



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Sept 12, 2018 Board Meeting

Trustees: (back row) Connie Huelsman, Melissa Copley, Allan Tarnoczi, Superintendent Kurt Sacher, Gord Kerr, Joe-Anne Knispel-Metejka
(front row) Vice Chair Holly Bilton, Chair Colleen Butler, Second Vice Chair Sherry Cooper, Trudy James

Election of Board Chair:

As the first order of business at the Organization Committee Meeting, Trustees conducted the annual internal election for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. Trustees reconfirmed Colleen Butler to the role of Chair, Holly Bilton to the role of Vice Chair, and Sherry Cooper to the role of Second Vice Chair. Board Chair Colleen Butler thanked Trustees for their dedication to Chinook's Edge, and indicated the Board looks forward to continue making decisions based on our motto, *where students come first*.

Board Committees:

Trustees committed to the Board of Education's standing and ad hoc committees, as part of the Organization Committee Meeting. A full list will be available on the Board section of the division website.

Trustee Remuneration:

The Board acknowledged the ongoing financial challenges in the province and voted to maintain the current Trustee remuneration and benefits at current levels, with no increase.

Summer School Report:

Summer School programming was once again provided in three Chinook's Edge school communities in July, involving 50 students at Sylvan Lake Career High, 51 students at Innisfail Career High and 31 students at Olds Career High School.

Providing quality learning in rural communities:

Lissa Steele (Associate Superintendent of Learning Services) and Jason Drent (Division Principal) provided a recap of the National Congress on Rural Education they attended in Saskatoon last spring. Two items they incorporated this school year is a new online process for staff professional development, and a distributed learning opportunity for two high school level courses leveraging interactive online content. The initial course, Paleontology, is offered through Spruce View School and involves 18 students in three different Chinook's Edge schools. This learning opportunity for such a small group would not be feasible without the quality online delivery. A new 'Big History' course will be offered next September.

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Introduction of new Division Office staff:

Trustees greeted staff who are new to their roles of serving schools in Chinook's Edge:

Sandi Berg and Erin Machell (Learning Services Coordinators) Shelah Medak (Receptionist), Aaryn Manning (Staff Wellness Worker), Michelle Baragar (Learning Services Coordinator, Educational Technology), Nicole O'Geil (Division Psychologist), Tim Baragar (Division Psychologist).

Under the School Act, School Board responsibilities are to govern, advocate and promote. For more information please visit [About the Board](#).

The next meeting of the Board of Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, October 10, 2018.

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