



**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD RVS EDUCATION CENTRE
2651 CHINOOK WINDS DR. SW
AIRDRIE, ALBERTA**

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Chair, Ward 6	Fiona Gilbert
Vice-chair, Ward 5	Judi Hunter
Ward 1	Shali Baziuk
Ward 2	Shelley Kinley
Ward 3	Fred Burley
Ward 3	Melyssa Bowen
Ward 3	Todd Brand
Ward 4	Norma Lang

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools	Greg Luterbach
Associate Superintendent of Business and Operations	Mike Guindon
Director of Communications	Tara de Weerd
Communications Officer	Christina Waldner

RECORDER:

Executive Assistant Jennie Thompson

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Fiona Gilbert called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Trustee Shali Baziuk read the RVS Land Acknowledgement Statement.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

#1357-2024 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the May 9, 2024, Regular Board meeting agenda as presented.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

#1358-2024 MOTION BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT:

The Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the April 25, 2024, Regular Board meeting as circulated.

CARRIED


Chair/Treasurer Initials

EXEMPLARY PRACTICE: 100 PER CENT ACHIEVEMENT ON JANUARY 2024 PROVINCIAL DIPLOMA EXAMS

Project Description

Twice a year, the Board of Trustees recognizes outstanding student achievement in Rocky View Schools by acknowledging students who obtain a perfect mark of 100 per cent on a provincial diploma exam.

Congratulations to the following students for their accomplishments on the January 2024 exam sitting:

Marcella Charlton, Springbank Community High School

Biology 30

Besides taking detailed notes, studying and working on practice questions, Marcella says a "Rock the Diploma" prep course she completed was a key factor in achieving 100 per cent. Marcella will study molecular biology at the University of Alberta after graduating this year, and she hopes to become a geneticist.

Devin Corti, Springbank Community High School

Chemistry 30, Physics 30

Devin says it was important to have good study habits and rely on study groups when he had questions while preparing to ace not one but two diplomas. He says you also shouldn't overlook taking breaks and going for a walk before getting back to work. Devin plans to study mechatronic engineering at the University of Waterloo so that he can work with robotics.

Inga Dale, George McDougall High School

Math 30-1

Studying, staying on top of assignments and asking for help – these were Inga's ingredients to achieving a perfect diploma mark. After graduating this spring, Inga plans to attend the University of Alberta to earn a bachelor of science, majoring in neuroscience. She wants to be a doctor and possibly get into psychiatry.

Amanvir Dhaliwal, Chestermere High School

Math 30-1, Chemistry 30

Amanvir's strategy to achieve a perfect mark on both his Math 30-1 and Chemistry 30 diploma exams boiled down to one simple thing: studying. After he graduates from Chestermere High School later this year, Amanvir plans to attend the University of Calgary to study engineering.

Nicholas Edstrom, W.H. Croxford High School

Physics 30

Achieving 100 per cent on your diploma exam takes confidence, says Nicholas – you don't want to second guess yourself. Practicing, ample study time and taking your time are also keys to success. After graduation, Nicholas plans to study software engineering at the University of Alberta.



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Kooper Hornung, Springbank Community High School

Physics 30

Leading up to his Physics 30 exam, Kooper took advantage of resources like Quest A+ and the “Rock the Diploma” prep course. He made sure to get a good sleep and ate eggs for breakfast on exam day, then took his time to write the test and review his answers. Kooper will attend the University of Alberta to study mechanical engineering.

Asher Hunter, Springbank Community High School

Math 30-1

Asher credits his perfect mark to the detailed notes he took throughout his Math 30-1 course. He also worked in a study group with friends throughout the semester. Asher plans to study electrical engineering and is currently looking at a number of American universities. He would like to work in Silicon Valley eventually.

Gaurav Singh Jaswal, Bert Church High School

Chemistry 30, Math 30-1

To achieve 100 per cent on two diploma exams, Gaurav said guidance and support from his parents and teachers was crucial. It helped that his teachers were organized and communicated well. Gaurav plans to study biochemistry at the University of Calgary, with the goal of being a pharmacist in Airdrie.

Gobind Singh Jaswal, Bert Church High School

Chemistry 30, Math 30-1

Like his sibling, Gobind also says the support and guidance of his parents and teachers was critical to acing his two diplomas. He dedicated time to using practice diplomas to review before his exams. He will also attend the University of Calgary to study biochemistry so he can become a pharmacist in Airdrie.

Christian Labonte, George McDougall High School

Math 30-1

Christian made sure to keep up on his Math 30-1 assignments and ask for help when he needed it. He also invested plenty of time into studying. Currently in Grade 11, Christian has not decided which post-secondary institution he will attend in the future, but ultimately wants to work in finance – ideally as an investment banker on Wall Street.

Brady MacKenzie, Bert Church High School

Physics 30

Brady’s achievement is a testament to his excellent work ethic. He used several strategies in his quest for a perfect diploma, including studying with peer groups, reviewing notes and assignments, writing practice diplomas and asking questions of his teachers. Brady plans to study health and society at the University of Calgary to become a dermatologist.


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Reese Ochitwa, Bert Church High School
Chemistry 30

Reese studied using diploma resources including Quest A+ in order to get 100 per cent on her diploma exam. She hopes to one day study computer science at the University of Calgary. Eventually, she would like to attain a Ph. D but is not yet sure in what area; as a Grade 11 student, she has lots of time to make that decision.

Brigitte Simpson, Bert Church High School
Chemistry 30

Plenty of studying and a consistent effort in Chemistry 30 paid off for Brigitte, who finished the course with a perfect diploma score. After graduating this spring, Brigitte will attend the University of Calgary to study chemistry. She is still deciding on her future career goals.

Alyssa Tai, Springbank Community High School
Math 30-1, Physics 30

To ace her two diplomas, Alyssa spent time redoing problems she found particularly challenging from her textbooks and workbooks. This made the problems on the exam slightly easier. Alyssa plans to study mechanical engineering at either the University of Waterloo or the University of Toronto. She hopes to move to Ontario and work in the tech industry.

Taya Vlietstra, Bow Valley High School
Math 30-1

Taya says she worked diligently in class while studying outside of it, which helped her attain 100 per cent on her Math 30-1 diploma exam. After she graduates later this year, Taya plans to attend the University of Alberta, where she will study biological sciences on her way to becoming a radiation therapist.

Alice Zeng, Springbank Community High School
Math 30-1

Alice says her success comes from making sure she thoroughly understood the concepts throughout the course by answering practice questions, reviewing previous units and completing practice diplomas with written response questions. Currently in Grade 11, she has not made a decision on a post-secondary institution but is interested in studying something related to health science.

Chair Fiona Gilbert recessed the meeting at 10:27 a.m.
Chair Fiona Gilbert reconvened the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

EDUCATION PLAN YEAR 2

#1359-2024 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JUDI HUNTER:

The Board of Trustees approves RVS' 2023-2027 Division Education Plan, Year 2, as presented, directs the Superintendent to make any technical edits after the budget and IMR list


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is approved and directs the Superintendent to forward it to Alberta Education by May 31, 2024.

CARRIED

2024/25 BUDGET UPDATE

The Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the 2024/25 Budget Update as information.

TRANSPORTATION ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

The Board of Trustees acknowledge receipt of the Transportation Accountability Report as presented.

CHAIR REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

Graduation season in RVS kicks off on May 10 and continues through until June 27. The Board of Trustees extends congratulations and best wishes to the RVS Class of 2024! We know you are going to do great things and we wish you all continued success in the next steps of your journey, wherever they may lead.

May 6-12 is Teacher Appreciation Week. It is a time to specially recognize the tremendous work of teachers and acknowledge just how amazing they all are. Thank you to the incredible team of RVS teachers for your care, compassion, dedication, and commitment to your students, colleagues, and each other.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT FROM TRUSTEE TODD BRAND:

The Policy committee is bringing forward a motion for the Board's consideration.

#1360-2024 MOTION BY TRUSTEE TODD BRAND:

The Board approves the proposed Policy 8 Board Committees and Representatives as presented.

CARRIED

Tara de Weerd left the meeting at 11:56 a.m.
Tara de Weerd rejoined the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

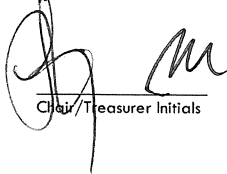
TRUSTEE REPORTS (submitted in writing)

Todd Brand, Ward Three Trustee:

April 25 Participated in Board Budget & Planning Committee meetings
May 2 Attended Northcott Prairie School Council meeting
May 4 Participated in the RVS booth at the Cochrane Trade Show

Norma Lang, Ward Four Trustee:

Apr 25 Attended Board and Board planning committee meetings
Apr 26 Chaired an expulsion hearing
Apr 27 Assisted the RVS Board of Trustees table set up at the Airdrie Home Show
Apr 29 Participated in a TEBA 61 meeting
Apr 29 Attended the WGM school council meeting


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May 1 Attended the CES school council meeting
 May 2 Participated in an RVS budget committee meeting
 May 5 Helped out at the RVS trustee table at the Cochrane Trade Fair
 May 7 Attended a meeting with new Town of Crossfield CAO to answer questions about the reciprocal use agreement
 May 8 Attended the Crossfield Chamber meeting
 May 8 Attended the DTOS school council meeting

Judi Hunter, Ward Five Trustee:

Verbal Update: Attended Elbow Valley's sold out 27th annual MusicFest at the Southern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium. A fabulous performance in which 500 students performed.

April 25 Participated in Board Meeting
 April 28 Participated in Airdrie home show
 April 29 Attended Agenda Planning Meeting
 May 1 Attended consultation discussion
 May 2 Participated in Board Planning Meeting
 May 3 Participated in ASBA Zone 5 meeting
 May 3 Participated in community activity
 May 7 Participated in ASBA committee meeting
 May 8 Participated in consultant meeting
 May 8 Attended Elbow Valley Concert

Fiona Gilbert, Ward Six Trustee:

Apr 25 Chaired public Board meeting
 Apr 25 Participated in Board Planning Committee meeting
 Apr 27 Participated in RVS booth Airdrie Home Show
 Apr 29 Participated in Agenda Planning Committee meeting
 Apr 30 Participated in Advocacy Committee meeting
 May 1 Attended Fireside School Showcase of Learning
 May 2 Chaired Board Budget Committee
 May 3 Attended ASBA Zone 5 monthly meeting
 May 4 & 5 Participated in RVS booth at Cochrane Trade Show
 May 6 Met with Board Chairs of Calgary Catholic and FrancoSud
 May 8 Met with consultant to plan annual Board evaluation
 May 8 Attended Glenbow School Council meeting

NEW BUSINESS


There was no new business to report.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fiona Gilbert adjourned the Regular Board Meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer


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