

News from the Board: September 2020



MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2020

**PSBAA VIRTUAL AGM
OCTOBER 15, 2020**

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 September meeting the Board passed these motions;

- ***To postpone the formal 2020-2021 BTPS Celebration Day until October 2021, send letters of acknowledgement to this years' award recipients, and that all staff receive the day off in recognition of the hard work and extra time associated with re-entry***
- ***To cancel support for the Honor Band international field trip originally planned for Easter Break 2021***
- ***To approve the Honor Band international trip to be rescheduled for Easter Break 2022 provided that the trip is not subject to a Government of Canada travel advisory***

OTHER NEWS

- *The Board met virtually with students from Vermilion Elementary, Mannville and Hughenden to hear their thoughts on how the re-entry back to school has been for them. Overall, the students, who represented many grades, were happy to see their friends and teachers and get back to learning. They were appreciative of all the safety measures in place for them.*
- *The Board also met via Zoom with the PSBAA President and Executive Director to have its annual update.*
- *Edgerton Public Schools is the recipient of a gift of funds from the estate of Scot Steele to be set up as a scholarship for its students.*
- *The Board heard that staffing levels across the division have also remained very similar to last year's staffing levels after students were sent home in the spring.*

The BTPS Re-Entry Plan is working, there was a lot of ground to cover but all staff are doing their part to ensure our precious cargo, our BTPS students, feel welcomed and safe!

The Board is very appreciative of all the work being done by staff in all of the schools!

