

Board Meeting Highlights

May 29, 2024



BTPS EDUCATION PLAN

The Board of Trustees has engaged with parents, guardians, educators, students, and stakeholders over many months and was pleased to pass a motion this month to approve the 2023-2027 Education Plan, Year Two 2024-2025 Report. The plan was submitted to Alberta Education and is available on the BTPS website - [HERE](#).

BTPS 2024-2025 PROJECTED (spring) BUDGET

The Secretary Treasurer in conjunction with the Superintendent and Senior Leadership has worked collaboratively with school administration to prepare the budget report for the Board of Trustees. The budget was developed with all information on funding provided by Alberta Education. The Budget Report was approved and submitted to Alberta Education and is available on the BTPS website - [HERE](#).

Superintendent Highlights

The Superintendent shared many highlights with the Board. Meetings and programs are wrapping up for Leadership Academy, Administration Collaboration and Colony Leaders. Schools have participated in Superintendent's Public Speaking, Try-a-Trade, Lakeland College Walk-through, trips to Blue Quills and graduation ceremonies continue to celebrate student success. The Superintendent noted several celebrations in sports, the WHS Senior band won the Award of Excellence at the Festival of Bands in Red Deer and Another RCASB Flourishing Story highlighted 40 Years of the Kitscoty High School Band Program. The story is [HERE](#). In addition to the many highlights the Board passed a motion to support a Board-Leadership Workshop for the 2024-2025 school year. The Board is happy for the opportunity to engage with school leaders and continue to develop working relationships that support division goals.

Student Engagements

The Superintendent's Public Speaking Gold Medalist and Minister's Youth Council Representative, Keaton Xu joined the Board at its Committee of the Whole meeting to share his gold medal speech and information about being on the Minister's Youth Council.

At the board meeting the Board Vice Chair welcomed students from Mannville, Hughenden and Edgerton schools to the student engagement. This month the topic was 'Programming'. The students representing junior and senior high shared a variety of opinions, ideas, and information with the Board. The student engagements continue to inform the Board's work.

School Fees

The Board of Trustees approved the schedule of fees for the 2024-2025 school year and accepted the revised administrative procedure 201.5AP Fees for School and Transportation.

Transportation Update

The deadline of May 1st was met, and the Board had an extensive review of multiple transportation boundary exception/school of choice requests for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year.

The Board is cognizant of the economic pressures of operating buses and was pleased to approve a one-time 2.5% payment for its 2023-2024 school bus contractors and an annual increase for the 2024-2025 school year of an additional 2.5%. The Board is very appreciative of the service provided to BTPS students and families by its bus contractors and drivers.

Upcoming Dates

PSBAA SGM May 30 - June 1, 2024

ASBA SGM June 2-4, 2024

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday,
June 19, 2024 at 9:30am

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