



**PARKLAND  
SCHOOL DIVISION**

# Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

SEPTEMBER 12, 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 (V. Chair)  
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  
WARD 5

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Watch a video recording of the meeting by clicking on the image below.



Trustee profiles and more at  
[www.psd.ca/board](http://www.psd.ca/board)

## Chair & Vice Chair Sworn-in

At the Organizational Meeting for the 2023–2024 school year, back on June 20, the Board re-elected Trustee Lorraine Stewart (Ward 2) as Board Chair and elected Trustee Aileen Wagner (Ward 1) as Vice Chair.

Both Trustees took their oath of office at the Regular Meeting on September 12.



## Appeal Hearing Panel

Trustees approved the recommendation that the Board convene an [Appeal Hearing Panel](#) composed of all Trustees who expressed interest to hear the appeal of a parent regarding an education matter affecting their child.

## Governance Budget Allocation

The Board approved a [Governance Budget Allocation](#) up to a maximum of \$6,000 to support representation from School Councils at the 2024 Alberta School Councils' Association Conference and Annual General Meeting.

## 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:

- A meeting held in July with the Minister of Education, Demetrios Nicolaides, where Trustees introduced the Minister to the uniqueness of PSD and voiced concerns regarding curriculum, new school builds, the funding model and mental health of students and staff.
- The receipt of a response (dated August 31, 2023) from the Minister of Education approving PSD's request to access operating reserves for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Participating in an upcoming town hall meeting, hosted by the [Alberta Student Transportation Advisory Council](#), where the focus will be on transportation issues, including driver and bus shortages.

## Other highlights

Trustees received the following as information:

- [2023 Facilities Services Department Report](#)
- [2022-2023 Human Resources Report](#)
- [Off-site Activities Report](#)

The next Board meeting is Tuesday, October 10 at 9 a.m. ([watch the live stream here](#)).