



**Date:** June 18, 2025 **Agenda Item:** 7.2

**To:** Board of Trustees

**From:** Shawna Warren, Superintendent

**Originator(s):** Sean Nicholson, Associate Superintendent, Corporate Services

**Subject:** **Gibbons School Amalgamation**

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**Recommended Motion:**

THAT the Board of Trustees approve the Gibbons School Amalgamation if the Gibbons & Landing Trail Solution is approved for construction as part of the Board's Three Year Capital Plan.

**Background:**

On February 26, 2025, administration provided a summary of the Gibbon's community engagement event. This report highlights the success of the community engagement and the feedback from stakeholders in the community.

As outlined in Board Policy 600: School Closure, once the public meeting is held, the decision around the amalgamation has to be made through Board Resolution.

Board Policy 600, Section 2.4 Decision states:

*2.4.1 The Board shall not make a final decision on the proposed closure until at least 3 weeks have passed since the date of the public meeting.*

*2.4.2 The Board shall give due consideration to any written submissions on the proposed closure that it receives after the public meeting.*

*2.4.3 The Board shall by resolution decide whether to close the school.*

The Division's number one priority on its capital plan is proposing to combine Gibbons School and Landing Trail School into one new Kindergarten to Grade 9 school building. In an effort to strengthen the project proposal to the government and provide effective stewardship, the Division engaged with their school communities as part of informing any future decisions.

**Status & Relationship to Superintendent Leadership Quality Standard (SLQS):**

This report aligns with the [SLQS](#) in the following way:

<b>COMPETENCY:</b>	(1) Building Effective Relationships
<b>INDICATORS:</b>	a. collaborating with community and provincial agencies to address the needs of students and their families.

**Governance Implications:****Education Act**

Closure of schools

62(1) A board may, only by resolution, permanently or temporarily

(a) close a school, or

(5) A policy established pursuant to subsection (2) related to the permanent closure of a school must provide for

(a) adequate opportunity for the public to respond to the board's proposal to permanently close a school,

**Policy 600: School Closure**

The Board understands that changing populations and conditions of buildings may necessitate school closure. A decision to close a school shall be made after considering the input from stakeholders.

Administration is prepared to respond to questions at the June 18, 2025, Public Board meeting.

**Attachment(s):**

Not applicable.