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Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of Grande Yellowhead Public School Division No. 77

Meeting Number 03

October 9, 2019 – 10:00 am Education Services Centre, Edson, AB

TRUSTEE ATTENDANCE:

E. Aust	Absent
S. Caputo	Present
K. Fate	Present
F. Fowler	Present
D. Karpluk	Present
J. Zaporosky, Vice Chair	Absent
B. Rosadiuk, Chair	Present

ADMINISTRATION ATTENDANCE:

- C. Lewis, Superintendent of Schools
- S. Nicholson, Secretary Treasurer
- C. Aschenmeier, Director of Curriculum and Assessment
- M. Bobilek, Senior Executive Assistant - Learning Services
- J. Pettitt, Executive Assistant

DELEGATIONS PRESENT:

ATA – J. Smeall

Chair Rosadiuk called the meeting to order at 1001 hours.

Moment of Reflection

- 2019-120** **Agenda**
Trustee Fowler moved that the Board approve the agenda. **Carried**

- 2019-121** **Public Board Meeting Minutes**
Trustee Karpluk moved that the Board approve the minutes of the Public Board Meeting from September 25, 2019. **Carried**

- 2019-122** **Imagine Conference 2019**
Trustee Caputo moved that the Board approve the use of division funds be provided to the Imagine Conference in the format of transportation to and from the conference, contributing \$1,400 towards the venue rental and providing lunch for participants. **Defeated**
1 In Favor
4 Opposed

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Delegations

ATA, J. Smeall

- No report

CUPE, D. Conger

- Absent - no report

Public Question Period

No questions.

Trustee Committee / Conference Reports

Trustee Fowler

- Attended Jasper, Grande Cache and Edson School Visits
- Attended Edson Chamber Meeting October 9, 2019
- Attended the Edson Public Library Planning Meeting
- Attended both the Westhaven and Mary Bergeron School Councils

Trustee Caputo

- Attended Jasper, Grande Cache and Edson School Visits
- Attended the Crescent Valley and Mountain View Orange Shirt Day assemblies

Trustee Karpluk

- Attended Jasper, Grande Cache and Edson School Visits
- Attended the ASBA Zone 2/3 meeting

Trustee Fate

- Attended Jasper, Grande Cache School Visits

Chair Rosadiuk

- Attended Jasper, Grande Cache and Edson School Visits

Monitoring Reports

Board Annual Work Plan Review

- Board reviewed the Board Annual Work Plan for the upcoming months.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Update

- Shared the success of the School Visits in Jasper, Grande Cache and Edson
- Provided Principals with an update on enrollment, staffing, and budget.
- Superintendent Lewis and the Board of Trustees have witnessed student learning with a focus on literacy instruction in core subjects.
- On October 11, 2019, each school will be doing a deep dive analysis into their provincial Accountability Pillar results.
- Superintendent Lewis and Secretary Treasurer Nicholson met with the Deputy Minister of Education to talk about the Division and the role of the Board. Superintendent Lewis shared that GYPSD's Board uses data to drive decision making and is well informed and knowledgeable.
- Met with School Council Chairs during the school visits and was pleased to hear positive feedback regarding the junior kindergarten programs being

- offered throughout the Division where many schools have waiting lists.
- Will be attending a meeting on October 10, 2019, where Kevin Cameron will be presenting. There will be representatives from the Alberta Teachers' Association as well as the Deputy Minister.
- Indigenous Palisades Camp took place on October 7 and 8, 2019, at the Palisades Stewardship Education Centre in Jasper. Superintendent Lewis shared that she received correspondence from a government official who was in attendance, thanking the Board and Superintendent Lewis for the invitation and a well-organized event.

School Enrollments – September 30

- Enrollments for the 2019/20 school year are up 66 students in comparison to the 2018/19 school year. Allocation of funds from the province is given to the principals by a per pupil amount and school administration are expected to create a balanced budget from that allocation and based on the needs of the school.

2018 - 2019 International Field Trips and Field Trips

- GYPSD has supported student participation on international field trips and field trips for numerous years. International field trips and regular field trips offer student enhancements to education opportunities, building global citizenship, and developing social awareness skills in youth. Experiential learning builds essential competencies for life and the world of work. Trustees were pleased to see the many opportunities GYPSD students have to visit outside communities through extra-curricular activities, sporting events, and curriculum-based experiential learning opportunities.

Curriculum, Summer School Program, Dual Credit, Work Experience, Registered Apprenticeship, and First Nation Métis and Inuit Graduation Updates

- C. Aschenmeier, Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Indigenous Liaisons, provided updates to the Board on a number of programs.

Curriculum Update

Recommendations from the provincial advisory panel is expected to be publicly shared in December 2019. The Division implemented working and advisory committees in the 2018/19 school year, and continues to provide professional development opportunities to support the implementation of future curriculum.

Summer School Program

A high number of students took advantage of the wide variety of 2019 summer school programming that was offered by both Parkland Composite High School in Edson and The Learning Connection; for example, more than 140 students registered in the Career and Life Management (CALM) session. Outdoor experiential learning opportunities were also offered through the Palisades Stewardship Education Centre in Jasper National Park to GYPSD students and students from across the province.

Dual Credit Program

Six students completed the Pre-Employment Welding Program and received applicable credits through Parkland Composite High School and Grande Prairie Regional College. All students were eligible to challenge the first period Alberta Apprenticeship welding exam.

Work Experience Program

In the 2018/2019 school year, approximately 200 students from five GYPSD high schools and The Learning Connection participated in the program.

Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP)

Twenty-six students from Parkland Composite High School, Harry Collinge High School, Grande Cache Community High School, and The Learning Connection were registered in the RAP program for the 2018/2019 school year.

First Nation Métis and Inuit Graduation

First Nation Métis and Inuit graduation results improved for the 2018/19 school year as well as compared from the previous three-year average. The Drop-Out Rate measure lowered by two per cent which is an improvement on the previous three-year average, and is lower than the province by two per cent. The High School Completion rates for First Nation Métis and Inuit students also show a significant improvement of ten per cent which are greater than the province by ten per cent, and reflect a five per cent improvement on the previous three-year average.

Maintenance Summer Projects Report

- K. Baluch, Managing Director of Facilities and Transportation, and Senior Team Advisor, provided an update to the Board on the facility projects completed over the summer including LED fixtures within school gymnasiums to improve lighting and energy efficiency.

Second Question Period:

- No questions

Meeting Dates

October 10, 2019	Trustee/ Superintendent School Visits – Edson Part 2
October 10, 2019	ASBOA Zone 2
October 11, 2019	Divisional PD
October 16-18, 2019	PSBA Fall Conference
October 19-22, 2019	Board Planning Seminar
October 25, 2019	Zone 2/3 Meeting
October 29, 2019	Policy Committee Meeting
October 30, 2019	Public Board Meeting
November 5, 2019	ATA Induction and Retirement Celebration
November 6-8, 2019	CASS Fall Conference
November 11, 2019	Remembrance Day
November 11-13, 2019	Fall Break
November 15, 2019	PSBC
November 17-19, 2019	ASBA Fall Conference

Topics for Future Agenda

Notice of Motion

- None

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Action Items

- None

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Adjournment

Trustee Fate moved for adjournment at 1155 hours.

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B. Rosadiuk 11/20/2019

Brenda Rosadiuk
Board Chair

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Sean Nicholson 10/30/2019

Sean Nicholson
Secretary Treasurer