

# **INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION**

MINUTES OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING (IN-CAMERA) WHICH WAS HELD ON FEBRUARY 3 and 10, 2014 IN THE BOARDROOM, 192 - 2<sup>ND</sup> AVENUE NORTH (PTH#67) STONEWALL, MANITOBA.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** ALAN CAMPBELL, FRAN FREDERICKSON MARK GRINDEY, SHARON BAKER, SANDRA WIEBE, DORIS HUNTER, GREG SHEDDEN.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:** DAVID HARCUS (FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR) SALLY COOK.

**SENIOR ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:** SUPERINTENDENT- ROSS METCALFE, SECRETARY-TREASURER-AL LEIMAN, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT-CHRIS PENNER.

## **1) 2014-2015 FISCAL DRAFT BUDGET :**

THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WAS PROVIDED WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING THE 2014-2015 DRAFT BUDGET. THE COMMITTEE BRIEFLY DISCUSSED EACH DOCUMENT AND REVIEWED THE FIRST DRAFT BUDGET INFORMATION THAT WAS PROVIDED.

### **PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTATION:**

- SUMMARY OF THE 2014-2015 FISCAL BUDGET
- PUBLIC SCHOOLS FUNDING OVERALL ANNOUNCEMENT AND INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE 2014-2015 FUNDING
- NEWSPAPER ARTICLES REGARDING FUNDING
- ASSESSMENT INCREASE AND COMPARISON FOR EACH OF THE TEN MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION BOUNDARIES
- FUNDING DOCUMENT LISTING BASE/CATEGORICAL AND EQUALIZATION SUPPORT FOR THE 2013-2014 AND THE 2014-2015 ESTIMATES
- FUNDING BOOKLET FROM THE PROVINCE

### **INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION DRAFT BUDGET DOCUMENTS:**

- SYNOPSIS OF THE 2014-2015 PROVINCIAL REVENUE AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL BUDGET
- ENROLMENT PROJECTIONS AND CLASS BREAKDOWN FOR SEPTEMBER 2014. INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION ESTIMATED STUDENT ENROLMENT WILL DECREASE BY 40 STUDENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2014
- STAFFING ALLOCATIONS AND PUPIL TEACHER RATIO ESTIMATIONS. (DRAFT BUDGET IS BASED ON 241 PROFESSIONAL STAFF NUMBERS)
- SUMMARY COMPARISONS FOR THE 2014-2015 BUDGET
- ACTUAL BUDGET DOCUMENT DETAILS ON A PROGRAM BY PROGRAM BASIS
- ACTUAL BUDGET SUMMARY IN OBJECT REPORT FORMAT.

ON FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> THE COMMITTEE ASKED THE SENIOR ADMINISTRATION TO REVIEW AGAIN SOME OF THE INCREASES THAT WERE ADDED TO THE BUDGET AND PRESENT AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE DRAFT BUDGET AT A COMMITTEE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2014.

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING FEBRUARY 3 & 10-2014**

### **2) SUMMARY OF INTERLAKE S.D. DRAFT BUDGET THAT WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE PUBLIC MEETING ON FEBRUARY 20-2014.**

#### **DRAFT BUDGET MILL RATE, ASSESSMENTS AND FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS:**

- CURRENT MILL NOW RAISES \$1,072,949 (UP \$122,877 FROM THE 2013 CALENDAR YEAR)
- THE TAX INCENTIVE GRANT HAS BEEN FROZEN AGAIN AT 2011, 2012 AND 2013 CALENDAR YEAR LEVELS
- ZERO PERCENT INCREASE IN FUNDING AGAIN FOR THE INTERLAKE SCHOOL DIVISION FOR THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR. THE DIVISION HAS NOT RECEIVED AN INCREASE SINCE 2010 IN PROVINCIAL FUNDING.
- OVERALL AVERAGE DIVISIONAL ASSESSMENT INCREASE OF 12.93 PERCENT (COMBINED RESIDENTIAL WAS 14.59%, FARM INCREASE 17.26% AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES INCREASE 5.19%)
- DRAFT MILL RATE IN THE FIRST DRAFT BUDGET WILL BE SET AT 14.76 MILLS.
- 10.86% INCREASE IS NEEDED FOR THE SPECIAL LEVY MILL RATE FOR THE 2014 CALENDAR YEAR TO BALANCE THE FALL PORTION OF THE 2014-2015 BUDGET AND A PROJECTED 8.18% INCREASE FOR 2015 FOR THE SPRING PORTION.
- SUBSEQUENT TO THE MEETING THE DIVISION WAS INFORMED THAT THE PROVINCE WILL NOT INCREASE THE 20K3 CLASS SIZE INITIATIVE FUNDING. THEY WILL FREEZE THE AMOUNT AT THE SAME LEVEL AS THE PREVIOUS YEAR AT \$99,928.

#### **PROPOSED BUDGETS ADJUSTMENTS:**

- ESTIMATED PUPIL TEACHER RATIO – DOWN FROM 18.29 TO 17.52.
- INCREASE IN READING RECOVERING ACROSS THE DIVISION TO SCHOOLS 1.F.T.E TEACHERS.
- INCREASE IN DIVISIONAL LEAD TEACHERS 2 F.T.E TEACHERS
- INCREASE IN CLASSROOM TEACHERS (NET) 5.0 F.T.E TEACHERS AND TO MOVE THE DIVISION TOWARDS COMPLIANCY BY 2017 FOR THE 20K-3 GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE.
- ADDITIONAL 10 F.T.E EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS.
- 66 LEVEL II SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS PROJECTED.
- 30 LEVEL III SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS PROJECTED.
- CAPITAL “D” BUDGET DECREASED BY \$50,000. THE CAPITAL “D” BUDGET WILL BE \$300,000.
- PART TIME PAYROLL PERSONNEL CLERK .6 POSITION
- DEBENTURE WILL BE REQUIRED ANNUALLY TO PAY FOR FIBRE INSTALLATION \$300,000 PER YEAR.
- NO NEW BUSES WILL BE BUDGETED FOR THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR.
- ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT REQUIRED TO SETUP FOR HIGH SPEED INTERNET CONNECTION IN OUR SCHOOLS \$95,000.

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- 3) PUBLIC MEETING PRESENTATION:** THE COMMITTEE WAS INFORMED THAT THE PUBLIC BUDGET MEETING FORMAT AND STORY-BOARD PRESENTATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 20-2014 AT STONEWALL CENTENNIAL SCHOOL LIBRARY.
- 4) NEXT BUDGET MEETING :** THE NEXT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET (IN-CAMERA) MEETING HAS BEEN SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 3-2014 AT 6:00 P.M

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COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

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SECRETARY-TREASURER