

## **Board Meeting HIGHLIGHTS**

**FEBRUARY 18, 2025** 



#### **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 (V. Chair)
WARD 3

Paul McCann WARD 4

Eric Cameron
WARD 5

Anne Montgomery WARD 5

Jill Osborne WARD 5

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#### **Active Living for All**

The Board welcomed Christine Ross (Division Principal, Wellness & Community Partnerships), Chantelle Robertson (Occupational Therapist) and Melissa Vasilcin (Occupational Therapist). The trio presented on Adapted Physical Activity, a PSD initiative designed to meet the diverse needs of students with physical disabilities and sensory sensitivities. The program provides opportunities for growth, well-being and enjoyment of physical activity for all students.

# Click to watch a video about Adapted Physical ( Activity at PSD



#### **Ad Hoc Committee**

Trustees approved the <u>formation of an ad hoc</u> <u>committee</u> to conduct an in-depth study of the most appropriate local and provincial advocacy strategies for addressing student conduct and behaviour. <u>Board Policy 8</u> (section 10) grants the Board the authority to establish ad hoc committees to assist them for a specific purpose or function.

#### **Board Policy 18**

The Board approved the revised version of Board Policy 18.

 ► Board Policy 18: Learning and Working in a Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Environment

#### **Labour Action Recommendations**

Following an in-camera session, the Board passed the following two recommendations.

- 1—That the Board of Trustees approves of taking lockout action as per the Labour Relations Code, to be potentially utilized within the next 120 days.
- 2—That the Board of Trustees only authorize a lockout if the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 5543 strike action jeopardizes the safety of students or results in operationally untenable circumstances.

The recommendations align with common labour negotiation practices focused on sustaining a stable learning environment during periods of labour unrest.

Visit our <u>Labour Action Updates</u> web page for more labour related information.

#### **Advocacy Update**

As per PSD's <u>Board Policy 2</u>: the Board shall establish and maintain governance and organizational structures that promote student well-being and success which includes an annual plan for advocacy.

 The Board has concerns about the method of distribution of the federal funding for <u>Jordan's</u> <u>Principle</u>. Trustees support the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta's advocacy related to this matter and have discussed if there is any further advocacy the Board could undertake.

#### Other highlights

Trustees received the following as information:

• Student Services Report