

# FROM THE BOARD



Highlights from the LPSD Board of Education Meeting

October, 2016



After serving the Lloydminster Public School Division for eight years, Yana Knight participated in her final Board of Education meeting on Oct. 19. She is pictured left with Board of Education Chair David Thompson.

## Human Resources Report

The Board of Education was presented with a Human Resources report, which detailed information relating to staffing across the division during the October regular meeting. Here are some highlights from the report:

- LPSD employs just over 466 full time equivalent (FTE) staff members.
- The above total reflects 247 FTE teachers

The report also highlighted class sizes within LPSD schools:

- K-3 average size is 20.8
- 4-6 average size is 24.5
- 7-9 average size is 23.7
- 10-12 average size is 23.5

## Kids in the Know

Kids in the Know is the Canadian Centre for Child Protection's interactive safety education program designed for students from Kindergarten to Grade 9. The purpose of the program is to help educators teach children and youth effective personal safety strategies in an engaging, age-appropriate and interactive way that builds resiliency skills and reduces their likelihood of victimization in the online and offline world.

During the October Board of Education meeting, trustees heard about this program, which is used in thousands of schools across Canada. This resource will soon be utilized within LPSD schools.

**This month's  
discussion items:**

- Transportation Report
- Scholarship Night

## Scholarship Night

On Friday, Oct. 7, the Lloydminster Comprehensive High School held its annual Scholarship and Award Celebration at the Vic Juba Community Theatre. The evening was well attended with many returning Grade 12 students, current students and their families joining the celebration.

- A summary of scholarships and awards is as follows:
  - 101 Grade 10 honours and distinction students
  - 98 Grade 11 honours and distinction students
  - Five Saskatchewan proficiency students with a total of \$2,000 was awarded
  - 50 scholarships were awarded with a total monetary value of \$50,000
  - Eight scholarships were awarded from Lakeland College
    - 35 Advanced Placement (AP) students who scored 3 or above on the AP Exams
  - Numerous Rutherford Scholarships were awarded

## Transportation Report

At the regular Board meeting, trustees also received a report on transportation in the division. Here are some highlights:

- Additional integrated seats have been ordered and when installation is completed all Prekindergarten buses plus spares will have 20 integrated seats to accommodate the growing need within the program.
- On Sept. 7-8, all LPSD School Bus Drivers participated in providing our elementary school students with a safety presentation. Students were also given the opportunity to participate in a evacuation procedure.
- Here is a summary the division's 23 student transportation vehicles:
  - Regular Routes - 13
  - Field Trip - 2
  - Spare - 6
  - Out of Commission - 2
  - Avery Van
  - LCHS Mini Bus
- Each of our route buses completes six runs per day, which means there are a total of 78 runs completed in LPSD each day. Each run has an average of eight stops, which equals 624 stops per day or 48 stops per driver.
- There are three buses dedicated towards our Prekindergarten programming, which each complete four runs each per day.
  - When it comes to field trips, a total of 900 student trips were booked outside of regular route transportation in the 2015-16 school year. Of that number, 250 were for curricular purposes, 121 were for extra-curricular, 241 was for Hockey Academy, 96 were for swimming lessons, 126 were for physical education purposes at LCHS and Bishop Lloyd Middle School. and 29 were booked for In Motion purposes.

## Submissions and Feedback

To submit photos or stories regarding the Board of Education or an individual Trustee in your school community, please contact the Lloydminster Public School Division Communications Coordinator by email at [mallory.clarkson@lpsd.ca](mailto:mallory.clarkson@lpsd.ca).

We want this newsletter to be as informative and beneficial as possible, so feedback on how we can improve is always welcome.

Thanks for reading!

Next Board Meeting scheduled for November 23, 2016