



**New Board Chair Elected**

In a by-election for Board Chair, the Superior-Greenstone District School Board (DSB) elected Pinky McRae as its new Chairperson. Ms. McRae replaces former Chairperson Bette Bartlett who indicated that she is no longer inclined toward the undertaking of the task of Board Chair. Ms. Bartlett continues on the board as the trustee representing the Nipigon area ward. Ms. McRae who is a trustee representative for the ward of Marathon thanked the board members for their support and advised she is committed to working with the all members in a manner that would see the best outcome for student success in Superior-Greenstone District School Board.



**Employee Recognition for 10 and 25-Year Milestones**

Long term service award recipients are employees recognized for having reached a 10 or 25 year milestone in their careers within the previous calendar year. Congratulations to everyone for the achievement of service years and the contributions made to your respective schools during this time.

**— 10 Year Service**

Employee	School	Employee	School
Gerry Jane Bailey	BAPS	Heidi Patterson	MTPS
David Binette	DOPS	David Lengyl	LSHS
Patricia Stenlund	DOPS	Suzan Terry	LSHS
Barb O'Neill	GOPS	Jennifer Tucker	GCHS
Deborah Mahoney	GOPS	Colleen Chisholm	MRHS
Carol Keeley	MTPS	Dwayne Oldford	MRHS
Carol Peterson	MTPS	Jennifer Hart	MRHS
Mark Caver	MTPS	Kathy Inwood	MRHS
Patricia Jerome	MTPS	Cheryl McLeod	NRHS
Brandy Robbins	RRPS	Melissa Laukkanen	NRHS

**— 25 Years Service**

Employee	School
Leona Ray	GOPS
Diane Malashewski	MMPS
Gary Timms	MNHS
Susan Ferguson	MNHS
Shirley Spencer	MRHS
Lynne Whitmore	MTPS
Joan Duke	NRHS
Horst Prager	TBPS



**2011-2012 Elementary Staffing Proposal**

School	2010/2011		September 2011		Change in Teachers
	FTE Enrolment	Classroom Teachers	FTE Enrolment	Classroom Teachers	
B.A. Parker	141.00	9.00	146.50	9.00	0.00
Beardmore	33.00	3.00	36.00	3.00	0.00
Caramat	3.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	-1.00
Dorion	45.00	4.00	39.50	4.00	0.00
George O'Neill	90.00	5.50	80.00	5.00	-0.50
Manitouwadge	66.50	5.00	50.00	4.00	-1.00
Margaret Twomey	205.50	11.00	204.50	11.00	0.00
Marjorie Mills	54.50	4.00	59.00	4.00	0.00
Nakina	21.50	2.50	23.50	2.00	-0.50
Red Rock	38.00	4.00	32.50	3.00	-1.00
Schreiber	32.50	3.00	36.00	3.00	0.00
Terrace Bay	40.50	4.00	43.50	4.00	0.00
<b>Total FTE</b>	<b>771.00</b>	<b>56.00</b>	<b>740.50</b>	<b>52.00</b>	<b>-4.00</b>

The guiding principles for elementary staffing for September 2011:

- ❖ Low pupil teacher ratio is a major consideration when determining staffing for multi-age classrooms; an attempt to eliminate quadruple grades in the literacy and numeracy blocks and limit the pupil-teacher ratio to 15:1 will be a focus;
- ❖ Flexibility in responding to the needs of schools experiencing an increase in enrolment in September 2011.



**March 31, 2011 Enrolment Count Date**

<b>ELEMENTARY Schools</b>	<b>BUDGET FTE Mar 31/11</b>	<b>ACTUAL FTE Mar 31/11</b>	<b>MARCH Variance</b>	<b>ACTUAL FTE Oct 31/10</b>	<b>ACTUAL ADE</b>	<b>BUDGETED ADE</b>
B.A. Parker PS	142.00	141.50	-0.50	148.50	145.00	142.00
Beardmore PS	33.00	34.50	1.50	35.50	35.00	33.00
Caramat PS	4.00	0	-4.00	3.00	1.50	4.00
Dorion PS	45.00	37.50	-7.50	38.50	38.00	45.00
George O'Neill PS	91.00	86.00	-5.00	81.50	83.75	91.00
Manitouwadge PS	66.50	65.00	-1.50	64.00	64.50	66.50
Margaret Twomey PS	206.50	207.50	1.00	202.50	205.00	206.50
Marjorie Mills PS	49.50	57.50	8.00	56.00	56.75	49.50
Nakina PS	21.50	19.50	-2.00	22.00	20.75	21.50
Red Rock PS	38.00	34.50	-3.50	35.50	35.00	38.00
Schreiber PS	32.50	39.00	6.50	41.00	40.00	32.50
Terrace Bay PS	40.50	41.50	1.00	45.50	43.50	40.50
<b>Total Elementary Enrolment</b>	<b>770.00</b>	<b>764.00</b>	<b>-6.00</b>	<b>773.50</b>	<b>768.75</b>	<b>770.00</b>

  

<b>SECONDARY Schools</b>	<b>BUDGET FTE Mar 31/11</b>	<b>ACTUAL FTE Mar 31/11</b>	<b>MARCH Variance</b>	<b>ACTUAL FTE Oct 31/10</b>	<b>ACTUAL ADE</b>	<b>BUDGETED ADE</b>
Geraldton Composite HS	252.00	239.25	-12.75	258.00	248.63	258.50
Lake Superior HS	132.00	144.00	12.00	145.25	144.63	133.00
Manitouwadge HS	114.00	90.00	-24.00	92.25	91.13	115.50
Marathon HS	202.00	228.75	26.75	228.75	228.75	206.50
Nipigon Red Rock HS	209.00	200.25	-8.75	204.00	202.13	209.50
<b>Total Secondary Enrolment</b>	<b>909.00</b>	<b>902.25</b>	<b>-6.75</b>	<b>928.25</b>	<b>915.25</b>	<b>923.00</b>

**Three Tenders Awarded for School Projects**

At Lake Superior High School a Mechanical and Electrical Upgrade to replace the old steam boiler heating system, the main electrical transformer, electrical distribution system, and some domestic water distribution systems was awarded to *Rugged Air Systems Ltd* in the amount of \$1,121,163.00.

At Geraldton Composite High School a contract was awarded to *RML Contracting (2005) Ltd* for \$271,760.00 to provide interior and exterior upgrades that are not covered by the B.A. Parker Public School Renovation Project. This includes flooring replacement, ceiling repairs, outside grounds work/bus loading zone, and sidewalk replacement.

Last fall, trustees raised the issue of the second floor classrooms at George O'Neill Public School which on hot, sunny days tended to overheat making the learning environment for students quite uncomfortable. The board suggested measures such as a mechanical cooling system be investigated to alleviate the problem. At that time, the Plant Department capital budget had already been finalized and adding a project was not possible. However, being funded from reserves, the project is feasible. With the project tendered this spring, the board approved the work to go to *Clow Darling Limited Mechanical Contractors* as tendered for \$70,939.00.

**2011-2012 Grants for Student Needs**

The Ministry of Education released the Grants for Student Needs for the 2011-2012 school year on March 31, 2011. The Ministry continues to support key student achievement goals. The funding model includes:

- ❖ Funding of the Provincial Framework Agreements (PDT)
- ❖ Assistance for increased OMERS costs
- ❖ School operations, community use of schools and student transportation increased 2% to help manage commodity price increases
- ❖ Reduction in the First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education Supplement due to change in recognized average class size from 8 to 12
- ❖ Students enrolled in Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) will only be funded as half-time plus the appropriate FTE for time enrolled in an academic program, to a maximum of 1.0 FTE
- ❖ School Condition Improvement funding announced to address school renewal needs
- ❖ Reduction to classroom computer funding has been extended into 2011/2012
- ❖ Reduction to salary benchmarks for non-union staff
- ❖ One-time reduction to the staff development component of Pupil Foundation Grant benchmarks
- ❖ Reduction of 5% in the cost of executive offices

Submission of Board Estimates for 2011-2012 are due into the Ministry by June 30, 2011.