

Trustee Dixon Report to Board SD10 – Tuesday, February 21, 2023

- Principal Gajda discussed the many sports field trips and the cost to the parents of team-members which will be alleviated by the new van.
- Long discussion regarding the costs and the importance for all students to have the opportunity to take part in sports and field trips as part of their education, regardless of financial circumstances. There is perceived need to find finances for this purpose.
- Murray Peglar, in his role at Selkirk College, wrote requesting an opportunity to speak with the PAC about the various avenues available to students offered at Selkirk.
- A request for PAC funds to help with the school yearbook was approved.
- The ski and snowboard team is raising money by selling calendars which have daily draws for prizes.
- The next meeting will be on March 8 at 5:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Dixon

Board Chair

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**The LESS PAC:** meeting February 7/23. Minutes not yet available. Highlights:

- PAC sponsored parenting workshops beginning this month and will run until May. PAC will contribute \$500.
- Fundraising ideas were discussed

I raised the topic of the four day school week in my report to PAC. It was discussed at length. The members in attendance were in favour of the District exploring this option but also wanted it noted that the five parents, and two staff members, in attendance would not be negatively affected by a four day week. The factors that would make them say either 'yes' or 'no', were the same issues - the length of the school day, financial hardships for child care; for parents that don't use child care perhaps social/emotional hardships; what about vulnerable children that need somewhere to go, school is a safe haven; could interfere with high-school sports; financial hardships for affected staff. If all of these issue were adequately considered and it benefited all, not just a few, they would say yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Farrell  
Eastern Zone, trustee