

RECORD OF THE **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** WITH **SOUTHVIEW SCHOOL** PARENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND STAFF, HELD IN THE **GRANT HENDERSON LEARNING CENTRE** IN THE **SCHOOL DIVISION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE** ON **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3**, AT 6:35 PM.

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Catherine Wilson, Pat Grisonich, Gwendoline Dirk, Megan Hilgendorf, Quinn Skelton

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Tracy Hensel, Superintendent of Schools
Cal Hauserman, Facilitator
David George, Facilitator
Leanne Dulle, Secretary Treasurer
Cody Edwards, Associate Superintendent: Student Services
Jason Peters, Associate Superintendent: Human Resources
Carla Carrier, Executive Director of Learning
Dean Brown, Division Principal of Learning and Partnerships
Joanne Stockman, Director of Learner Supports and Services
Michelle Gilbert, Wilson Learning Centre Vice-Principal
Natosha Mastel, Ross Glen School Principal
Deni Neigum, Wilson Learning Centre Principal
Lee Krasilowez, Communications Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: 26 parents and community members, 1 Southview staff member

CHAIR: Mrs. Tracy Hensel

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

II. WELCOME

Mrs. Catherine Wilson introduced the Board of Trustees and welcomed all parents, community members and staff members.

III. PRESENTATION FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Mrs. Hensel explained the decision-making process behind the possibility of closing two schools in our division, which included the following:

- Capital planning and value scoping process
- enrollment trends
- capital and operating cost savings
- declining birth rates in our city
- educational benefits of school amalgamation

IV. FACILITATED DISCUSSION PROCESS

Cal Hauserman presented the group with four questions:

1. What are some considerations you would like the School Division to think about when deciding on possible school amalgamation?

2. What might be some possible opportunities for students if schools are amalgamated?
3. What might be some possible challenges for students if schools are amalgamated?
4. What might be some supports students and families may need to make a smooth transition to a new school if amalgamation takes place?

Parents, community members, and school staff divided into small table groups. Each group had an MHPSD facilitator who recorded responses to each question. The information gathered will be shared with the Board of Trustees.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

CHAIR

SECRETARY TREASURER

BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR