



Following are the Board of Trustees Key Messages from the Board Organization and Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017.

- 1) As a result of the recent elections held in all three wards within Livingstone Range School Division, the Board of Trustees held their Organizational Meeting. Trustees were sworn in and completed their Disclosure of Information. Three new trustees joined the division, Ward 2 - Greg Long, Ward 3 - Jim Burdett and Lacey Poytress and four trustees are returning, Ward 1 - John McKee and Brad Toone, Ward 2 - Clara Yagos, and Ward 3, Lori Hodges. Trustees elected their Officers, Brad Toone as Chair and Lori Hodges as Vice-Chair. Members were also appointed to the committees.
- 2) The Board of Trustees reviewed the official enrollment numbers for the 2017-18 school year which are taken September 30, 2017. Enrollment is down 30.5 students from the same period last year. Taking into consideration Home Schooling and International Students, enrollment is down 12.5 from the 2016-2017 school year.
- 3) Livingstone Range School Division recently held two successful events.
 - a) LRSD held their annual Divisional Day at Matthew Halton High School on October 20, 2017 and have received a great deal of positive feedback. The theme this year was "Looking Beyond". Divisional Day is a one day professional development day for all employees of Livingstone Range School Division, dedicated to support student learning and share effective professional research and practices. The day is comprised of a variety of sessions for staff to attend. Additionally, long term service awards are presented to those employees who have milestone anniversaries, 25 years and up.
 - b) The Regional Council of Student Leaders held a very successful Leadership for Teens training project on October 13-14, 2017 at F.P. Walshe School. The following information on this initiative is taken from the *Board of Trustees Key Messages* from their September 19, 2017 board meeting.

The Regional Council of Student Leaders will embark on a *Leadership for Teens* training project for LRSD students in an effort to increase LRSD student sense of belonging and help reduce student anxiety. The project will begin with a diverse group of 50 students from across the Division engaging in intense leadership training over the course of the 2017-18 school year. As students work on their self-leadership growth they will collaborate to generate school based projects that will cultivate ways of impacting school culture in a positive manner, influence student health and wellness, build confidence in students to stand up for what is positive and right, and develop and hone student time management, communication and decision making skills. Along with the student / school leadership growth, 7 LRSD staff members will be trained as 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teen Workshop Facilitators in an effort to build staff capacity and enable sustainability of future projects and initiatives. Funding has been secured for the majority of this ambitious project but a small portion remains unfunded. At the September 19, 2017 Board Meeting the Board of Trustees approved support for this project in the amount of \$3,900.00 enabling the project to move forward.