



December 7, 2019

Good day families and school community members:

This information is a follow-up to the October 28, 2019 memo regarding the ongoing review of the Phoenix Academy and Gill Memorial Academy school systems.

Please note below the **Notice of Motion** for your school systems that was brought forward during the December 7, 2019 regular public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District:

**MOTION: Gill Memorial Academy/Phoenix Academy School System, Gill Memorial Academy (K-12), Phoenix Academy (K-12), Sandstone Academy (K-6)**

**WHEREAS** the Newfoundland and Labrador English School District is committed to providing the best possible educational programs for students; and

**WHEREAS** a reorganization of schooling in the Gill Memorial Academy/Phoenix Academy School Systems is required to achieve that objective;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that:

Sandstone Academy K-6 will close effective June, 2020 and all students will attend Phoenix Academy K-12 effective September, 2020.

**BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED** that:

The student attendance zone for Phoenix Academy will be rezoned to include the current student attendance zone for Sandstone Academy.

The following points are meant to outline what this Notice of Motion means for the ongoing review of your school system:

- A Notice of Motion gives formal notice to the school community that a motion will be brought forward at a later date and be voted on by the Board of Trustees.
- No final decision has been made at this time.
- Next steps involve further review and analysis and further consultation with the school communities involved.
- Where a school closure(s) is being considered, a separate public meeting will be held with the school community prior to a vote on the motion, which is expected at the March 28, 2020 regular public meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Should you have any questions about this Notice of Motion for your school systems, please contact Maria Antle, Director of Schools for the Phoenix Academy and Gill Memorial Academy school systems at 256-2547, ext. 314 or via email at [mariaantle@nlesd.ca](mailto:mariaantle@nlesd.ca)

Thank you for your interest and involvement in the school review process and we look forward to working with you during the next phase. As always, information on this process can be found in the school review web page for this system, which can be accessed through the following link: <https://www.nlesd.ca/schools/schoolreview/2020/system-pa.jsp>

We will be in contact prior to the Christmas Holiday with further details regarding the next steps in the school review process.

Regards,



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