DATE: Wednesday, June 13, 2012

LOCATION: Donagh Regional School
928 Bethel Road (Rte. 215), Donagh

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:
1. Approval of Agenda (ACTION)

2. Minutes of May 9, 2012 School Board Meeting (ACTION) (P. 2-4)
   Business Arising from the Minutes

3. Superintendent's Report
   3.1 Welcome to Donagh Regional School
   3.2 Eastern School District Numeracy Intervention and Coaching Initiative
   3.3 Indigo *Love of Reading* Grant
   3.4 Senior High Graduation Dates
   3.5 New Playground at St. Jean Elementary School
   3.6 Canada's Distinguished Vice Principal Award
   3.7 National Home and School Award
   3.8 Staffing
   3.9 Congratulations to the New English Language School Board Leadership

4. Other Business
The School Board for the Eastern School District met on Wednesday, May 9, 2012 at Morell Regional High School.

PRESENT: Patsy MacLean, Official Trustee
Ricky Hood, Superintendent of Education
John Cummings, Director of Corporate Services
Cindy MacLean, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was revised by adding two items under the Superintendent's Report: Golden Apple Awards, and Montague Intermediate Industrial Arts and Band Facilities. The Official Trustee accepted the agenda as amended.

Ms. MacLean spoke briefly about her role and mandate as Official Trustee for the Eastern School District over the past fourteen months.

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 14, 2012 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Following a review of the March 14, 2012 School Board Meeting minutes, an amendment was proposed to the first sentence on Page 3 to replace "school Codes of Conduct" with "the School Trip Regulation (IJOA-R)". The Official Trustee approved the Minutes of the March 14, 2012 School Board Meeting as amended.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 11, 2012 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Official Trustee approved the Minutes of the April 11, 2012 School Board Meeting as presented.

There was no business arising from the minutes.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1) Welcome to Morell Regional High School

   JB Crawford, Principal, welcomed the Official Trustee and others to the school and provided an overview of the programs and activities offered at Morell Regional High School.
The Superintendent extended appreciation to Mr. Crawford for his leadership, and to his staff for welcoming the students and parents of Morell Consolidated School during renovations at the Consolidated School.

2) **Project-Based Learning – Teaching with a Difference**

Matt Kelly, a teacher at Morell Regional High School, presented information regarding a project-based learning initiative underway with his Global Issues class. Students were presented with an opportunity to put their own ideas into action to make a difference in the world, and they planned and conducted events to raise funds for several local, national and international charities. Mr. Kelly indicated that not only did the students learn more about the causes they chose to support, but they also learned how hard work, commitment, and communication can have a positive effect on the world.

3) **Heritage Fairs**

The Superintendent reported that fifteen Eastern School District schools have had students participating in Heritage Fair projects this spring, with a number of students scheduled to present their projects at the Provincial Heritage Fair on May 10, 2012 at Confederation Centre of the Arts.

4) **Charlottetown Rural Production of Annie**

Students and staff from Charlottetown Rural High School are putting the finishing touches on their production of Annie which will be performed at the Confederation Centre of the Arts from May 10 to 12.

Mr. Hood acknowledged all the work and effort put forward from talented actors, directors, stage crews, musicians and supporters to stage this musical.

5) **Golden Apple Awards**

At the May 4, 2012 Eastern Area Teachers’ Association Annual Meeting, two Eastern School District teachers were presented with Golden Apple Awards. The Superintendent extended congratulations to the two recipients – Bill Murley from Colonel Gray High School and Diane Dingwell from Morell Consolidated School.

6) **Montague Intermediate Industrial Arts and Band Facilities**

The Superintendent reviewed the chronology of the requested renovation to Montague Intermediate School to provide space for industrial arts and band facilities. Mr. Hood clarified the Board position that the best solution would be to complete an addition onto Montague Intermediate School to provide the necessary facilities.
FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

1) Third Quarter Financial Statements

John Cummings, Director of Corporate Services, presented the Eastern School District third quarter financial statements ending March 31, 2012 which indicate District spending at approximately 70% of the operating budget. The rising costs of heating and diesel fuel creates pressure on the maintenance and transportation division budgets. Mr. Cummings noted that the District is committed to finding savings and working with the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to achieve a balanced budget by June 30, 2012.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Official Trustee expressed appreciation to Principal Crawford and his staff for their hospitality in hosting the Board Meeting at Morell Regional High School.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.