



# Board Highlights

April 8, 2025

## **Trustees (left to right):**

***Vice Chair Melissa Copley, Linda Wagers,  
Vice Chair De Anne Hutchison, Sherry Cooper,  
Chair Holly Bilton, Terry Leslie, Jackie  
Swainson, Kathy Kemmere, Gord Kerr***

## **Chinook's Edge Board responds to increasing costs with increase in fees**

The Board has approved increases to school fees for families, due to increasing costs, as follows:

- \$50 increase per student, for students requiring transportation to school and who do not receive full provincial funding due to the distance from their home to school. The fee for partially funded students (1.0 km away from the school in K-6, and 2.0 km for 7-12) will be \$250. Students who don't qualify for provincial funding will pay a total fee of \$550. An early registration discount is available for partially funded students.
- The per credit fee for Career and Technology Studies classes will go up by \$1 per credit to \$12 per credit.
- The fee for construction, fabrication and mechanics, prorated for 5 credits, will increase by \$40 to a total fee of \$120.
- The fee for a 5 credit foods class will be \$80.

## **Board congratulates Edwin Parr nominee Clancy Pennock**

Trustees were delighted to congratulate Edwin Parr nominee Clancy Pennock, a teacher from Penhold Elementary School. Click [here](#) to read more about Pennock, and her nomination.

## **Board continues its advocacy with province asking for social and health supports**

Trustees voted to write a letter that will go to Alberta Children and Family Services Minister Searle Turton, asking for improved collaboration and information sharing with Family Resource Networks. The Board will be signatory on the Alberta Medical Association letter, from Pediatricians, requesting the reinstatement of full PUF (program unit funded) funding for pre-school aged children who need supports.

## **Trustees discuss ADHOC committees for the 2025-26 school year**

The Board voted to extend the health advocacy ADHOC committee that started this school year for another year. Also, the Board has extended the trustee onboarding ADHOC committee for another year. Additionally, the Board has renamed the Flourishing Stories & Innovation committee to the Innovation ADHOC committee, and approved its continuation for a year.

## **Board receives quarterly financial update**

The Board of Trustees received a quarterly financial update from Treasurer Nadeem Altaf. Trustees heard the division is on track with budgeted expenditures at this time in the school year.

## **Trustees hear technology update**

Associate Superintendent Jason Drent provided a technology update. The division is in the process of revitalizing its firewalls, formalizing its partnership with Canadian Rockies School Division, and finalizing the purchase of an Artificial Intelligence tool for teachers. It is exploring a digital newsletter format for schools.



**The next meeting of the Board of Chinook's Edge School Division is scheduled to take place on  
Tuesday, May 13, 2025**

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