

NEWS RELEASE

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Board of Trustees Endorses Action Plan to Address Auditor General's Recommendations

The Board of Trustees of the Newfoundland and Labrador Schools District has endorsed an action plan and associated budget request in response to the recommendations made in the Auditor General's report into the management of the procurement of good and services (Facilities Division - Avalon Region). Approval to move forward with the action plan was provided at the regular public meeting of the Board, held Saturday, Nov. 3 at the District Conference Centre in St. John's, and broadcast live on the District website.

"The Board of Trustees takes the Auditor General's report very seriously, and we are determined to put the policies, procedures and resources in place to address the recommendations," said Board Vice-Chair Wayne Lee, who chaired the meeting. "There is no quick fix to this - and there's no solution that doesn't involve new software, new systems, and the human resources to implement them. We must address the conditions within the school district which allowed fraud to occur."

The Board will be submitting the action plan and budget request to the Provincial Government. It can be viewed here: [NLESD Action Plan](#).

Saturday's Board meeting also saw discussion on grade reconfiguration within the Mobile Central High School system; a new Refusal of Schools Admission policy to align with recent changes to the Schools Act, 1997; a draft annual report to be presented to the Provincial Government, and a presentation on Deep Learning. Deep Learning puts increased focus on the process of learning, experiential learning, and how students can demonstrate acquired knowledge in ways other than through traditional assessment practices.

A recording of the Nov. 3 Board meeting is available at www.nlesd.ca.

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