



Aspen View PUBLIC SCHOOLS

“Aspen View Public Schools is committed to preparing our students to achieve success and reach their unique potential through the provision of meaningful learning opportunities.”

Board Highlights

from the regular meeting held Thursday, June 21, 2018
at Aspen View Public Schools Division Office



Welcoming, Caring, Respectful & Safe Environments

The Aspen View Public Schools Board of Trustees approved amended policies and administrative procedures that reflect recent changes to the *School Act*. Developed through comparisons with other school divisions and consultation with school administrators and the Council of Student Leaders, the new policies and procedures define Aspen View’s obligation to provide welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environments; and established codes of conduct that address bullying behavior. The new policies and procedures can be found on the Aspen View website [here](#).

System Priorities

The Board of Trustees of Aspen View Public Schools approved the 2018-19 System Priorities. Prepared annually, the System Priorities guide the work of the board, administration and schools over the course of the school year.

The 2018-19 System Priorities can be found on the Aspen View Public Schools website [here](#).

Literacy update

A report presented to the Board of Trustees outlined results from Aspen View’s ongoing literacy initiative.

As of June 2018, 75% of Grade 1-8 students are reading at or above grade level; a 4% improvement from June 2017. Within the cohort of students who were assessed when the literacy initiative began in 2015-16, the number of students reading at or above grade level has increased by 10%.

Among Grade 1-8 students who received Leveled Literacy Intervention in 2017-18, 81 per cent improved their reading level by 0.5-2.5 grade levels.

Transportation contracts

The Board of Trustees voted to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the safe, reliable and financially viable operation of 31 school bus routes currently operated by First Student Canada. Student transportation providers, including the incumbent, are invited to respond by July 11, 2018 to the RFP, which has been posted to the Alberta Purchasing Connection.

EPC sports fields

Clark Builders was the successful bidder for construction of sports fields at the new Edwin Parr Composite School. Costs are higher than anticipated due to drainage issues on the site; Aspen View will work with the contractor to explore cost-saving options.

Construction of a running track was excluded from the awarded contract; it will be offered to the school as a potential fundraising objective.

Grassland/Boyle high school pilot project

To address the diverse programming needs of its current high school students, the Board of Trustees approved a one-year pilot project to bus Grade 11 & 12 students from the Grassland School attendance area to Boyle School for the 2018-19 school year.

Other highlights

- The Board of Trustees approved a Master Services Agreement with Smoky Lake County, Lakeland Catholic School District and the Village of Waskatenau for the administration and supervision of the Family School Liaison Program within Smoky Lake County.
- The Board of Trustees approved in principle a junior high field trip from Edwin Parr Composite School to Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City in May 2019.

Next Board Meeting:

Thursday, August 23, 2018
10 a.m. - Division Office

Upcoming Events:

- June 13-28, 2018
Diploma Exams
- June 20-27, 2018
Grade 6&9 PAT Exams
- June 29, 2018
Last Day for All Staff
- August 22, 2018
School offices reopen
- August 29, 2018
First Day for Students

Trustees:

- Ward 1 (North West):
Nancy Sand
- Ward 2 (North Central):
Anne Karczmarczyk
Dennis MacNeil (Chair)
- Ward 3 (North East):
Candy Nikipelo (Vice Chair)
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