



**PARKLAND
SCHOOL DIVISION**

Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

MAY 30, 2023



Our Vision

Our students possess the confidence, resilience, insight and skills required to thrive in, and positively impact, the world.

Our Board

Aileen Wagner
WARD 1

Lorraine Stewart (Chair)
WARD 2

Aimee Hennig
WARD 3

Paul McCann
WARD 4

Eric Cameron
WARD 5

Anne Montgomery
WARD 5

Jill Osborne (V. Chair)
WARD 5

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Fiscal Budget

Trustees approved the [2023-2024 Fiscal Budget](#).

The budget indicates:

- A deficit of \$483,401.
- Total revenue of \$153,486,289.
- Expenses of \$153,969,690.

It is expected that the Division's accumulated surplus from operations (inclusive of School Generated Funds of \$593,275) will have a balance of \$3,893,674 as of August 31, 2024.

Revenues increased \$16.5 million (12.0%) from last year's budget and operating expenses increased by \$14.7 million (10.6%). The budget includes Athabasca Delta Community School (ADCS) as it was added to PSD by ministerial order on August 8, 2022. As ADCS was added after the 2022-2023 budget was approved, it is not included in the 2022-2023 comparators.

Education Plan

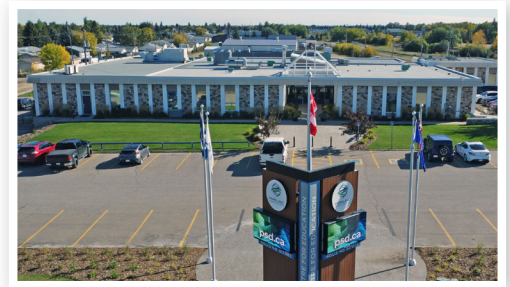
The Board approved the [2023-2026 Education Plan](#). The Division's Education Plan is the document that guides the strategic plans for PSD and schools for the following year, within a three-year time frame. Information has been gathered from a wide variety of feedback sources, including Trustees, the Superintendent's executive team, school administrators, community stakeholders, students, teachers and parents.

Revised Transportation Fees

The Board approved a revised [Revised Transportation Fees](#). Fee increases are required to operate the regional transportation system on a break-even basis. Fee increases are being proposed to offset Transportation's anticipated increases in contractor rates due to inflation and the recently announced changes in the student eligibility distances (1 kilometre for K-6 students and 2 km for 7-12 students). Ridership is expected to increase as a result of the eligibility changes, so PSD is adding 10 new routes to the system.

Board Policy

Trustees approved the revised [Board Policy 13: Appeals to the Board Regarding Student Matters](#) with amendments.



Advocacy Update

As per PSD's [Board Policy 1](#): the Board shall establish and maintain governance and organizational structures that promote student well-being and success which includes an annual plan for advocacy. Recent Board activity related to advocacy includes:

- The receipt of a response (dated April 13, 2023) from the Minister of Education approving PSD's request to transfer \$1.6 million from Operating Reserves to Capital Reserves for the 2022-2023 year. This transfer will allow PSD to combine the two leased sites dedicated to providing outreach, alternative programming and virtual education into one new and improved site. [Read more.](#)
- Sending an email to the Minister of Education on April 27, 2023, regarding the Board's concerns about the new transportation distance parameters. [Read more.](#)

Other highlights

Trustees received the following as information:

- [Career & Technology Report](#)
- [Strategic Communications Department Report](#)