



**PARKLAND  
SCHOOL DIVISION**

# Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH 5, 2024



## 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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## Woodhaven Delegation

The Board welcomed a delegation from [Woodhaven Middle School](#) featuring staff and students promoting [Woodhaven Performing Arts](#). The group was led by Nealle Dickson (Principal) and Allison Refugia (teacher), and included students, Julia N. (Grade 9), Kendra S. (Gr. 9) and Nehemiah S. (Gr. 8).



## Edwin Parr Nominee

Trustees approved the recommendation that put forth Isabela Ramos as PSD's [Edwin Parr Award nominee](#) for this year. The Board will submit Isabela's nomination to the Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3 Edwin Parr Selection Committee for consideration. The provincial award recognizes six finalists as outstanding first year teachers, two coming from Zone 2/3.

## Fees & Allowances

The Board approved the [2024-2025 Fees and Allowances](#). Changes to transportation fees were minimal as the fee changes made last year are anticipated to provide enough funding in conjunction with the transportation grant process. Some school fees required adjustment based on discussion with our schools and to keep up with inflationary increases.

## Friends of Education Award

Trustees approved the nomination of the Rotary Club of Spruce Grove Community Partners Society for the [Friends of Education Award](#). The award is sponsored by the Alberta School Boards Association and recognizes dedication and contribution to student education.

## Three-Year Capital Plan

Trustees approved the [Three-Year Capital Plan \(2024-2027\)](#) submission. The plan serves as the Board's ranked priority list that is submitted to Alberta Infrastructure for consideration when it comes to funding future capital projects.

## Board Policy

The Board approved the revised [Board Policy 13: Appeals to the Board Regarding Student Matters](#). Key changes include updated language to better reflect Alberta Legislation under the Education Act, updated format and language to add additional clarity, and the revision of the Schedule highlighting the appeal process.

## 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 Board received notification that PSD did not receive construction funding for the replacement of Spruce Grove Composite High School in Budget 2024. The Board will write to the Ministers of Education and Infrastructure to determine what is required of the division in the coming year, as the replacement school remains the top priority in [PSD's Capital Plan](#). Trustees are also working on an advocacy plan that includes meeting with the City of Spruce Grove, local MLAs and keeping stakeholders informed.

## Other highlights

Trustees received the following as information:

- [2023-2024 Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal/Capital Maintenance Renewal Expenditure Report](#)
- [Numeracy Report](#)
- [Stakeholder Engagement Report](#)

The next Board meeting is Tuesday, April 9 at 9 a.m. ([watch the livestream here](#)).