

Swan Valley School Division

Topic: Executive Summary – February 13, 2017 Board Meeting

Date: February 14, 2017

From: Tim Mendel, Superintendent/CEO

1. The Board held a meeting before the regular meeting to begin deliberations on creating a budget for 2017/18. Provincial funding for Swan Valley School Division is down about \$250,000 from last year. The 1% increase in funding announced by the government is an <u>average</u> across all divisions, it does not mean every division received a 1% increase. The majority of divisions will see a decrease in provincial funding. This will be a challenging budget for SVSD.

- 2. The Superintendent informed the Board that Wab Kinew, Education Critic NDP, dropped by to introduce himself to senior administration. He toured the Regional Secondary School and interacted with some staff and students. He was impressed with all the programs offered at SVRSS.
- 3. Kris Woodward was appointed the Principal of École Swan River South School. A good pool of applicants.
- 4. The Board has decided not to participate in the Tell Them From Me Survey this year. The Division will participate every two years.
- 5. Trustee Highmoor reported on the Liaison Meeting. The meeting was very positive. SVTA had positive comments about the Strategic Planning process. There were discussions about having one recognition event, combining teaching and nonteaching staff. More consultation needed before a decision can be made.
- 6. Trustees who attended the G5 meeting commented on the positive tone of the meeting. Trustees shared some of the issues discussed at the meeting. Nice to have all the RM's and School Division working together.
- 7. The Board has decided on a New Mission and Vision Statement.

Vision Statement: "Ready to Succeed"

Mission Statement: "The mission of Swan Valley School Division is to create an

inspiring, learning community where all belong, contribute

and succeed"