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 **SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 73
(KAMLOOPS-THOMPSON)**
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BOARD NOTES

December 11, 2017

CONSENT AGENDA

- Finance and Planning Committee highlights
- Policy Committee highlights
- Education Committee of the whole highlights
- Committee meeting dates for 2018
- BC Winter Games

Details of the consent agenda can be found on the public agenda.

EDUCATION TOPIC

The Board was entertained by the talented Christmas caroling of the District Honour's Choir, which sang four songs for trustees and others who were present for the public meeting.

REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

2018 GRADUATION SCHEDULE – The Board was told that the 2018 commencement ceremony schedule for the District's 15 secondary school programs will be posted on the district's website.

REPORTS FROM SECRETARY-TREASURER

LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN – The Board learned more about how enrolment growth and changes to class size and composition requirements are impacting schools and classroom space. Trustees heard that in most schools, space is very limited. The report recommends adding more portables or repurposing classrooms at schools with growth pressure as an interim measure instead of reopening previously closed schools. As well, Grade 7 students in rural communities could be moved to secondary schools to better balance space and student populations. The Board debated the report and voted to move forward with its recommendations. Further steps and community consultation, when required, are expected in the new year.

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Board discussed possible dates in January for community consultations in Barriere, Chase and Clearwater to discuss moving Grade 7 students to secondary schools. Dates will be set as soon as possible.

MOTIONS

- Policy 506.5 Graduated Adults
- Policy 912.2 Principals and Vice-Principals; Process for Appointment
- Policy 1030.1 Interior Painting of Schools

Details of motions can be found on the public agenda.

The next public meeting will take place at the School Board Office on January 15th at 7 p.m.