

TRUSTEE TALK

Updates from the Board of Trustees for our Sturgeon Public School Community
October 2023



School Councils "Year in Review" 2022-2023

School Councils are asked to provide an annual "Year in Review" report to the Board of Trustees every Fall as per *Policy 305: School Councils*. To view the "Year in Review" reports for all Sturgeon Public Schools, click [here](#).






Christina Dafoe ([Four Winds Public School](#)) and Konnor Wood ([Gibbons School](#)) at the ATLE Convergence Conference presenting on SPS STEAM programming (October 2023).

Holiday Card Artwork Selection

The Division is excited to announce the winners of the Holiday Card Artwork Contest, a project that was initiated by the Advocacy Committee in response to the expressed interest of the Board of Trustees to revive this wonderful tradition.

After careful review and deliberation, the Board of Trustees selected the following winners for this year's Holiday Card Artwork Contest:

Category	Winner
K-3	Rebecca Luoma - Ochre Park School 
4-6	Chloe Treuer - Lilian Schick School 
7-9	Alayna Barbosa - Lilian Schick School 

These outstanding artworks, chosen by the Board of Trustees, will grace the cover of the Holiday cards this year. The Division extends sincere congratulations to these talented student artists. Thank you to all participants for their contributions to this year's contest. Participant creativity and dedication was truly valued.

Policy 235: Board Operations

During the 2023-2024 school year, the Board of Trustees is conducting a thorough review of their governance role, emphasizing a review of their board policies. This demonstrates their commitment to effective governance of and accountability to the Division.

At the October 25th, 2023, Public Board meeting, the Board approved revisions to Policy 235: Board Operations. To view the updated policy, click [here](#).

Administrative Procedure 315: Volunteers

A review of *Administrative Procedure (AP) 315: Volunteers* was conducted and shared at the October 25th Public Board meeting.

The updated AP includes key definitions and clarification on the procedure for when a Vulnerable Sector Check is required.

The purpose of these changes is to provide a clear framework for the involvement of volunteers within our Division and to safeguard the welfare of students and staff.

To view the updated policy, click [here](#).