

News from the Board: September 2022



Communication Strategy:

At the September meeting the following motions were passed;

- ◆ **To approve several new Learning Strategies and Psychology related locally developed courses to be taught in BTPS schools.**
- ◆ **To approve support of the Celebration and Retirement Event.**

MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY
OCTOBER 18TH
STARTING AT
5:00PM**



Mission:

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

OTHER NEWS

- ◆ **The Board** held its annual Organizational Meeting on September 21, 2022 where new Trustee Arthur Block was sworn in and a new Chair and Vice Chair were elected. The results of the Organizational Meeting can be found [here](#).
- ◆ **The Board** is looking forward to welcoming the public back in person to its regular meetings that will now be held on the third Tuesday evening beginning at 5:00pm.
- ◆ **The Board** is invited to a regional meeting with Honourable Adrienne LaGrange, Minister of Education, on September 29th. Trustees Bensmiller, Cooper, Livingston and Jackson as well as Superintendent Holoien will attend to represent BTPS and bring forward several educational challenges that are of high priority for the Board.
- ◆ **Superintendent Holoien** updated the Board on the media releases sent out from the division and several new episodes of the BTPS Learning on the Trail Podcast. The most recent podcast episodes are; Gender Awareness, Learning About Writers and Learn About Artists of Symbolic Art. All the podcast episodes are found [here](#). All the new releases can be accessed [here](#). The Board was also pleased to hear that Natalie Heimdal, of Irma School, received the 2022 Martyn Godfrey Young Writers Award.
- ◆ **Deputy Superintendent Webb** provided a staffing report to the Board. She also provided an synopsis of the Outstanding Support Staff Award that is given annually to a support staff member to recognize their exceptional service to students, staff, parents and the school community. Trustee Cooper volunteered to be a part of the selection committee.

September 30th is 'National Day for Truth and Reconciliation'

On September 28th BTPS will hold its second annual Student Day to honour the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Students will be part of a virtual learning day with access to speakers, sessions, resources and workshops. There will be many opportunities for students to learn about residential schools, Indigenous peoples and how we are all a part of reconciliation.

