24 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression.

2.0 PROCESS

- 2.1 The Board of Trustees may, from time to time, establish a task group or groups to provide input and recommendations relative to the implementation of Policy D/III/2 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression.
- 2.2 The membership of any task group(s) may vary based on the identified goals and objectives established by the Board of Trustees relative to Policy D/III/2 Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression.
- 2.3 Prior to forming any task group(s) the Board of Trustees will identify:
 - 2.3.1 the specific objectives,
 - 2.3.2 membership representation,
 - 2.3.3 preferred timeline and
 - 2.3.4 reporting process for the task group(s).

References: Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy

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Board Regulation ADMINISTRATION 5 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression 1/1



Date: Mar. 23, 2016 Revised Date: Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent, Ed. Services

1.0 RATIONALE

The Board is committed to establishing and maintaining a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning and working environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all members of the school community. This includes students, staff, and families who identify or are perceived as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirit, queer or questioning their sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. The Board expects all members of this diverse community to be welcomed, respected, accepted, and supported in every school.

All members of the school community have the right to learn and work in an environment free of discrimination, prejudice, and harassment. This right is guaranteed under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Alberta Human Rights Act, and Alberta School Act. These rights shall be supported, and enforced so that all members of the school community may work together in an atmosphere of mutual respect and appreciation for individual differences. The Board will not tolerate harassment, bullying, intimidation, or discrimination on the basis of a person's real or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

2.0 PROCESS

The Superintendent or designate will be responsible for maintaining this Administrative Practice and its operation.

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

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Date: Mar. 23, 2016 Revised Date: Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent, Ed. Services

3.0 GUIDELINES

- 3.1 Sturgeon Public School Division strives to ensure that all students and staff members are provided with a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe working environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all students and staff members. All students and staff members share responsibility for creating and maintaining a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment. Complaints of discrimination and harassment based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression shall be promptly investigated and resolved as stated in the Policy E/I/11 Harassment Policy.
- 3.2 Any language or behavior that degrades, labels, stereotypes, incites hatred, prejudice, discrimination and harassment towards students, staff, or families on the basis of their real or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression will not be tolerated.
- 3.3 Schools shall ensure that the school student code of conduct references a prohibition of language or behavior that degrades, labels, stereotypes, incites hatred, prejudice, discrimination or harassment.
- 3.4 The Principal shall:
 - 3.4.1 consult with staff, parents and students in the development of school based policies and practices that support the implementation of division Policy D/III/2.
 - 3.4.13.4.2 ensure all aspects of this administrative practice are clearly and periodically communicated to all students, families and staff;

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

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Date: Mar. 23, 2016 Revised Date: Responsible Administrator: Associate Superintendent, Ed. Services 3.4.23.4.3 ensure that students are informed of their ability to request support to establish or lead an activity or organization intended to promote a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment that respects diversity and fosters a sense of belonging including but not limited to organizations such as gay-straight alliances, diversity clubs and anti-bullying clubs and that any refusal to establish such a request may be appealed to the board of trustees in accordance with Section 123 of the School Act: 3.4.33.4.4 ensure staff members address and provide appropriate remedial consequences for all interactions involving the use of comments, behaviours and actions which are homophobic, transphobic, and sexist, whether they occur in person or in digital form, on or off school property; 3.4.43.4.5 ensure staff members know their professional responsibility to identify discriminatory attitudes and behaviours, and create caring, respectful and safe learning environments; 3.4.53.4.6 ensure awareness and adherence to all district policies with respect to diversity, equity, human rights, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, discrimination, prejudice and harassment; 3.4.63.4.7 ensure staff utilize language and educational resources and approaches that are inclusive; age-appropriate, and respectful of diverse sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions; 3.4.73.4.8 provide inclusive and respectful services and supports to sexual and gender

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

minority students and families;

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression

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3.4.8 3.4.9	ensure staff will not refer students to programs or services that attempt to change or repair a student's sexual orientation or gender identity;
3.4.9 3.4.10	ensure staff work proactively to eliminate systemic inequities and barriers to learning for sexual and gender minority students and families;
3.4.10 3.4.11	identify a staff member to serve as a safe contact for sexual and gender minority students.
3.4.11 3.4.12	inform the school community about the location and availability of this safe contact resource person;
3.4.12 3.4.13	ensure discriminatory behaviors and complaints will be taken seriously, documented and dealt with expeditiously;
3.4.133.4.14	ensure that the school's Student Code of Conduct is consistent with Board requirements, is publicly available, reviewed annually, provided to all school staff, students and parents of the students of the school;
	ensure all staff recognize the confidentiality of the sexual orientation and gender identity of all students and protect them from unwanted disclosure of such information.
3.5 To assist a	all staff to become more knowledgeable about sexual and gender minority

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

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identities, cultures, and communities, schools will provide professional learning

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EDUCATIONAL SERVICES 24



EDUCATIONAL SERVICES 24 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression

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opportunities to assist all staff to acquire the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and appropriate teaching practices necessary to create safe, inclusive, equitable, and respectful schools.

- 3.6 Staff members shall ensure that learning resources shall be chosen and/or updated to promote critical thinking and should include age-appropriate materials that accurately reflect the diversity of Canada's sexual and gender minority families, cultures, and communities.
- 3.7 To support the safety, health, well-being and educational needs of students who identify as, or are perceived to be, gender minorities, staff shall adhere to the following recommended practices wherever possible and appropriate:

Gender Identity and Gender Expression

- 3.8 Names and Pronouns A student or staff member has the right to be addressed by a name and pronoun that corresponds to his or her consistently asserted gender identity or gender expression.
- 3.9 Official Records and Communication When requested by an independent student, or the parent/guardian in writing all school forms and records shall be changed to ensure that a student's preferred name and sex, or gender is current on internal school documentation including: class lists, timetables, student files, identification cards. Subject to Alberta Education changing the requirements, the student's legal name, as registered under the Vital Statistics Act (or, if the student was born in a jurisdiction outside Alberta shall be displayed in the local Student Information System (SIS) and Provincial Approach to Student Information (PASI) system, as well as on transcripts, credentials and provincial assessments. An independent student or the parent/guardian shall be informed by school staff that a legal name change is required if they desire the official Alberta Education documents to reflect another name.

References: Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression

Policy E/I/4 - Harassment Policy Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct The School Act: Section 4

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EDUCATIONAL SERVICES 24 – Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression

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3.10 Gender-Segregated Activities - To the greatest extent possible, schools should reduce or eliminate the practice of segregating students by gender (with the exception of already established single gender-based alternative programs).
In classroom activities or school programs where students are segregated by gender, all students should be given the option to be included in the group that corresponds to their consistently asserted gender identity and gender expression.

3.11 Athletics, Locker Room, and Change Room Access and Accommodation

- 3.11.1 All schools shall proactively review their student athletic policies to ensure they are inclusive of sexual and gender minority students. Transgender and transsexual students shall not be asked or required to have Physical Education outside of assigned class time, and shall, subject to safety considerations, be permitted to participate in any gender-segregated activities in accordance with their consistently asserted gender identity and gender expression.
- 3.11.2 All students shall, subject to safety considerations, have access to locker room facilities that correspond to their consistently asserted gender identity and gender expression. In locker rooms that require undressing in front of others, students who desire increased privacy, for any reason (e.g., medical, religious, cultural, gender identity) shall be provided with accommodations that best meet their individual needs and privacy concerns.
- 3.11.3 All students and staff shall have access to the restroom that allows for appropriate privacy. Staff shall consistently demonstrate sensitivity to the needs and safety of all students with respect to restroom or locker room access. The Principal shall

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ensure that individual solutions to restroom access or locker room are implemented with respect and discretion.

- 3.11.4 The use of locker room facilities or restrooms by transgender and transsexual students shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis with the goals of maximizing the student's social integration, ensuring the student's safety and comfort, minimizing stigmatization and providing equal opportunity to participate fully in school programming. The decision with regard to use of locker rooms or restroom facilities shall be made in consultation with the transgender student.
- 3.12 All students and staff have the right to dress in a manner consistent with their consistently asserted gender identity or gender expression and within the guidelines established by schools.
- 3.13 All students, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, have the right to participate in all curricular and extra-curricular activities.

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Committee of the Whole Memorandum

Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Education Policy Committee

Subject:

Policy F/IV/4 – Student Conduct

Background:

Attached for Trustee review is Policy F/IV/4 – Student Conduct. Suggested revisions are provided for Trustee consideration.

Associated Admin Practice Student Services 8 – Student Conduct with suggested revisions is also attached for Trustee information.

Recommendation:

That the Committee of the Whole review Policy F/IV/4 – Student Conduct and advise Senior Administration accordingly.





EFFECTIVE: March 21, 2007 REVISED: March 23, 2016 REVIEW: 2021-2022

1.0 POLICY

- 1.1 The Board believes that to maintain a safe, caring, and effective learning welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning and working environment, students must attend school regularly, be punctual, diligent in their studies, and be respectful and considerate to everyone in the school community.
- 1.2 The Board believes that each student and staff member has the right to learn and work in an environment that promotes: equity, diversity, inclusion and human rights.
- 1.3 The Board believes that students must comply with school rules set out in the school's code of student conduct.
- 1.4 The Board believes that parents and guardians are partners in education and shall ensure that their conduct contributes to a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe working and learning environment.
- 2.21.5 The Board prohibits bullying, harassing, discriminatory, and violent behaviors and expects allegations of such behavior to be investigated in a timely and respectful manner.
- 2.51.6 Policy F/IV/4 shall be reviewed by the Board of Trustees on an annual basis and shall be publically available on Sturgeon Public School Division's web site.

2.0 GUIDELINES

- 2.1 Behaviours injurious to the general-well-being of students, staff, and the school are unacceptable.
- 2.2 The Board-prohibits bullying, harassing, discriminatory, and violent behaviors and expects allegations of such behavior to be investigated in a timely and respectful manner.

References: Policy F/IV/1 - School Attendance Policy

Policy F/IV/2 - Illicit, Prohibited and Restricted Sustances Policy F/IV/3 - Student Suspensions and Expulsions

Policy D/III/1 - Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Human Rights

Policy D/III/2 - Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity and Gender Expression Board Regulation: Education 2 - Student Suspensions and Expulsions

Admin Practice(s): SS 8 - Student Conduct School Act: Sections 12, 18, 20, 24, 25

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2.3 In-addition-to, and consistent-with legislation and board policies and-practices-governing student behaviour, Division schools shall maintain a written-School-Code of Student Conduct.

- 2.4 All written rules developed at the school level shall be subject to the yearly approval of the Superintendent or designate.
- 2.5 Policy F/IV/4 shall be reviewed by the Board of Trustees on an annual basis.
- 2.6 Policy-F/IV/4 shall be made publically available on Sturgeon School-Division's web site.

Bullying: Repeated and hostile or demeaning behavior by an individual in the school community where the behavior is intended to cause harm, fear or distress to one or more individuals in the school community, including psychological harm or harm to an individual's reputation.

Diversity: The presence of a wide range of human qualities and attributes within a group, organization, or society. The dimensions of diversity include, but are not limited to, ancestry, culture, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, language, physical and intellectual ability, race, religion, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status.

Equity: A condition or state of fair, inclusive, and respectful treatment of all people. Equity means treating people in ways that take individual differences into consideration.

Inclusion: is based on the principles of acceptance and welcoming of all students. Students see themselves reflected in their studies, their physical surroundings, and the broader environment, in which all individuals are honoured and diversity is respected.

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Responsible Administrator:
Associate Superintendent Education Services

1.0 RATIONALE

The Board recognizes its responsibility to ensure a safe and caringmaintain a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning and working environment in the schools.

2.0 PROCESS

The Superintendent or designate Associate Superintendent, Education Services will shall be responsible for administering this Administrative Practice.

3.0 GUIDELINES

- 3.1 Each pPrincipals shall develop a written School Code of Student Conduct consistent with Board Policies F/IV/7-4 Student Conduct and F/IV/2 Restricted and Illieit DrugsIllicit, Prohibited and Restricted Substances and in consultation with students, parents/guardians, the school council and staff.
- 3.2 Each pPrincipals shall make copies of the School Code of Student Conduct available to students, parents/guardians and staff, on the school's website and in print if requested.
- 3.3 Schools shall review the School Code of Student Conduct with students at regular intervals.
- 3.4 A school code of student conduct shall include:
 - 3.4.1 expectations for student behavior;
 - 3.4.2 a range of specific corrective measures that will be taken when students are found responsible for unacceptable behaviour;
 - 3.4.3 provisions regarding safety and security offenses;
 - 3.4.4 any other matter which the principal deems necessary.

References: Policy: B/I/3 – Committees of the Board (B/I/3b Discipline Committee)

Policy F/IV/2 -Illicit, Prohibited and Restricted Substances

Policy F/IV/3 - Student Suspensions and Expulsions

Policy F/IV/4 - Student Conduct

Board Regulation: Education 2 - Student Suspensions and Expulsions

School Act: Sections 12, 18, 20, 24, 25

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Associate Superintendent Education Services

- 3.5 Students will be held responsible and accountable to Sturgeon Public School Division and its agents for their behaviour and conduct:
 - 3.5.1 during involvement in school sponsored or related activities;
 - 3.5.2 on school board property;
 - 3.5.3 during any recess or lunch periods;
 - 3.5.4 on division leased, sanctioned or owned vehicles used for the transportation of students to and from school and school activities:
 - 3.5.5 beyond the hours of school operation if that behaviour or conduct has a connection back to the school and a demonstrated detrimental impact on the welfare of individual students.
- 3.6 Students and their parents/guardians, when applicable, are accountable for:
 - 3.6.1 school attendance and punctuality;
 - 3.6.2 student work habits including completion of assignments and homework;
 - 3.6.3 proper use of textbooks, equipment, and property of theirs, others and the school;
 - 3.6.4 treating others with dignity and respect;
 - 3.6.5 full cooperation with school authority and personnel authorized to provide educational programs and other services throughout the school day and during all school sponsored activities and beyond the hours of school operation if that behavior or conduct has a connection back to the school and a demonstrated detrimental impact on the welfare of individual students.

References:

Policy: B/l/3 – Committees of the Board (B/l/3b Discipline Committee)

Policy F/IV/2 -Illicit, Prohibited and Restricted Substances

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- 3.7 Consequences including intervention, suspension and/or recommendation for expulsion, from school or bus, depending on individual circumstances, may be imposed when a student fails to meet the expectations for student conduct articulated in the School Code of Conduct and/or *School Act* (Suspensions 24: 1(a) or (b). Some examples of unacceptable behaviours include but are not limited to:
 - 3.7.1 conduct which verbally, physically or emotionally threatens the safety of students or staff;
 - 3.7.2 conduct which demonstrates disrespect for ethnic, racial, religious and sexual diversity
 - 3.7.3 possession of a weapon, or anything used, or intended for use in causing injury to any person, or for the purposes of threatening or intimidating any person;
 - 3.7.4 assault;
 - 3.7.5 possession, distribution and/or use of illegal drugs, alcohol, inhalants or any-other illicit substances illicit, prohibited or restricted substances in school or on school property;
 - 3.7.6 willful damage to school or other's property;
 - 3.7.7 discrimination or harassment;
 - 3.7.8 participating in or contributing to cyber bullying;
 - 3.7.9 participating in, or contributing to froshing or hazing activities;
 - 3.7.10 extortion;
 - 3.7.11 disruptive behaviour, willful disobedience or defiance of authority;
 - 3.7.12 interference with the orderly conduct of classes and school activities;

References:

Policy: B/l/3 - Committees of the Board (B/l/3b Discipline Committee)

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- 3.7.13 tampering with items such as fire alarms, or safety equipment;
- 3.7.14 criminal activity;
- 3.7.15 bystander encouragement or involvement in instigating or escalating aggressive behaviour (e.g. taunting, fighting).
- 3.8 When disciplining a student, a teacher or principal will consider:
 - 3.8.1 whether the student has failed to comply with the *School Act*, Division Code of Conduct or with the School Code of Student Conduct:
 - 3.8.2 the effect of the student's behaviour upon other students, the staff, the school and the community;
 - 3.8.3 the nature of the action or incident that calls for disciplinary measures;
 - 3.8.4 informing and/or consulting with the student's parents/guardians when it is warranted;
 - 3.8.5 the student's previous conduct;
 - 3.8.6 the student's unique circumstances (age, maturity, extenuating circumstances);
 - 3.8.7 the impact of proposed action on the student's future behaviour;
 - 3.8.8 any other information the teacher or principal considers appropriate or relevant;
 - 3.8.9 whether the student's conduct is injurious to the physical or mental well being of others in the school.

References:

Policy: B/l/3 - Committees of the Board (B/l/3b Discipline Committee)

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STUDENT SERVICES 8



STUDENT SERVICES 8 - Student Conduct

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Responsible Administrator:
Associate Superintendent Education Services

- 3.9 Dependent on the resources that are available, the principal shall arrange for support, if needed, for students who may be impacted by inappropriate behaviour, as well as for students who engage in inappropriate behaviour.
- 3.9 3.10 Each teacher or principal will ensure that appropriate documentation procedures are employed to record disciplinary actions.
- 3.103.11 As per Section 20 (f) of the School Act, the principal or designate has the responsibility for and the authority to establish and maintain appropriate procedures conducive to an acceptable standard of student discipline.



References: Policy: B/l/3 – Committees of the Board (B/l/3b Discipline Committee)

Policy F/IV/2 - Illicit, Prohibited and Restricted Substances

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Committee of the Whole Memorandum

Date:

March 14, 2018

To:

Committee of the Whole

From:

Iva Paulik, Secretary Treasurer

Subject:

2019 – 2020 Capital Plan Priorities

Background:

The Board must submit its 2018 – 2019 Capital Plan Priorities to Alberta Education for the 2019 – 2020 Government of Alberta year.

Last year, the Capital Plan Priorities approved by the Board of Trustees were as follows:

1) Modernization of Gibbons School

(ATTACHMENT I)

2) Modernization of Sturgeon Heights School

(ATTACHMENT II)

3) Modernization of Morinville Public School K-4

(ATTACHMENT III)

These capital priorities are scheduled to be discussed by the Building Committee at their March 12, 2018 meeting. The Building Committee will bring a recommendation to the meeting for the Board's consideration and direction.

Recommendation:

That the Committee of the Whole review the 2019 - 2020 Capital Plan Priorities and advise Senior Administration accordingly.

2018-2019 (GoA year 2019-2020) Capital Plan Submission: Gibbons School

DESCRIPTION:

Modernization is required. It is an aging structure in need of a major retrofit. Everything from heating/ventilation, roofing, parking lots, flooring, electrical/lighting, and security is in dire need of upgrading and/or replacement. The school is prone to roof vandalism due to the outside envelope finishes. Relocation of the main office to the front entrance area is crucial. The current configuration makes it impossible to monitor school access and poses a serious security issue.

- Approximate Capacity: 518
- Approximate Enrolment: 286 (2017-2018 utilization at 60%)
- Gross area: 4812m²
- Two existing portables (1991)

Mechanical Systems:

- o 4 boilers require replacement
- o HVAC is outdated and needs upgrading;
- o Roof top unit requires replacement.
- Heating controls are pneumatic and require upgrade;
- Gas lines on the roof are showing signs of corrosion and are subject to leaking;
- o Various pumps, valves, heating and domestic pipes are prone to leaking;
- o Bathroom fixtures require replacement.

• Electrical:

- Electrical service is overloaded/obsolete/dangerous;
- o Many branch circuit panels/breakers require replacement as does the wiring/reestablishment of circuits.
- Electrical fixtures require conversion to LED.

Interior:

- Proximity of general office is unsafe due to centralized location;
- Most flooring requires replacement to vinyl;
- East gymnasium requires replacement;
- West gymnasium is in dire need of an architectural upgrade;
- Ceilings require replacement;
- Most interior doors require replacement;
- Signage requires replacement.

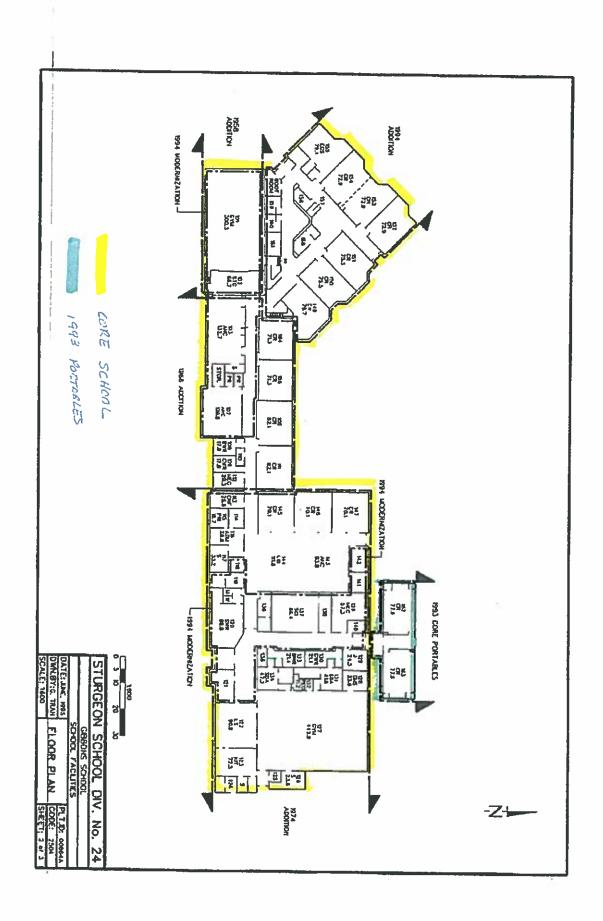
• Exterior:

- Roofing is in poor condition. 80% of roofing requires replacement:
- Exterior walls lack insulation value;
- Windows need to be upgraded to eliminate heat loss and water penetration;
- o Sidewalks, and parking lots are in dire need of replacement;
- o Most exterior doors require replacement;

Signage requires replacement;

Reason: Safety and Security (office), Improvement of learning environment, and Health and Safety.

Consequences: Potential for dangerous activities is high and must be reduced. Learning environment will continue to deteriorate. Mechanical systems are antiquated, obsolete and in dire straits. Absence of any insulation in windows/walls creates an uncomfortable working/learning environment and makes the already obsolete systems work even harder to compensate. The general office is positioned in the center of the school which poses a major security concern.



2018-2019 (GoA year 2019-2020) Capital Plan Submission: Sturgeon Heights

DESCRIPTION:

Modernization is required. The school has many areas that are original and lack functionality to today's educational requirements. Mechanical systems and electrical system are outdated and require upgrading. Lack of individual heat control in each room poses an uncomfortable learning environment for students. More natural light to classroom learning spaces is required.

- Approximate Capacity: 565
- Approximate Enrollment: 542 (2017-2018 utilization rate is 102%)
- Gross Area: 4462 m²

• Mechanical Systems:

- Air handling systems are in dire need of replacement;
- o Main domestic water service piping requires replacement due to signs of rust;
- Heating piping is need of replacement prone to leaking;
- Heating controls are pneumatic and need replacing.
- Domestic plumbing piping and valves require upgrading;
- Exhaust fans require replacement;
- Bathroom fixtures require replacement.

Electrical Systems:

- Main power distribution is insufficient;
- Electrical panels are obsolete and need replacing;
- All electrical wiring is old and requires changing;
- Interior and exterior lighting needs upgrade to LED.

Interior:

- Ceilings require replacement;
- o Upgrade of tile floors to sheet vinyl is required;
- Interior doors and hardware require replacement.

Exterior:

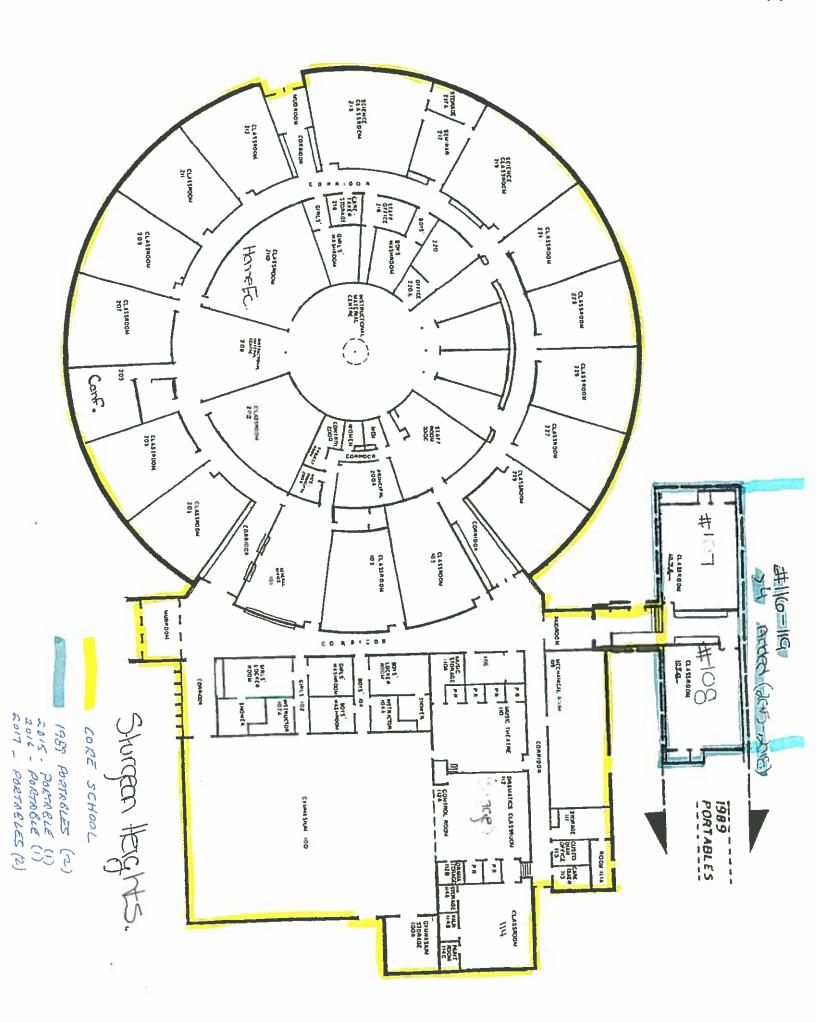
- Roofing is in poor condition, 80% of roofing requires replacement;
- More parking area is required due to high volume of traffic;
- o Exterior walls lack insulation;
- Windows require upgrading due heat loss;
- o Exterior doors and hardware require replacement;
- Sidewalks and parking lots in need of replacement.

REASON: Modernization would reduce/eliminate the dysfunction associated with a circular footprint. Reconfiguration of library and classroom space will enhance student learning (noise levels within the current footprint). Mechanical and electrical systems are obsolete and remain a safety concern due to age. Parking and traffic control for student safety is paramount. The addition of a CTS lab will enhance student learning to meet the junior high curriculum.

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CONSEQUENCES: Inadequate teaching atmosphere, with increased concern over building systems, both mechanical and electrical. Higher infrastructure costs of maintaining the current blueprint. Higher probability of parking lot injuries due to high volumes of traffic at the school.

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2018-2019 (GoA year 2019-2020) Capital Plan Submission: Morinville Public School K-4

DESCRIPTION:

Major modernization is required. The 1957 gymnasium is in dire need of an architectural upgrade, rebuilding it to grade-level. Electrical Panels in the 1957 building are original and pose a large safety concern. Mechanical systems are at the end of their lifespan and require upgrading. Indoor environment is not adequate for student learning. Additionally, the 1991 portables require replacement due to air quality and mold environmental issues.

- Approximate Capacity: 842
- Approximate Enrollment: 860 as a K-9 School (capacity utilization at 104%), estimated 500+ as a K-4 School.
- Gross Area: 6,181 M², estimated gross area for a K-4 school is 4,150 M².

Mechanical Systems:

- Main domestic water piping requires replacement due to signs of rust;
- Two boilers are "mid-life" and two boilers need to be replaced;
- Building management system requires upgrade;
- Replacement of 5 air handling units;
- Upgrade of vestibules and hallway heaters;
- o 35 reheat coils require replacement;
- 10 roof exhaust fans require replacement;
- o Upgrading of sanitary pipes;
- Plumbing piping and valves require upgrades;
- Bathroom fixtures require replacement.

Electrical Systems:

- o Electrical needs to be replaced; outdated breakers and panels;
- Lighting upgrades to LED.

Interior:

- o Modernization of gymnasium to bring to grade-level;
- All flooring requires upgrading;
- o Replace doors and hardware;
- Lockers need to be upgraded;
- o Ceiling tile replacement is required.

Exterior:

- Exterior drainage is in need of upgrade to include the installation of weeping tile.
- 1991 portable roofing requires replacement;
- Replace most windows to eliminate heat loss;
- o Replace doors and hardware.

Modulars:

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- o It is estimated to retain up to 11 modulars once the school becomes K-4 School.
- 9 modulars directly adjacent to the core building are in deteriorated state due to poor drainage, external water elements and poor roof conditions.
- o It is desirable to remove the 1991 portables and replace them with the modular units that were installed in the last couple of years.

REASON: To improve learning environment, health and safety and decrease future infrastructure costs.

CONSEQUENCES: An increase in health and safety concerns and higher infrastructure maintenance costs.

