

# Board Meeting Highlights

March 20, 2024



## ASBA Edwin Parr Nominee

The Alberta School Boards Associations' Edwin Parr Teacher Award recognizes excellent first-year teachers across the province. This year the Board is pleased to nominate Lauren Heck from Provost Public Schools as the nominee from BTPS for ASBA Zone 2/3. Congratulations Lauren!

## Capital Plan 2024

The Board has been reviewing school building information over the past few months and at its regular meeting passed a motion to approve the 2024 three-year Capital Plan with the priorities of: 1. Wainwright Elementary School, 2. Provost Public School 3. South West (Amisk; Hughenden) Value Scoping 4. Irma School 5. Central Vermilion Value Scoping or Modernization, North-East (Blackfoot; Dewberry; Kitscoty; Marwayne) Value Scoping, Central East (Edgerton; Chauvin) Value Scoping and North-West (Innisfree; Mannville) Value Scoping. The Wainwright Elementary School remains the top priority, although it has received design funding from the government and the Board is hopeful that this project will be green lighted soon, the project was not approved during this budget cycle.

## Superintendent Highlights

The Superintendent shared information with the Board regarding celebrations in sport; Marwayne Sr. Girls won silver at zones and competed at Provincials and EH Walter 1A Boys Basketball placed 4th at Provincials. Next year WHS will host 2A Girls Volleyball Provincials. The Board passed a motion to receive the Stakeholder Engagement "What We Heard" report. It is posted online [HERE](#). The Board also ratified the Memorandum of Agreement with the Alberta Teachers' Association.

## Student Engagement

The Board Chair welcomed students from Wainwright High, Delnorte (Innisfree) and Dr. Folkins (Chauvin) schools to the student engagement. This month the topic was 'Student Engagement'. The Trustees asked the students these questions; 1) What opportunities exist for students to be involved in your schools? 2) How could students be used to help build success in the school? Many positive examples of what students do and participate in at their schools were shared with the Board.

## Policy Updates

The Board of Trustees passed third and final readings for amendments to two policies. Policy 102BP, Board Committees was updated to make changes to its Audit Committee powers and terms of reference and 701BP, Student Transportation Services was updated to remove the reference to 15-passenger vans after an update to 701.4AP, Student Transportation for Curricular or Extracurricular Trips, that provides guidelines and requirements for operating a 12 or 15-passenger van.

## Ward Review

The Board is entering into the final phase of its ward review. Stakeholder consultation meetings have now been set for Vermilion (April 15th at JR Robson), Wainwright (April 16th at WHS) and online (April 18th). All meetings will start at 7:00PM. The ward review process is outlined in the Board Policy [104BP Establishment of Wards](#) and is only about electoral boundaries. The Board wants to be clear that this does not impact school boundaries. Where students go to school will not change as a result of any decisions regarding the ward structure. A ward review is focused on fair representation. More information about these meetings will be advertised and posted on the BTPS website closer to these dates.

## Upcoming Dates

*Next Board Meeting: Wednesday,  
April 17, 2024 at 9:30am*

*Public Ward Review Meetings:  
April 15, 2024 at JR Robson  
April 16, 2024 WHS  
April 18, 2024 Online*

For the Board's official meeting minutes, click [HERE](#).

For the full Board agenda and reports, click [HERE](#).

[www.BTPS.ca](http://www.BTPS.ca)

