



## MEMORANDUM

March 8, 2022  
Regular Board Meeting

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<b>TO</b>	Board of Trustees
<b>FROM</b>	Shauna Boyce, Superintendent
<b>ORIGINATOR</b>	Mark Francis, Deputy Superintendent
<b>RESOURCE</b>	The Parkland School Division ASBA Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr Selection Committee: Trustee Cameron, Trustee Hennig, Trustee Wagner
<b>GOVERNANCE POLICY</b>	Board Policy 2: Role of the Board Board Policy 8: Board Committees Board Policy 12: Role of the Superintendent
<b>ADDITIONAL REFERENCE</b>	Board Annual Work Plan
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>EDWIN PARR AWARD</b>

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### PURPOSE

For approval. Recommendation is required.

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Trustees recognizes, Alyssa Bridgeman from Connections for Learning, Laura Kraus from Graminia School, and Taylor Pocock from Spruce Grove Composite High School, as the three Parkland School Division Edwin Parr nominees. And further, that the Board submits Taylor Pocock's nomination to the Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr Selection Committee, as presented at the Regular Meeting of March 8, 2022.

### BACKGROUND

Each year the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) honours, six outstanding first-year teachers, one from each of the six zones identified by ASBA, with the Edwin Parr Teacher Award. School boards may nominate any first-year K-12 teacher who has taught in an Alberta school jurisdiction which is a member of the ASBA. As part of the Board Annual Work Plan and the selection process, each year three Trustees volunteer to sit on the Parkland School Division ASBA Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr Selection Committee. This recommendation is in support of this Board responsibility and process.

## REPORT SUMMARY

In 1964, the Alberta School Trustees' Association established the Edwin Parr Teacher Award to remember the long and meritorious service of past President Edwin Parr. Nominees of the award are selected based on his/her:

- Knowledge of student learning styles
- Skill in utilizing a variety of student evaluation methodologies
- Skill in diagnosing the entry knowledge and/or skill of students for a given set of instructional objectives
- Skill in assisting students to develop a positive self-concept
- Involvement in professional development
- Involvement in extra-curricular and community activities
- Interpersonal skills with students

Edwin Parr nominees are judged with these seven consideration items as present in the teacher evaluation, scholastic history (university marks) and student teaching records.

Our schools were invited to identify a first-year teacher to serve as Parkland's nomination to the ASBA's Zone 2/3. Three nominations for outstanding First-Year Teacher were received:

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| <b>Alyssa Bridgeman</b> | Ms. Bridgeman is teaching Grade 7 Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science at Connections for the Learning (CFL).   |
| <b>Laura Kraus</b>      | Ms. Kraus is teaching all subjects for her Grade 6 class, and Science to all the Grade 6 classes at Graminia School.  |
| <b>Taylor Pocock</b>    | Mr. Pocock is teaching high school Grades 10, 11 and 12 at Spruce Grove Composite High School, in the subject areas of Physical Education, Foods and English Language Arts. |

The Parkland School Division ASBA Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr selection committee would be pleased to respond to any questions.

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