



**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD RVS EDUCATION CENTRE
2651 CHINOOK WINDS DR. SW
AIRDRIE, ALBERTA**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2023

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Chair, Ward 6 Fiona Gilbert
Vice-chair, Ward 5 Judi Hunter
Ward 1 Shali Baziuk
Ward 2 Shelley Kinley
Ward 3 Fred Burley
Ward 3 Melyssa Bowen
Ward 4 Norma Lang
Ward 3 Todd Brand

TRUSTEES PRESENT VIRTUALLY:

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools Greg Luterbach
Associate Superintendent of Business and Operations Mike Guindon
Director of Communications Tara de Weerd

RECORDER:

Executive Assistant Jennie Thompson

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Fiona Gilbert called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

#1273-2023 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the October 19, 2023, Regular Board meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED

IN CAMERA

#1274-2023 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board of Trustees moves into an in-camera meeting at 9:32 a.m.

CARRIED

OUT OF IN CAMERA

#1275-2023 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SHELLEY KINLEY:

The Board of Trustees moves out of an in-camera meeting at 9:53 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 9:53 a.m.
Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Trustee Todd Brand read the RVS Land Acknowledgement Statement.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

#1276-2023 MOTION BY TRUSTEE NORMA LANG:

The Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the October 5, 2023, Regular Board meeting as circulated.

CARRIED

EXEMPLARY PRACTICE: GROSVENOR TEACHER FELLOWSHIP GALÁPAGOS EXPEDITION

Teacher: Jander Talen (Cochrane High School)

Project Description

Cochrane High School Teacher, Jander Talen developed ROAMS (Rivers, Oceans and Mountain School), a Grade 10 program at Cochrane High School where students spend an entire semester in a cohort that builds deep meaningful relationships with the land, other students and various subject materials. In this environmental and outdoor education, building a relationship with the land is key; otherwise, the learning that takes place will not have a lasting impact.

This year, Talen was selected to be a Grosvenor Teacher Fellow with the National Geographic Society and Lindblad Expeditions. During September, he participated in a 10-day expedition aboard a ship in the Galápagos Islands. By day two, he'd developed his own deep relationship with the islands. During this presentation, he will share about this meaningful experience and how he plans to mimic strategies used by naturalists and photographers to help RVS students fall in love with our local wild spaces.

DELEGATION

R. Sweet

The delegation shared their perspective on human sexuality education. The presentation was followed by clarifying questions from Trustees.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

NEW SCHOOL IN LANGDON AD HOC NAMING COMMITTEE

#1277-2023 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SHELLEY KINLEY:

The Board approves the proposed New School in Langdon Ad Hoc Naming Committee.

CARRIED

CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

Chair Gilbert and Superintendent Luterbach attended a provincial engagement session on October 12 hosted by Alberta School Boards Association. Minister Nicolaides spoke to the priorities included in his mandate letter and Ministry staff shared information on the areas of career education, capital planning, mental health, complex needs, Program Unit Funding, and curriculum. School boards also provided input and feedback on challenges and potential solutions in the areas of transportation and the funding formula. Thank you to ASBA for arranging this unprecedented provincial engagement and we look forward to continued collaboration with the Education Minister.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT FROM TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board acknowledged the Planning Committee Report as presented.

TRUSTEE REPORTS (submitted in writing)

Shelley Kinley, Ward Two Trustee:

Verbal Update: Thanked the Superintendent and staff who facilitated at the Langdon accommodation meeting on Tues Oct 17

- Oct 5 Attend Regular Board and Planning Meeting
- Oct 6 Attend Zone 5 ASBA Meeting – zoom
- Oct 10 Attend and present at Chestermere High School Parent Council Meeting
- Oct 16 Meet with MLA Chantelle de Jonge, Trustee Baziuk at CLC
- Oct 17 Attend School Councils Committee Meeting
- Oct 17 Attend and present at Langdon Consultation Meeting

Fred Burley, Ward Three Trustee:

Verbal Update: Shared an AE Bowers Positive Behaviour Intervention Strategy (PBIS) – “spotted” stickers, which are handed out to students when their good behaviour is spotted.

Todd Brand, Ward Three Trustee:

- Oct 5 Participated in Board Meeting & Planning Committee meeting
- Oct 5 Attended Northcott Prairie School Council meeting
- Oct 11 Attended GMHS School Council meeting

Norma Lang, Ward Four Trustee:

- Oct 5 Attended the Board Meeting and Board Planning Committee Meeting
- Oct 10 Attended the Kathryn School Council Meeting
- Oct 11 Attended the Coffee with the Mayor event in Crossfield
- Oct 11 Participated in the Crossfield and District Monthly Meeting
- Oct 11 Attended the DTOS School Council Meeting
- Oct 13 Attended the Airdrie and District Kiwanis Fundraiser with Airdrie Councillor Petrow and Crossfield Mayor Harris
- Oct 16 Met with local area MLA Nathan Cooper
- Oct 17 Attended the Board Councils Committee meeting
- Oct 17 Attended the BCS School Council Meeting
- Oct 18 Attended the Discovery Trails Council Meeting

Judi Hunter, Ward Five Trustee:

- Oct 5 Attended Board Meeting
- Oct 6 Attended ASBA Zone 5 meeting
- Oct 10 Attended Agenda planning meeting
Attended Elbow Valley School Council meeting
- Oct 11 Volunteered at Springbank Middle School
- Oct 17 Attended School Councils committee meeting
Attended Langdon Engagement meeting
- Oct 18 Volunteered at Springbank Middle School
- Oct 18 Attended Springbank High School council meeting
Attended Banded Peak School Council meeting

Fiona Gilbert, Ward Six Trustee:

- Oct 5 Chaired regular Board meeting
- Oct 5 Participated in Board Planning Committee meeting
- Oct 6 Attended ASBA Zone 5 monthly meeting
- Oct 10 Participated in Agenda Planning Committee meeting
- Oct 12 Participated in ASBA provincial engagement with Minister of Education
- Oct 17 Attended community consultation in Langdon
- Oct 18 Participated in Advocacy Committee meeting
- Oct 18 Attended Elizabeth Barrett School Council meeting

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fiona Gilbert adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 11:07 a.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer