

WILD ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022

To improve the life chances of ALL students

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Wild Rose School Division was held in the boardroom of the Wild Rose School Division Office in Rocky Mountain House, Alberta, on Tuesday, February 15, 2022, commencing at 9:35 am.

Present:
Chair, Daryl Scott
Trustees, Mae Tryon, Penni Lougheed, Charlene Bearhead
Heidi Hetherington and Jackie Janes attended virtually
Superintendent, Brad Volkman
Deputy Superintendent, Greg Wedman
Associate Superintendent, Business and Finance, Ama Urbinsky
Recording Secretary, Dawn Beeman

ATA representative Mike Wheeler, and CAAMSE representative Deb Goddard joined the meeting virtually at 9:35 am.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

11/22 Moved by Penni Lougheed:
“that the February 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting agenda be adopted as amended:

7.1 (d) PSBAA
6.7 Live streaming
7.2 (b) Letter from Chinooks Edge
8.2 IUOE and CAAMSE Contract Talks
8.3 TEBA Contract Talks”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

12/22 Moved by Heidi Hetherington:
“that the following minutes be adopted as presented;

- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 18, 2022.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE 2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

13/22 Moved by Mae Tryon:
“That the Board of Trustees approve the 2022-2023 WRSD staff calendar as presented.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INFORMATION ITEMS

- Superintendent’s Report: Covid-19 Update, Rocky Mountain House Community Engagement, Wellness Update, Grade 1-3 Learning Disruption Grant, Curriculum, Professional Learning After School Sessions, January Provincial Exams, Joint Use Planning Agreements, Technology, Capital Project Update
- Family Wellness Worker Assistant (FWWA) Update
 - The Director of Wellness joined the meeting with two school

administrators to discuss the FWWA program and the wellness statistics in our division.

- Case loads in WRSD are very high, with very limited AHS support.
- Family Wellness Worker Assistants create a consistency within the school. Overall, this has been a hugely successful program and the schools are very appreciative of this additional support.
- The Director of Wellness is predicting that crisis response after the pandemic will be significantly higher. Covid is so divisive to families that many children have often been left in the middle without appropriate support.
- We need to continue to address the needs of our students and community as well as advocate for the required funding.
- The AIM for success program is directly responsible for the lower case loads in the north where the same support is not available in the south.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:55 pm

Meeting reconvened at 12:30 pm

INFORMATION ITEMS - CONTINUED

- Associate Superintendent, Business & Finance Report: Trustee Remuneration, Monthly Fiscal Report, Ward By-Laws
- 2021 - 2022 Board Retreat
 - Trustee Lougheed and Bearhead provided tentative dates and the board chose April 29-30, 2022 for their board retreat. A tentative agenda is currently being developed and locations and costs will be researched.
- PSBAA Nominations
- Town of Drayton Valley's Education Committee
 - This request might be best met by the high school Principals in Drayton Valley and Breton.
- Live Streaming
 - The board discussed whether to continue with live streaming and whether it is worth investing in the proper equipment. It was decided that this meeting will be the last one that we will live stream.

BOARD ITEMS

Trustee Reports

- Trustee Janes shared highlights from the school council meetings she attended.
- Trustee Scott attended a meeting with the minister and an Alberta School Council meeting.
- Trustee Bearhead attended PSBAA where she is now on the professional development committee. She did not attend any school council meetings this month.
- Trustee Lougheed shared highlights from the new build at Condor. She also attended the ASBA Zone 4 meeting as well as the Caroline school council and David Thompson school council where school sports were a huge concern.
- Trustee Hetherington attended school councils where there has been some concern about the Rocky Mountain House Community Engagement meeting.

Committee Reports

- PSBAA - Trustee Tryon shared the highlights from the last council meeting, including their strategies, operations and the annual report. Mental health and insurance are big concerns across the province.

Correspondence

- The board reviewed the letter from Chinook's Edge requesting that school boards be included in Bill 70.

CLOSED SESSION

- 14/22 Moved by Mae Tryon:
“that the Board of Trustees now (1:34 pm) meet in closed session to deal with the following items:
- HR Update
 - IUOE and CAAMSE Contracts
 - TEBA Contracts

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 15/22 Moved by Charlene Bearhead:
“that the Board of Trustees now (2:13 pm) meet in open session.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

- 16/22 Moved by Mae Tryon:
“that the Regular Board Meeting of February 15, 2022, be adjourned at (2:13 pm)”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Daryl Scott
Chair

Ama Urbinsky
Associate Superintendent, Business & Finance