



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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2025

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 3 Todd Brand
Ward 4 Norma Lang

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

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

RECORDER:

Executive Assistant Ashley Maroukian

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Fiona Gilbert called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

#1479-2025 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the January 23, 2025, Regular Board meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED

Trustee Fred Burley read the RVS Land Acknowledgement Statement.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

#1480-2025 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the January 9, 2025, Regular Board meeting as circulated.

CARRIED


Chair / Treasurer Initials

EXEMPLARY PRACTICE: MECHANICS TRAINING CENTRE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Teachers: Stephen Teasdale
Presenters: Hayley Smith, Tristan Ternowsky (alumni)

In the 1999/2000 school year, RVS launched the Mechanics Training Centre in partnership with Cam Clark Ford in Airdrie. This program gives high school students in the division the opportunity to work in a fully equipped shop while they explore both the theoretical and hands on aspects of the mechanics trade. This year, the Mechanics Training Centre celebrates its 25th anniversary.

During the presentation, staff discussed the history of the program, spotlighted its growth, drew connections to the Alberta Education curriculum and shared their plans for the future. Two former students shared the way the program has impacted their lives.

The Mechanics Training Centre is just one example of a program that helps equip students to graduate high school prepared to be successful for any path they choose, which is one of the outcomes of RVS' Education Plan.

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 10:40 a.m.
Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Director of Planning and Capital Projects Navi Sunkaranam joined the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

CHESTERMERE STUDENT ACCOMMODATION:

#1481-2025 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SHALI BAZIUK:

The Board adjust grade configurations and attendance areas effective the fall of 2025 as presented:

- East Lake School's English program expands from Kindergarten to Grade 6 to Kindergarten to Grade 9 beginning September 2025.
- The Christian and French Immersion programs for Kindergarten to Grade 6 will remain at East Lake School and the Christian and French Immersion programs for Grades 7 to 9 will continue to be offered at Chestermere Lake Middle School only.
- The communities of Chelsea, Dawson's Landing, Bridgeport commercial, Waterford, Waterford Estates, and Paradise Meadows are redesignated from attending East Lake School to Rainbow Creek Elementary School for Kindergarten to Grade 6. Students in these communities will attend Chestermere Lake Middle School for grades 7 to 9.
- The North Acreages area is redesignated from attending East Lake School to Prairie Waters Elementary School for Kindergarten to Grade 6. Students in these communities will attend Chestermere Lake Middle School for grades 7 to 9.
- The Clearwater Park community is designated to attend Rainbow Creek Elementary School for Kindergarten to Grade 6. Students in these communities will attend Chestermere Lake Middle School for grades 7 to 9.
- Bridgeport North is designated to attend Prairie Waters Elementary School for Kindergarten to Grade 6. Students in these communities will attend Chestermere Lake Middle School for grades 7 to 9.

CARRIED


Chair/Treasurer Initials

BALANCING AIRDRIE STUDENT SPACES ADJUSTMENT:

#1482-2025 MOTION BY TRUSTEE MELYSSA BOWEN:

The Board approves the following school designations for students in the English program residing in the Prairie Springs community starting September 2025: Kindergarten to Grade 9 at Windsong Heights School, Grades 10 to 12 at W. H. Croxford High School.

CARRIED

Director of Planning and Capital Projects Navi Sunkaranam left the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 12:25 p.m.

Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 12:57 p.m.

Associate Superintendent of Learning Lori Meyer joined the meeting at 12:57 p.m.

IMPROVING OUR STUDENT'S LEARNING – EDUCATION PLAN UPDATE:

The Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the Improving our Students' Learning - Division Education Plan Update.

Associate Superintendent of Learning Lori Meyer left the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

AD HOC ORIENTATION COMMITTEE:

#1483-2025 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SHELLEY KINLEY:

The Board of Trustees approves the proposed Terms of Reference for an Ad Hoc Trustee Orientation Committee as presented.

CARRIED

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO AD HOC

#1484-2025 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board of Trustees appoint Trustee's Burley, Kinley, and Hunter to the Ad Hoc Trustee Orientation Committee.

CARRIED

CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

On Jan. 16, 2025, the Board and RVATA Local 35, met for an evening of sharing, connecting and learning. Thank you to all who were able to attend and participate. The Board appreciates the opportunity to build shared understanding as we work together to achieve our mandate of student success and achievement.

On Jan. 22, 2025, the Board received a letter from Minister of Education in response to RVS' Support for Students advocacy letter sent in December. The letter reads in part:

Thank you for your recent correspondence and for sharing your thoughts about Alberta's education funding model. The funding model for Kindergarten to Grade 12 education is designed to enable all school authorities in Alberta to have adequate resources to deliver programs in an equitable manner. The perspectives shared provide valuable insights and help us better understand the practical implications of the funding framework. We are confident that if changes are needed, we can revise the funding model to ensure it enables school authorities to best serve our students, families, and stakeholders in an equitable fashion. We remain committed to working collaboratively with you and our other educational partners throughout this review process.


Chair/Treasurer Initials

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Board Committee reports.

TRUSTEE REPORTS (submitted in writing)

Shelley Kinley, Ward Two Trustee:

January 9 Attend Regular Board and Planning Meeting
January 10 Attend Zone 5 ASBA Meeting at Golden Hills School Division
January 10 Attend Policy Committee Meeting – Zoom
January 13 Attend Reciprocal Use of Facility Agreement Meeting – Zoom
January 13 Attend and present at Indus School Council Meeting
January 15 Attend and present at Langdon School Council Meeting
January 16 Attend Board Planning Committee Meeting
January 16 Attend ATA and Executive Dinner at the Education Centre
January 19 Attend and present at Langdon Community Collaborative Meeting
January 20 Attend and present at Sarah Thompson School Council Meeting

Todd Brand, Ward Three Trustee:

January 9 Participated in Board & Planning meetings
January 9 Attended A.E. Bowers School Council meeting
January 10 Attended GMHS Council meeting
January 10 Chaired Policy Committee meeting
January 20 Attended Windsong Heights School Council meeting

Norma Lang, Ward Four Trustee:

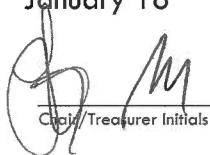
January 9 Attended the Board and Board Planning Committee meetings at the Ed Centre
January 9 Participated in a Crossfield Chamber member event hosted by Re/Max
January 13 Participated in an ASBA lunch and learn session focused on ASEBP
January 14 Attended the Kathryn School Council meeting
January 15-17 Participated with TEBA in central table mediation
January 16-17 Attended ASEBP Board of Directors meetings
January 21 Attended the BCS school council meeting

Judi Hunter, Ward Five Trustee:

January 23 Participated in Board Meeting
January 24 Meet with parent
January 27 Participated in Agenda Planning meeting
January 30 Participated in Expulsion hearings
February 3 Participated in Superintendent search committee
February 5 Participated in TPLF committee

Fiona Gilbert, Ward Six Trustee:

January 9 Chaired Regular Board meeting
January 9 Participated in Board Planning Committee
January 9 Attended Bow Valley High School Council
January 10 Attended Policy Committee meeting
January 13 Participated in Board Agenda Planning
January 13 Attended virtual ASBA Lunch and Learn session about ASEBP
January 15 Attended CCA Open House
January 15 Attended Elizabeth Barrett Council
January 16 Participated in Board Planning Committee


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January 16 Attended Board and RVATA35 meeting
January 21 Attended RancheView School Council

NOTICE OF MOTION

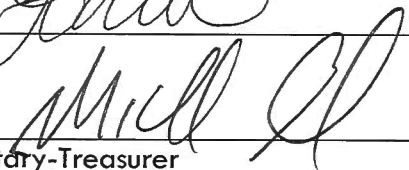
There was no notice of motion to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fiona Gilbert adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 1:58 p.m.



Chair



Secretary-Treasurer



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