

# **Board Meeting Highlights**

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

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#### **Board of Trustees**

Kim Pasula - Chair, Dorraine Lonsdale - Vice Chair, Anne Marie Watson, Cynthia Leyson, Sharla Heistad, Murray Hollman and Rob Maloughney (absent).

#### **Orange Shirt Day**

The First Nations, Métis and Inuit Support Team opened the Board Meeting by presenting to Trustees about the importance of recognizing Orange Shirt Day in our schools as a step towards reconciliation.

### **Division Accountability Report**

The Board of Trustees reviewed the division accountability report from <u>December 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020</u>.

### **Acting Superintendent Report Highlights**

## At-Home Learning Update

There are 950 students that have chosen at-home learning program for the first semester. We needed to look beyond our own staff and recruited some new hires to split some larger cohorts. Federal funds were used to support the staffing cost for this program.

# Mental Health and Identification of Learning Progression

Mental wellness along with identifying the progression of student learning and creation of supportive systems will be the main focus area for this school year.

#### St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School

Alberta Infrastructure has approved the use of the Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) in the building of St. Lorenzo Ruiz Middle School. IPD is a collaborative alliance of people, systems, business structures and practices into a process that harnesses the talents and insights of all participants to optimize project results, increase value to the owner, reduce waste, and maximize efficiency through all phases of design, fabrication, and construction.

#### **Board Chair Report Highlights**

- Meeting with the City of Red Deer
   The meeting with Red Deer City Council is a go and will be held in person on Tuesday,
   October 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Further information, including location, to be confirmed.
  - Superintendent Recruitment
    The Division is currently conducting recruitment for their new Superintendent of
    Schools. The Board of Trustees reported that it is an opportune time to reach out to key
    stakeholders to gather the thoughts and opinions regarding the new superintendent, as
    we transition into new leadership for our Division. The Board of Trustees sent out a survey
    on Tuesday, September 15 to staff, parents and guardians to get stakeholder feedback on
    which qualities they feel a Superintendent should possess. The results will be compiled
    into a confidential, non-attributable report for review only by the Board of Trustees.

The next board meeting is October 27, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Kim Pasula, Board Chair



