



## Swan Valley School Division

**Topic:** Executive Summary of the November 1, 2016 Regular Board Meeting  
**Date:** November 2, 2016  
**From:** Tim Mendel, Superintendent/CEO

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1. The official audit of the School Division was completed this past week. The independent Auditor for the Division presented the Audited Financial Statement as of June 30, 2016 to the Board. A copy will be posted once the new website goes live, which should happen in the next two weeks.
2. The Board passed a motion authorizing religious instruction at Bowsman, ESRSS, Minitonas Early Years and Taylor Schools.
3. The Board instructed management to continue negotiations with Manitoba Housing whereby the new Building Construction Program would build a few houses for Manitoba Housing.
4. Trustees that attended the Regional Trustee Meeting in Brandon reported the key topics discussed at the Regional Meeting.  
Key topics discussed were: Education Finance Funding Formula  
Indigenous Education  
Pension Update
5. Trustees that attended the “Linkages” Conference hosted by UCN reported on sessions they attended. The Conference gave SVSD a chance to connect with other potential organizations that may offer training opportunities for the Valley.
6. The CEO reported meeting with a Committee of Kindergarten Teachers who wanted to simplify the Kindergarten Report Card. The new format will be piloted this year and feedback collected from parents at the end of the year in regards to the new report card.
7. The CEO reported that three principals had been appointed to a committee to look at fine tuning the Grades 1-6 and 7-8 Report Cards. No drastic changes can be made because report card formats are set by the province, but there are some things that local school divisions can change/modify. It is these local options that the committee will examine.
8. The Board passed a motion which authorized School Division participation on the Swan River Community Mobilization Steering Committee.