



Jay Aspin, Chair

Craig Myles, Director of Education

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The September 15, 2020 **Committee of the Whole** of the Near North District School Board was held in the boardroom and via teleconference.

**Trustees Present:**

Jay Aspin, Chair  
John Cochrane, Vice-Chair  
Al Bottomley  
Donna Breault  
Nichole King  
Rob Learn (via phone)  
Louise Sargent  
Bill Steer

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Craig Myles, Director of Education  
Liz Therrien, Superintendent of Business  
Tim Graves, Superintendent  
Gay Smylie, Acting Superintendent of Education  
Mel Gray, Acting Superintendent of Education  
James Bennett, Communications Officer  
Maureen Egan, Recording Secretary

Christopher Walkling, Principal  
Sean Ruddy, Principal  
Steve Krause, Principal  
Laurie Forth, Principal  
Jason Mirtl, Health and Safety Officer  
James Coventry, Health and Safety Coordinator

**Trustee Regrets:**

Harry Fry



### 3.2 NNDSB Statement on Racism

#### Motion: N.King/A.Bottomley

That the attached equity and inclusion statement and plan for the 2020-21 school year be forwarded to the board for approval and included on the website. **Carried**

### 3.3 School Re-opening Update

Director Myles acknowledged the hard work of staff this summer to ensure a smooth transition to school. The attached report provides a very in-depth look at our re-opening.

SO Graves acknowledged key staff and principals who worked throughout the summer preparing for re-entry including Christopher Walkling, Laurie Forth, Steve Krause, Sean Ruddy, Mel Gray and Andrew Busch. He encouraged trustees to review the attached report and noted challenges including complexity in accounting for the large number of changes when families change their mode of learning; and when students are sent

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