

DATE: December 17, 2013

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee Ken Gibson

SUBJECT: Motion re Resources to Strengthen Liaison Between First Nations Schools and Edmonton Public Schools

REFERENCE: [Trustees' Handbook](#) – Notices of Motion (Section 5.2.2)

ISSUE

Notice of motion was served at the December 3, 2013 board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION**Given**

- **the degree and timing of student mobility between First Nations schools and Edmonton public schools,**
- **limitations in student records following the student,**
- **this Board's commitment to building social capital through partnerships as a means to strengthen student success,**
- **the Provincial Government's commitment to result-based budgets rather than funding in separate silos, and**
- **the Federal Government's desire to strengthen First Nations education,**

that the Advocacy and District Priorities and Governance Committees consider the merits of developing a plan to engage the provincial and federal governments to provide the District additional resources to strengthen liaison between First Nations schools and Edmonton Public schools.

BACKGROUND

I would like to thank a number of my Trustee colleagues for providing constructive suggestions on approaching this notice of motion. I have chosen the route of a motion over a request for information because I believe the request to respond to extraordinary student mobility is beyond the educational mandate of our Administration and that, instead, this is an area that should be seen to require a response beyond our funding from Alberta Education.

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