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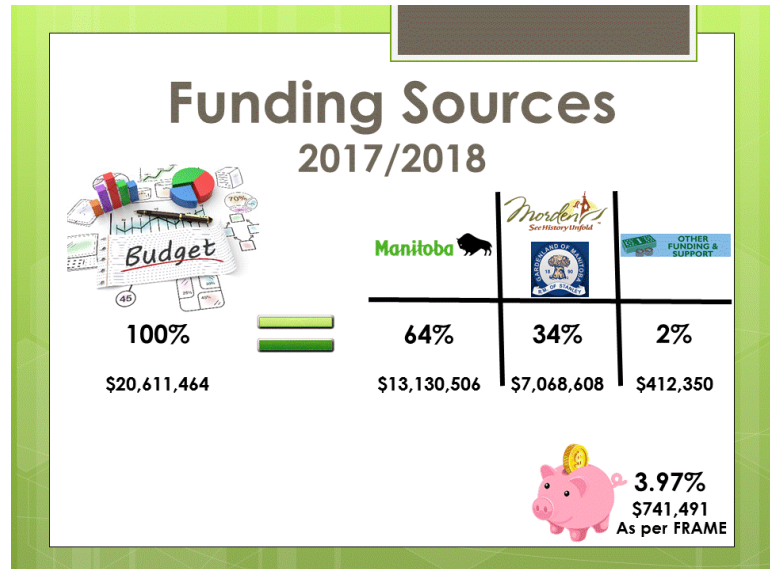
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Stephen Ross – Superintendent

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Over the next few months the Board will solicit input in regards to their budget for the 2018-19 school year. All stakeholders are invited to share their budget thoughts with the Board. The presentation of a draft budget is part of the **Budget Exhibition which will be held in the Morden Collegiate Gymnasium @ 7:00 pm on February 28th**. The Board must pass a final budget by March 15th.

"Budget preparations are underway. The Board invites feedback from all stakeholders to share their opinions on priorities for the budget." (Brian Fransen)

Other hi-lites from the meeting included:

- Kelly Vipond reported on behalf of the Morden Adult Education Centre.
- Asst. Superintendent Kutzner shared information in regards to homeschool numbers and trends for the division.
- The Board reviewed information on Bill 5 Public Interest Disclosure Act and also Bill 6 Public Sector Compensation Disclosure Act Amendment.
- Superintendent Ross informed the Board that an initial draft of the 2018-19 calendar has been distributed to staff for feedback.
- Information on the teacher recruitment initiative was shared with the Board.
- The Board gave 3rd and final reading to *Policy 6 Trustee Code of Conduct, Member Ethics and Conflict of Interest*.
- Superintendent Ross shared the 2016-17 Career Pathways Report.
- The Board received and reviewed submissions from students for the Board Idea Challenge.
- The Board discussed their Dec. 18th meeting with the Public Schools Finance Board and their advocacy efforts for a new school.

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