

Board News

June 20, 2018

Our Board of Trustees is comprised of Brenda Rosadiuk, *Chair*, Joan Zaporosky, *Vice Chair*, Ellen Aust, Shirley Caputo, Ken Fate, Fiona Fowler and Dale Karpluk



- A. Auriat and two summer students from Edson Recycling gave an informative presentation on their recent Waste Review Pilot Project at École Pine Grove Middle School in Edson. The board thanked the team for their dedication to reducing waste in many GYPSD communities, and offering school programs to increase environmental awareness with students.
- The board held their organizational meeting today to hold elections for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2018/19 school year. B. Rosadiuk, trustee from the Lobstick zone, was elected in as Board Chair, and J. Zaporosky, trustee from Edson, was elected as Vice-Chair. Trustees also appointed various representatives to a number of board committees that align with Policy 8 and 9.
- Trustees updated the monthly activities and events that they attend under the Policy 2, Appendix A - Board Annual Work Plan.
- Feedback collected from the province's recent Transportation Stakeholder Engagement was shared with trustees. School boards have now been asked to provide feedback back to the province on three areas around changing the eligibility distance by age; incorporating safety criteria at the provincial or board level; and if funding for safety criteria should be considered.
- Grande Yellowhead schools in Edson, Grande Cache and Jasper will receive provincial funding from the 2018/19 School Nutrition Grant to assist in providing 'one meal per day per student in a school' under the grant's guidelines. All GYPSD elementary schools were invited to submit an application for the grant: Jasper Elementary School and École Westhaven in Edson have successfully applied for funding to enhance their current nutrition programs, and Summitview School in Grande Cache will establish a new program for their Grade 4-6 students. Sheldon Coates School and the SonRise program at Grande Cache Community High School received Nutrition Grant funding last year and have also been approved for continued funding in to the new year.
- The board discussed some key strategies to include in the development of the upcoming Combined Three Year Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report that will align with the division's new priorities, *Student Learning, Teaching and Leadership Excellence, and Community Engagement*.
- C. Wang, Secretary Treasurer, reported on the division's financial results as at May 31, 2018, as well as projections for the year ending August 31, 2018. Actual revenues and expenditures are within target percentages expected for the third quarter.
- Please note that this is the last Public Board meeting before breaking for the summer; the next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2018.