

News from the Board: August 2023



MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 20TH
STARTING AT
9:30 AM**



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 August meeting the following motions were passed;

- ◆ To engage with Central leadership in a fall engagement session to be held on September 26th
- ◆ To support Trustees Cooper, Ford and Spornitz for the Wainwright Elementary School Design Ad Hoc Committee.
- ◆ To rename board policy Section 9 from Alcohol, Tobacco, Inhalant and Cannabis to General and move BP401, Welcoming, Caring, Respectful and Safe Workplace & Learning Environments renumbered to BP901.
- ◆ To engage the consultant and continue with the final phase of the ward review.
- ◆ To direct administration to work with the Hardisty parent group and bus contractor to seek a solution for Irma student bussing similar to the past school year.
- ◆ To recognize Military Family Appreciation Day on the third Friday in September and request administration to communicate the Board's support.



OTHER NEWS

- ◆ **The Board welcomed new Superintendent Webb** to her first official board meeting, along with new Assistant Superintendent of HR, Camille Quinton and new Secretary Treasurer, Peter Neale.
- ◆ The Board also passed a motion to receive new administrative procedure 500.2AP, Volunteers for information. You can check the link [here](#). The Board also accepted the amendments to transportation administrative procedures that recognize the changes in bussing criteria from less than 2.4 km to now read **1.0 km for grades K to 6 or 2 km for grades 7 to 12**. Work on Board policies and administrative procedures is always ongoing.
- ◆ The Board held its Organizational meeting and Trustee Kara Jackson, once again accepted the position of Board Chair and Trustee Tanya Ford accepted the position of Board Vice Chair. Other updates from the Organizational Meeting can be found [here](#).
- * **Superintendent Webb** updated the Board on recent Leadership Team Highlights which included meetings with the central office team, attending the Transportation Contractors AGM, the upcoming new administrators orientation, new teachers orientation as well as the BTPS Learning Day. The Superintendent invited the Board to attend part of the learning day to hear the guest speaker.
- * The Superintendent also shared a 'Save the Date' with the Board for the upcoming BTPS Celebration and Retirement Event on October 25th.
- * The Superintendent's Public Speaking Competition is tentatively set for April 30th, 2024.

The Board of Trustees is happy to be welcoming students, teachers and families back to school on September 5th for the 2023-2024 school year.