ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT

SUSTAINABILITY STUDY – Meeting # 1 MILLVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Tuesday, October 6, 2015 6:30 p.m.

Council Members Present:

- John Slipp SD 03
- Miriam Grant SD 04
- Andrew Corey SD 05
- David Bowen SD 06
- Terry Pond SD 07
- Ron Buck SD 08
- Kimberley Douglas SD 10 Vice Chair
- Donald Gould SD 11
- Elizabeth Nason SD 12
- Tim Nicholas First Nations

Council Member Regrets:

- Sheila Gallagher SD 01
- Norma Shaw SD 02
- Jane Buckley SD 09
- Mark Noël SD 13 Chair

ASD-W Staff Present:

- David McTimoney, Superintendent
- Jay Colpitts, Director of Schools
- Shawn Tracey, Director of Finance and Administration
- Daniel Wishart, Transportation Manager
- Philip Cliff, Facilities Manager
- Gina Dunnett, Supervisor of Data and Accountability
- Carol Clark-Caterini, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and DEC Secretary

Guests:

Approximately 30 Community Members

➤ Sustainability Study – Millville Elementary School – Meeting #1

- Kimberley Douglass, District Education Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the first Sustainability Study meeting for Millville Elementary School. Kimberley thanked the Principal and staff of Millville Elementary School for their hospitality and tour of the school prior to the meeting.
- David McTimoney, Superintendent of ASD-W presented a 54 page power point presentation called Millville Elementary School Sustainability Study. David reviewed and discussed the content of the slides on school history, statistics and financial data with the public. This presentation can be found along with other pertinent documents and information related to the sustainability study of Millville Elementary School on our website www.asd-w.nbed.nb.ca/sites/ASD-W/sustainability/pages/millville
- The next public meeting at Millville Elementary School will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 1</u>, <u>2015 at 6:30 p.m.</u> where stakeholders will be allowed to present to the District Education Council. A stakeholder form is posted on Anglophone West School District website. This document needs to be completed and sent to Carol Clark-Caterini one week prior to that meeting. The final meeting will be on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at the Fredericton High School Tom Morrison Theatre.
- Three outcomes included in Policy 409 are to remain status quo where the study is declared finished, a vote to make a recommendation to the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development to invest funding for Capital Improvements, and thirdly a recommendation to close the school and place students elsewhere.

Public Comments and Ouestions

- Mr. Forbes, Mayor of Millville thanked everyone for attending the meeting and he requested that page 47 from the Superintendent's presentation be reviewed as a correction needed to be made to remove Larry Moore and Sons Contracting as they were not in the Millville Catchment area. Mr. Forbes went on to say that the staff of Millville Elementary School were outstanding and the Village of Millville was very appreciative of their hard work and dedication to the children of this community.

- A community member asked how the future projection were forecasted and if the Sisson Mines were taken into consideration. New families have moved into the area and the community has seen growth. The Superintendent explained that the enrollment projections were not an exact science as many factors come into play. The district researches business in the area and a model is used based on past enrollment. The Superintendent requested that if the community had information that was not included in his power point presentation, to bring this information forward at the next public meeting.
- A community member commented that if the French Immersion Program was offered in Grade 3 at Millville Elementary School, then a child would have the opportunity to remain at their school rather than travelling to another school that offered the program. Students that live in the Millville Elementary School zone and need to travel outside of their community for French Immersion has been a concern of the community for some time. How does the Millville Elementary School go about offering the French Immersion Program? The Superintendent responded that the student enrollment would need to sustain the program and the hiring of a French Immersion Teacher.
- Chris Duffey, assistant to local MLA, Carl Urquhart, thanked everyone for their attendance and he acknowledged the great work of the Superintendent and district staff involved in the informative power point presentation regarding the Millville Elementary School.

Closing Comments:

- David McTimoney asked if there were any other question that needed to be clarified. The Superintendent reminded the community to be prepared for the next public meeting in December by completing the Stakeholder Registration form and forward to carol.clark-caterini@gnb.ca one week in advance of the meeting with details of who will be presenting to the District Education Council. Contact information was provided in the presentation for the public.
- The Superintendent's power point presentation was posted to the sustainability study website for Millville Elementary School that evening.
- Kimberley Douglass, Vice-Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their questions and comments.
- ➤ Date for Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 1, 2015 Meeting # 2
- ➤ The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.