

MEMORANDUM

PARKLAND SCHOOL DIVISION	November 30, 2021 Regular Board Meeting
то	Board of Trustees
FROM	Shauna Boyce, Superintendent
ORIGINATOR	Aimee Henning, Trustee
RESOURCE	Scott Johnston, Associate Superintendent
GOVERNANCE POLICY	Board Policy 2: Role of the Board
ADDITIONAL REFERENCE	BP 2: Stakeholder Engagement and Communication BP 2: Supports and Services Administrative Procedure 124: Council of School Councils
SUBJECT	Council of School Councils (COSC)

PURPOSE

Information. No recommendation required.

BACKGROUND

The Board of Trustees is responsible for meeting with representatives of the School Councils to provide information, share resources and discuss strategies. The attached report is in support of these responsibilities.

REPORT SUMMARY

On November 2, 2021 a COSC meeting was held virtually and covered the following topics.

Associate Superintendent Johnston, discussed the spirit of COSC and what it means to be a part of COSC. COSC members discussed the value, meaning and what information is shared at COSC meetings.

Brenda Cryer was nominated and acclaimed as new Chairperson for the 2021-2022 COSC term. Leigh Maxwell was nominated and acclaimed as the Vice Chair for the 2021-2022 COSC term.

COSC members reviewed the proposed meeting dates and approved the amended meeting dates for the 2021-2022 school term. March and May dates will be set once ASCA releases their meeting information for the ASCA conference.

- December 7
- February 1
- March TBD
- May TBD

Trustee Hennig reviewed information to the COSC members outlining Board highlights from the first Board Meeting (October 29).

- Elected Officials Trustee Hennig provided a summary of Trustees who were elected for the Board and elected for Chair (Lorraine Stewart) and Vice Chair (Anne Montgomery).
- Enrollment Report 2021-2022: There is a current student count of 11,944 students in the Parkland School Division, which is an increase of 427 students.
- Community A enrolments increased by 66 students or 11.6% (Duffield, Entwistle, Tomahawk, Wabamun)
- Community B enrolments increased by 267 students or 5.6% (Forest Green, High Park, Memorial Composite High, Meridian, Stony Plain Central, Connections for Learning, Muir Lake, Blueberry)
- Community C enrolments increased by 188 students or 3.2% (Brookwood, Broxton park, Copperhaven, Graminia, Greystone, Millgrove, Parkland Village, Prescott Learning Centre, Spruce Grove Composite High School, Woodhaven)
- Outreach enrolments decreased by 94 students or 25.5%
- New Modulars for schools: New modular units have been approved for schools. 6 for Meridian, 4 for Copperhaven, 9 for Blueberry, 5 for Muir Lake and, 6 for Broxton Park.

Associate Superintendent Johnston discussed changes that have happened at the start of the 2021-2022 school term.

- Vaccine Mandates: Parkland School Division will start its vaccine or PCR testing mandate as of November 15, 2021.
- Baseline Measurements: Alberta Education requested baseline measurements for unfinished learning
 for students in grade 1 to 3. These measurements were required for students that had unfinished
 learning due to COVID-19 absences, delays or from being in and out of virtual learning. The grant
 application was submitted by PSD to receive additional funding of just over \$400 per student who was
 identified in the grades 1-3 that had a learning gap. Currently, PSD Executive are working with school
 Principals on where to apply the funding that best assists the student in their learning.
- PSD Staff: Parkland School Division had a keynote speaker at the Staff Opening Day, regarding Bias and Antiracism. PSD will be continuing to explore development in this area, and utilizing this information in their hiring practices moving forward.
- Return to Sports: Parkland School Division is slowly opening up sports at this time Volleyball and a current Arts Production are moving forward.

• Duffield Outreach Program: Duffield school is currently a new outreach facility for Paul First nations students. Students can attend the Duffield school for additional assistance in their learning. Principal Cherie Lovsund provided additional information regarding the outreach program.

Administration would be pleased to answer any questions.

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