

Board Highlights - March 15, 2016

Policy 20 Receives Board of Trustees Approval

At the March 15 Board Meeting, the WRSD Board of Trustees approved Policy 20: Welcoming, Caring, Respectful & Safe Learning Environments. Before granting approval, the Board reviewed the changes made to Policy 20 by the policy committee based on the feedback received from staff, students and community members. The Board discussed changes made to the initial draft of Policy 20 that ensured parental rights were protected, that the policy gave clear direction for its implementation and gave all students a safe learning environment. Alberta Education will now review this policy before it is officially implemented in WRSD.

2016-2017 School Year Calendar Approved

The 2016-2017 School Year Calendar was approved by the Board of Trustees. Click here to view the Parent Calendar and Staff Calendar.

Edwin Parr Selection

The Board of Trustees met with two potential first-year teachers to decide who would represent WRSD at the zone level. Brittany Cazes from Caroline School was nominated for her outstanding contributions in classroom planning, teamwork and dedication to teaching.

Becky Janishewski from Breton High School was nominated for her outstanding abilities, preparation, passion for teaching, and involvement in school activities.

After meeting with both Becky Janishewski and Brittany Cazes, the board was left with a very tough decision. In the end, Becky Janishewski was selected for the Zone 4 Edwin Parr Award. Click here for more information on her selection.

The Board would like to thank Brittany Cazes for attending the meeting and being a fantastic applicant.

Board Meeting Delegations

Physical Literacy - Lori Davis presented to the Board of Trustees on physical literacy
and the importance of working collaboratively together towards health and wellness. She
showed the clear link between teaching physical literacy to students and ensuring that
individuals remain physically active throughout their life. On May 6, Canadian Sports for
Life will be providing a 3 and a half hour session on Physical Literacy 101. This session



will be open to all WRSD staff and more information will soon be distributed to our schools.

Aboriginal Resource Centre (ARC) - ARC staff and students attended the meeting to
present on the history and future direction of the Aboriginal Resource Centre. They
spoke on the growth the ARC has seen, its impact it has had on students and the
success it has had in helping First Nation Students.

Out of Country Field Trips

The Board gave approval in principle to the following field trip:

 Out of Country Field Trip - Frank Maddock High School - China Field Trip over spring break of 2017

Locally Developed Course Approval

The Board approved the reauthorization of the following course:

• Film Appreciation 15-3, 25-3, 25-5 for September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2019

Superintendent's Report

The following items were discussed in the Superintendent's Report for more information click on the link above:

- David Thompson High School Modernization project meeting
- Evergreen Tragedy
- CASS Annual Learning Conference
- Evergreen School Modular Update