

Northern Gateway Public Schools

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Board Highlights

From March 22 meeting

For Immediate Release

Delegations at Board Meeting

· The Board received two presentations from concerned stakeholders regarding the “Notice of Motion” to consider a motion to close Grades 10, 11 and 12 at Sangudo Junior/Senior High School; the “Notice of Motion” to consider a motion to close David Ovans Elementary School and the “Notice of Motion” to consider a motion to close Sunset House School, effective June 30th, 2011. First to present, was the delegation from Sunset House: Tracie Craig (Community Association Chair), Tayler Seweryn (Grade 5 Student), and Candance Seweryn (Parent). The second presentation was the delegation from the Community of Sangudo: Shelly Starman, Deana Kastelic and Heather Thompson and Lilwen Kolodychuk.

The Board of Trustees and Northern Gateway administration continue to receive communications by letters and emails regarding the above motions. All correspondence is being reviewed and distributed.

Budget 2011

· Trustees received initial information related to the 2011 Budget and its impact on Northern Gateway Public Schools. The Board will continue with further discussions on how the division can move forward to provide the best possible education and related services to students.

Onoway High School Out of Province Field Trip

· The Board approved in full the Onoway High School out of province “Encounters with Canada” field trip to Ottawa, Canada, scheduled for April 3rd – April 9th 2011. Encounters with Canada, is our country’s largest and foremost youth forum. Every week of the school year, 120 to 148 teens from across Canada (ages 14 to 17) come to Ottawa. Here they discover their country through each other, learn about Canadian institutions, meet famous and accomplished Canadians, explore exciting career options, develop their civic leadership skills and live an extraordinary bilingual experience. Over 86,000 youth have lived the EWC experience, to date!

Hilltop High School Out of Province Field Trip

· The Board approved in full the Hilltop High School out of province “National Wrestling Tournament” field trip scheduled for April 6th – April 11th, 2011. The Hilltop Wrestling Team will travel to Windsor, Ontario to participate in the 2011 Cadet/Juvenile National Wrestling Championships. Good luck to all participants.

The next regular Board meeting will take place Tuesday, April 12th, 2011 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 toll free at 1-800-262-8674.

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