

News from the Board: May 2023



MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY
JUNE 20
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.

Communication Strategy:

At the April meeting the following motions were passed;

- ♦ To approve the 2023-2027 Education Plan to be submitted to Alberta Education.
- ♦ To approve the 2023-2024 budget to be submitted to Alberta Education.
- ♦ To support the recommendation for a 5% increase to all BTPS bus contractors effective the 2023-2024 school year.
- ♦ To approve the request from the Irma Daycare Board to install two modular classrooms on the Irma School Site. The location of the self-contained units will be determined once purchased.
- ♦ To appoint Peter Neale as the Secretary Treasurer for Buffalo Trail Public Schools.
- ♦ To regretfully accept the resignation of Superintendent Holoien.

OTHER NEWS

- ♦ **The Board** also accepted the new Joint Use and Planning Agreement (JUPA) with the Village of Amisk. Several of the trustees will be attending the upcoming PSBAA and ASBA Spring General Meetings in Calgary. This is an opportunity for additional professional development.
- ♦ **Superintendent Holoien** updated the Board on recent communications and celebrations from the division. There were eight media releases reported. All news releases are found on the BTPS website [here](#). The latest Learning of the Trail podcast was 'Learn about Autism & Entrepreneurship; featuring special guest Ling Huang. All the podcasts are found on the BTPS website [here](#). Letters have been sent out to parents and guardians with new curriculum implementation information. An information session will be held on the evening of May 24th. The Save the Date is [here](#).
- * The Superintendent provided the latest student achievements to the Board. Ella Morrison and Brienne Gourley from J.R. Robson were recognized for their academic achievements and Marwayne Jubilee School was on the top fundraiser 2022 list for the Terry Fox School Run. They raised \$5573.60.
- * The Superintendent highlighted the BTPS/Lakeland College partnership once again. Grade 10 students returned to Try-a-Trade 2024. There were 51 trades across seven industries being represented. The Board continues to support student transportation to this event for all grade 10's attending. Grade 9 students from across the division travelled to Lakeland College campus in Lloydminster on May 8th to tour the facility and see the many programs and trades that are available to choose from. Lakeland was a wonderful host for the student experience and also provided lunch.
- * In May the Board also heard from students representing Edgerton, WES and Mannville schools at its 'Student Engagement'. The topic this month was Supporting Students. Students were positive and a leadership theme stood out in their comments.



The Board of Trustees of Buffalo Trail Public Schools would like to recognize and congratulate all of our BTPS 2023 graduates and wish them the very best on their future endeavors.

