



NEWSFLASH

January 14, 2019

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Community Consultation Meeting
Ecole Morden Middle School
Wednesday, January 30th
7:00 p.m.



Other hi-lites from the meeting included:

- Trustees are launching a Facebook Event Page. The link to the page will be available shortly.
- Trustees set the **Public Budget Meeting for Wednesday, February 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the Western School Division Offices.**
- Trustees discussed MSBA's **Local Voices Local Choices** advocacy campaign. The public is welcome to check out the associated Facebook page hosted by MSBA.
- Trustees are providing up to \$500 to support MCI student **Mollie Wheeler at the National Public Speaking Championships** held in Winnipeg in February.
- Secretary-Treasurer Pedersen presented the **YTD Financial Report** to the Board indicating the division is on track with its budget.
- Superintendent Ross informed the Board of the following items:
 - **Updated enrollment numbers:**
 - Jan. 2019 – 1925 students – This is 46 more students since school started this fall and 119 new students (6% increase) in the last calendar year.
 - Sept. 2018 – 1871 students
 - Jan. 2018 – 1806 students
 - **Student Mobility and Attendance Report** – Average attendance is very good at close to 96%.
 - Data slides shared with Superintendents from MB Education staff in December about the **similarities between student achievement on standardized measures across Canada.**
 - **Kindergarten Registration Information Meeting** – Thursday, January 24th at Minnewasta School (7:00 p.m.). Registration for Kindergarten for September of 2019 begins Friday, January 25th.

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The next regular WSD Board meeting is Jan. 28th @ 7:30 pm.