

Trustee Report
February 12, 2018

- At the Board Retreat held on January 11 and 12 the Board reviewed Policy 1 Division Foundational Statements as a new Board. Amendments to Policy1 will be coming forward to the Boards March 16, 2018 Board meeting. The Board also reviewed the District Education Plan and decided to make no modifications to it. The priorities and goals will remain in place for the next 4 years. The Board also reviewed its advocacy plan and have made modification and had decided to strike a subcommittee of the Board to support the Board's advocacy efforts. The advocacy efforts will focus on the following:
 - Transportation Funding Formula and 2.4Km
 - Reserves – Build awareness of the need and use of reserves
 - Education Funding with a focus on sustainability, erosion of dollars and spending power over time with the outcome to maintain public support for education to remain a priority for the government
 - Collaborative approach to supporting student and family wellbeing.
 - Relevancy of locally elected school boards and school board autonomy
 - Alberta Education vision and direction
 - Infrastructure Process and Management
 - Future school planning
 - Opportunity and challenges of urban/rural schools
- At the January 25, 2018 Board meeting the Board approved the sponsorship of one school council member per school, to a maximum of 12 to attend the Alberta School Councils' Conference & AGM, April 20 - 22, 2018, and that the deadline for submission align with the ASCA conference registration timeframe.
- Invitations have recently gone out to future parents of Davidson Creek Elementary. The meeting will focus around establishing a society for the new school. The meeting is being held here in the Boardroom on Feb 21 at 6:30.
- Alberta Education Accountability Pillar questionnaire has been sent out to parents of grade 4, 7 and 10 students. We encourage parents to complete these surveys. The results provide both the school and EIPS important information that will be used to guide school improvement planning.
- Friendly reminder that pre enrolment and data verification is coming up. Parents will be asked to complete their student's enrolment for the 2018/19 and validate information March 1-15. The new pre enrolment process will eliminate the need to have a separate boundary exemption request process. The ability to choose a non-designated school is built into the pre enrolment process. If you are considering of registering your student at a non-designated school you must complete the pre enrolment within this 2 week period of time. No request after March 15 will be accommodated. Please set alarms so you don't miss your window of opportunity.
- The French Immersion Parent Survey still has not been finalized. Looking at March or early April.