

## OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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TO:

Greater Victoria School District #61 Facility Renters

FROM:

Piet Langstraat, Superintendent of Schools

DATE:

March 8, 2018

RE:

Facilities Rental Rate Increases - July 2018

## Dear Facility Renter:

The Greater Victoria School District #61 is in the process of preparing our annual budget for the coming year (2018/2019). As has been the case in past years, the rates charged for the rental of School District Facilities is part of this annual budget process.

As some of you may be aware, District staff has been reviewing the rates charged for some time. The decision was made last year to not increase rental rates and, in fact, the last rental rate increase for the use of District facilities was in 2014 for the 2014/2015 budget year. The process being used for this review had a number of objectives:

- 1. To continue to recognize the difference between youth and adult use of District facilities;
- 2. To recognize the actual operating and capital depreciation costs to the District that are associated with the rental of our facilities;
- 3. To balance the rental rates being charged so that all renters across the District are paying the same rental rate for the same type of facility and/or service; and
- 4. Propose a new rate structure, implemented over a three-year period (2018/2019 to 2020/2021) and to then standardize annual rental rate increases based on the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) for each budget year thereafter.

The internal process of meeting these objectives has been completed. Draft new rental rates have been established (attached) and our plan is to include these in the 2018/2019 annual budget process. I wanted to send these new rental rates out to you, as I know many of you are in your annual budgeting processes and need to know what to budget for the use of our facilities. I would also like to give you some time to look at these rates and then to attend a public meeting to review the new rates and discuss the reasoning behind them prior to a final submission to the Board.

This Rental Rate Meeting is planned for the GVSD District Offices located at 556 Boleskine Road at 7:00pm on April 4, 2018. You are cordially invited to attend.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Piet Langstraat

Superintendent of Schools

Attachment: Proposed GVSD Facilities Rental Rates - 2018-2019 to 2020/2021