

# THE BRIEF

## BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

### ROCKY VIEW SCHOOLS

OCTOBER 28, 2021

#### **New Board of Trustees Sworn In**

- The new Rocky View Schools (RVS) Board of Trustees (Board) met in their first public meeting on Oct. 28, where trustees were sworn into their important role.
- Trustees were elected during the 2021 Municipal Elections on Oct. 18. RVS welcomes six returning trustees and two new trustees to govern the division for a four-year term until October 2025.

#### **Board Appoints Chair, Vice-Chair and Committee Members**

- During the Board's Organizational Meeting, trustees selected Fiona Gilbert as Board Chair and Norma Lang as Board Vice-Chair. They will serve in these roles for a one-year term until the Board's next Organizational Meeting in fall of 2022.
- Trustees were also appointed to a variety of committee roles.

#### **New Committees Established by the Board**

- The Board approved Terms of References for two new committees.
- The Indigenous Advisory Committee will guide and support RVS and the Board as the division works to further build an environment where all students and staff are knowledgeable, understanding and respectful of the diversity of Indigenous cultures while honouring Indigenous history, languages and perspectives. It will advise on how to support the success of Indigenous students, recommend strategies for reconciliation efforts and suggest professional development opportunities for RVS.
- The Student Transportation Committee has been revived to provide input on issues related to student transportation, with a focus on reviewing transportation fees, reviewing transportation policies and drafting mandates for school bus contractors.

#### **RVS Requests Modular Units for Airdrie, Cochrane Schools**

- The Board approved the submission of a request to Alberta Education for 18 modular units (also known as portables). If granted, those units will address capacity pressures at Mitford School and Fireside School in Cochrane and Northcott Prairie School and George McDougall High School in Airdrie.
- Based on this year's enrolment numbers and those projected for next year, RVS continues to experience areas of growth that modular classrooms can help address. While securing these modular units helps to alleviate space constraints in some schools, RVS continues to require new schools to be built in alignment with the needs of growing communities with increasing student populations.