



June 2019

**Project Summary
École J.H. Sissons School**

Governance

The Steering Committee continues to meet regularly to provide governance and communications oversight for the École J.H. Sissons (EJHS) project.

The Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from the Department of Education, Culture and Employment (ECE), the Department of Infrastructure (INF), and the Yellowknife Education District No. 1 (YK1).

Sissons Advisory Group

At its initial meeting, the Sissons Advisory Group (SAG) reviewed three preliminary conceptual design options. Based on their feedback, ECE and INF worked to produce a revised concept which was reviewed by the SAG at a second meeting at the end of April 2019.

The Steering Committee reviewed the SAG's recommendations at their mid-May 2019 meeting and provided the following feedback:

- The SAG asked the Steering Committee to approve a startup meeting with the SAG and the design consultant (once in place) to continue discussion and review design concepts. The Steering Committee noted that while this is outside the SAG terms of reference, they are in agreement with this request.
- The SAG asked the Steering Committee if the schematic design meeting scheduled for August 16 can be rescheduled to the first week of September 2019. The Steering Committee asked the SAG to continue with the August 16 meeting as scheduled, to retain the overall project time. The August meeting will be held via teleconference, and ECE and INF will provide administrative and logistical support to the SAG to assist in their review.
- The SAG asked the Steering Committee if it is necessary to put showers in the gym change room for community use, since they will not be used by the school. The Steering Committee agreed to maintain showers in the gym change room for community use. While they may not be currently used by the school, future needs of potential user groups must be taken into consideration.



The SAG is meeting with the consultant in mid-June 2019, to answer any questions the consultant may have about the process to date.

Accommodations Plan

YK1 presented the draft Accommodations Plan to the Steering Committee at its June 6 meeting. While the draft plan has been submitted it is not yet approved. It is undergoing detailed review by technical experts in the Department of Infrastructure. Once this review is complete, the Steering Committee will review a final plan and associated costs. It is anticipated that the Accommodations Plan will be finalized by August 2019 and be posted publicly.

Requests for Proposal

To date, the following Request for Proposal (RFP) processes have been initiated:

- Hazmat / Demolition – opened March 26; closed April 18; awarded May 22
- Architectural Design – opened April 4; closed May 7; awarded June 3