



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

June 22, 2022

Summer



COVID-19 MEASURES

Superintendent/CEO Romanchuk explained that the Government of Alberta (GoA) moved into Step 3 of lifting public health measures related to the COVID-19 pandemic on June 14, 2022. BGSD has and will continue to follow public health measures and, following the decision of the GoA, BGSD has rescinded the 2021-2022 Easing Restrictions: Moving from Pandemic to Endemic Plan posted online on February 28, 2022. Staff and students have been notified.

BOARD APPROVED TRAVEL



Associate Superintendent Dargis referenced Administrative Procedure 260 Appendix A – Student Excursions Approving Authorities and explained that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a moratorium on domestic and international student travel has been in place since June 2020. With pandemic restrictions associated with travel beginning to ease, the opportunities for schools to plan domestic and international student excursions are increasing. With the length of time required for submitting requests to travel outside of Alberta and Canada, a Board decision

to permit requests for domestic or international travel would need to occur immediately if excursions are to resume for the 2022-23 school year.

The Board approved the opportunity for schools to resume the planning of and application for Board approved domestic and international student travel.

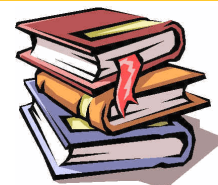
DIVISION OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE/PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT/FACILITIES & OPERATIONS STAFF

The Board directed Administration to provide a 1.25% salary increase to Division Office Administrative Staff, Professional Support Staff and Facilities & Operations Staff effective September 1, 2022.

NEW LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURSE

The Board approved the use of the following Locally Developed Course:

- **Foundations in Industry Workplace Safety 35-5**
 - ◆ Authorized from September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2025



FALL COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

Trustee Steed suggested that a Council of School Councils occur in the fall, where a representative from the Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) could host some workshops to help the new and returning School Council members increase capacity. Trustees supported looking into arranging a fall Council of School Councils.



HONOURING SPIRIT: INDIGENOUS STUDENT AWARD HONOURABLE MENTION

Tayvin Carter, a Grade 6 student at École Bellevue School, was presented with an Honouring Spirit Indigenous Student Award Honourable Mention certificate.

Chair Klaassen explained that the Honouring Spirit: Indigenous Student Awards, presented by the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA), are intended to recognize First Nations, Métis and Inuit students who model strength and commitment in the pursuit of their personal education paths and embrace their own gifts, strengths and potential while celebrating the ways of their people.

École Bellevue School Principal Jennifer El-Khatib provided some insights into the incredible enthusiasm Tayvin has for sharing his Cree culture with his school community and expressed how valuable his knowledge has been to the school.

The Trustees expressed how proud they are of Tayvin's work to share his culture with the students and staff at École Bellevue School.



POLICY DEVELOPMENT

The Board approved the updated version of [Board Policy 15 Appendix—School Reconfiguration](#).

The Board approved the updated version of [Board Policy 2—Role of the Board](#).

The Board approved [Board Policy 2 Appendix A—Board Annual Work Plan](#) as discussed.



CURRICULUM UPDATE

Curriculum Consultant Terri Reid provided an update on the new K-3 Math and English Language Arts and Literature and K-6 Physical Education and Wellness curriculum BGSD will be implementing in the fall.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

The [June 2022 School News](#) was presented recognizing our schools, students and staff from across the Division.



BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Trustee Eckert was declared as Chair of the Board of Trustees of Black Gold School Division for the 2022-2023 term. Trustee Eckert took the Oath of Office as Chair of the Board of Trustees.



The Board of Trustees unanimously endorsed Trustee Charpentier as Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees of Black Gold School Division for the 2022-2023 term. Trustee Charpentier took the Oath of Office as Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees.



The Board approved the committee structure and trustee representation for the 2022-2023 term. The Board approved the publication of the Board of Trustee Committee Membership List.

The Chair or Vice-Chair and the Superintendent or Associate Superintendent – Business & Finance will be the signing authority for Black Gold School Division for the 2022-2023 term.