



OPERATIONS TRANSPORTATION REPORT

J. Hanlon, Secretary-Treasurer

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Ministry Recognition

The Ministry of Education has recognized our amazing school secretaries for reconciling differences with our student PENs (Personal Education Numbers). Well done ladies! The February second count has been done as well. Once again the hard work of our secretaries and Charlene needs to be noted as we have very few changes once we do the extract to the verification software to send out data to the Ministry. Well done!!

Bus Driver Pro D

On February 19th, the bus drivers had a Pro-D session on Pre-Trip. Frank Marasco was brought in to do the presentation as he has developed a very thorough process. Our drivers were impressed with the system and we instituted as many changes as we could on Monday, February 22nd. In the afternoon, Pete Kootnekoff, our Driver/Trainer, presented a program called SMART driver which teaches drivers how to get better fuel consumption. This was one of the actions we were planning on implementing for our Carbon Action Plan. Frank helped with the development and was the *Train the Trainer* of this program as well.



Everyone had a good day with Frank and Pete.

Technology

The IT department has been busy working with PLNet, Shaw and Telus to implement the ASA firewall. Greenwood Elementary now has fibre, along with all of our other facilities. The server room construction and planning continues. The walls have been soundproofed and built to data specifications. The environmental aspects of the room (power, fire suppression and security) are presently being worked on. Tendering for the fibre install will be going out shortly. This is a federal grant that the City applied for and they have given us an extension to March 3, 2011. We, however, must spend \$450,000 on the project by March 31, 2010.



The Smartboard has been installed at Hutton. The items to be installed at GFSS have been ordered. Thanks to Shawn Lockhart and the GFSS staff for making this happen.

Operation Committee

I will be calling an Operations Committee meeting this week to discuss whether the safer stop for the Mt. Baldy/Alden parents could be moved from Bridesville to the turnout across from Mt. Baldy and Highway 3.

Cash Flow

The Ministry will be changing the way they flow monies to school districts starting in July 2010. I don't anticipate a problem with this method for next year. I am, however, getting Alex to do a cash flow for this year to see if we can anticipate any shortages.