

News from the Board: January 2021



MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

FEBRUARY 17, 2021

ALL MEETINGS HAVE MOVED TO VIRTUAL SETTINGS AT THIS TIME

A LIVESTREAM LINK CAN BE FOUND ON THE BOARD AGENDA PAGE

Mission:

Buffalo Trail Public Schools is committed to maximizing student learning, in a safe and caring environment, supported by a highly effective team.

Communication Strategy:

At the January meeting the Board passed the following motions;

- **To receive the Audit Committee meeting minutes and send out the communication plan for the 2019-2020 Audited Financial Statement**
- **To receive 602.2AP , 2nd Parcel Out Funds Disbursements for School Projects, as amended, for information**
- **To approve the request from EH Walter School for \$6000.00 cash in lieu funds to go toward the purchase of 20 new Chromebooks and a Chromebook cart**
- **To appoint Pam Peterson as the substitute returning officer for the 2021 school board election**

OTHER NEWS

- *The Board was pleased to host students from Irma, KHS and Marwayne schools for its Student Engagement session. This month the topic discussed was Personal Growth and Wellbeing. Students shared their thoughts on 1) How do staff build trust to ensure that they get to know you on a personal level where you are able to share your dreams and aspirations? 2) How are you supported in your school and classes to fulfil your dreams and aspirations? 3) How do you support others in fulfilling their dreams and aspirations as often meeting goals needs support?*
- *The Board would like to share an update from the federal funds received the following are the current COVID costs 2020-2021; 1) Staff Costs = \$336,381, 2) Cleaning Costs = \$188,864, 3) On-line Learning Costs = \$136,639 and 4) Chromebook Costs = \$79,245*
- *The Board Joint Transportation Agreement Committee had a very positive meeting with East Central Catholic Schools Representatives*

The Next School Board Election is Monday, October 18, 2021

Interested in becoming a school trustee?

The school board:

- * **Sets goals for the jurisdiction's chief executive officer—the Superintendent of Schools**
- * **Attends Board Meetings and various committee meetings**
- * **Communicates with the community on behalf of the jurisdiction**
- * **Lobbies all levels of government on behalf of education**
- * **Adopts an annual budget for the school system**
- * **Develops policies to guide the school jurisdiction toward divisional goals**