



# The Board Bulletin

News from School District No. 74

## October 6, 2020

The Board of Education met in-person in the gymnasium at Desert Sands Community School in Ashcroft on October 6, 2020.



The Board appreciated meeting face to face and maintaining health and safety protocols. The Board confirmed the November 10th meeting would also be held at Desert Sands Community School.

### Financial Information

The Board approved the September 30, 2020 year-to-date financial reports.

### Federal and Provincial Safe Return to School Grants

The Provincial and Federal Governments have provided grants to assist Boards of Education in response to COVID-19.

Gold Trail received \$123,253 from the Provincial Safe Return to School Grant with specified amounts for expenses in the following areas: custodians, hand hygiene, cleaning supplies, face masks and shields and remote learning. As of September 29, 2020, \$49,179 has been expended, with the remainder of the grant to be spent by June 30, 2021.

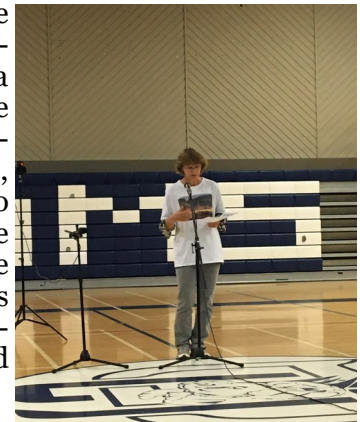
The district is also projected to receive a one-time grant of \$396,624 from the Federal Safe Return to Class Fund. These funds must be expended by June 30, 2021.

Consideration for the expenditure must be given to the needs of Indigenous students, needs of students with disabilities and diverse abilities,

and vulnerable students when funding allocations are made.

### Ashcroft Slough Society Presentation

Gloria Mertens of the Ashcroft Slough Society provided a presentation to the Board regarding regaining safe, legal, pedestrian access to the area known as the Ashcroft Slough. The Board will discuss this item at the November Open Board meeting.



### Policy

The Board adopted revisions to the following policies:

- Policy 2.30 *Budget and Capital Plan Development*
- Policy 7.30 *Emergency Response Planning*

Policies can be viewed on the district website.

[Policy Manual](#)

### Upcoming Board Meeting

November 10, 2020 @ Desert Sands Community School, time 2:00 pm

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