

## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

From November 10, 2015 Meeting

For Immediate Release

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### *New Trustee*

At the Board's regular public Board meeting held on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015, Robyn O'Neill was sworn in as the Trustee for Ward 3, Electoral Subdivision No. 2. The Board and administration welcomed Robyn in her new position of School Board Trustee.

### *Audited Financial Statement*

After a presentation by Auditor John Shoemaker of Clews & Shoemaker, the Board approved the Audited Financial Statement for the year ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The report shows that the School Division's budget is in good financial order. For more information on the Audited Financial Statement, contact the Finance Department at 1-800-262-8674.

### *Annual School Operational Viability Report*

The Board received a report from administration which reviewed enrolments, school utilization, student programming and average per pupil instructional spending. The report was accepted as information.

Administration did provide information on the proposal of the current grade re-configurations of our schools on the east end. Schools that would be impacted by this are:

Darwell, Grasmere, Rich Valley and Onoway Elementary.

Administration provided a draft letter to be send to parents regarding a parent information night to be held at Onoway Junior/Senior High School on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 beginning at 7:00 p.m. This will be to provide more information on student programming in east end schools, transportation services and general questions that parents may have.



## **Proposed Policy on LGBTQ**

The Minister of Education has asked all School Boards to provide a policy and regulations or procedures as per School Act Sections 45.1 and 16.1 as it relates to the LGBTQ community. This is to be completed and shared with the Minister of Education by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

## **Next Meeting**

The next regular Board meeting will take place **Tuesday November 24th, 2015** at **10:00 a.m.** at the Division Office in Whitecourt. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information, please call 780-778-2800 or 1-800-262-8674.

