

News from the Board: September 2023



MEETING DATES:

NEXT BOARD MEETING

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 18TH
STARTING AT
9:30 AM**

**PSBAA AGM
OCTOBER 18— 20**



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 following information is shared:

- ◆ The Board would like to recognize the work done by the Friends of WHS creating a legacy for the Wainwright schools and community on the Wainwright Community Recreation Track Project at WHS.
- ◆ The Board would like to recognize the work of the Innisfree School Financial Society for their great work on the All-Weather Surface Project and creating a legacy for the Innisfree Delnorte School and the Innisfree community.
- ◆ Wainwright Elementary Replacement School Design Phase Update—the first in-person meeting with Alberta Infrastructure has taken place. The next meetings will be held locally and representatives from the WES Staff, the Town of Wainwright and Rotary Club will be invited to attend.
- ◆ Trustee Ford will be the Board representative on the Outstanding Support Staff Award Committee and the deadline for nominations is the end of September.
- ◆ As part of its advocacy, the Board will invite the 3 local MLA's and Education Minister to meet and share BTPS celebrations and challenges.
- ◆ The Board heard from a delegation speaking to BTPS Administrative Procedure 302.11, Support for Student Organizations.

OTHER NEWS

- * Superintendent Webb shared information from the recent Leadership Team Highlights which included;
 - ⇒ Day 2 of the New Administrators Orientation meetings was well received.
 - ⇒ Continuation of school visits—all schools to be visited before Thanksgiving.
 - ⇒ Update that the recognition of the Military Family Appreciation Day was well received.
 - ⇒ The Learning Day for National Truth and Reconciliation in all BTPS schools is scheduled for Thursday September 28th.
 - ⇒ BTPS is now live on Facebook and Instagram to expand the division communications.
 - ⇒ The Division now has an online store on the website for anyone wanting to purchase BTPS apparel as well as other branded items.
- * Assistant Superintendent Trodden shared information with the Board on dual credit programming. BTPS students were very successful with the Lakeland College courses last year. This year the university courses have expanded to include both Psychology and Sociology. BTPS will continue to offer Automotive Technician and we have received funding to run the Welding course next semester.
- * Transportation Department will be investigating bus ride times and routes to look for efficiencies and possible solutions that can improve ride times for families on long routes.
- * The Financial Reporting Dashboard is up to date as of September 15th, 2023. The dashboard it a monthly review of the division's financial information and provides transparency to stakeholders.