



# The Board Bulletin

News from School District No. 74

## November 10, 2020

The Board of Education met in-person in the gymnasium at Desert Sands Community School in Ashcroft on November 10, 2020.



### Board Elections

The Board of Education held elections for Chair and Vice Chair. Valerie Adrian was elected as Board Chair and Nancy Rempel was elected as the Vice Chair. The Gold Trail Board of Education operates within a Co-Chair model which provides the opportunity to create a two-person team to provide the leadership of the Board. Nancy Rempel was also elected as the representative to the BC Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) and Carmen Ranta was elected as the representative to the BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA).

### Action Plans for Learning

The Board approved the 2020/21 Action Plans for Learning. Each school creates a five-year plan to communicate their work towards school growth, learning and improvement for student success. The plan supports schools in taking an inquiry-oriented, evidence-based approach to teaching and learning.

### Joint First Nations Student Transportation Plans

The BC Tripartite Education Agreement (BCTEA) between Canada, the Province of British Columbia and the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) have established a First Nations Student Transportation Fund to address the transportation needs of First Nation students who live on-reserve and attend BC public schools. Together, local communities and the District co-developed joint transportation plans to ensure the access to safe and reliable transportation to and from schools.

### Policy

The Board adopted revisions to the following policies:

- Policy 2.120 *Investment*
- Policy 7.10 *Code of Conduct—General*
- Policy 7.20 *Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools*

Policies can be viewed on the district website.

[Policy Manual](#)

### District News

On October 14th, the Board of Education signed the first Local Education Agreement (LEA) with Boothroyd Indian Band. The LEA has a five year term and lists expectations and responsibilities for both parties. There are currently seven LEAs in place with First Nations communities.

Gold Trail has received a \$57,000 grant to support mental health and well-being promotion activities in the district. The district is engaged in discussions with local mental health providers to discuss options for the best utilization of these dollars.

The 2020/21 student enrolment of 1,042 FTE is a reduction of sixty (60) students or 5.5% from the projections in the spring of 2020. This results in a reduction in Enrolment based funding of \$453,600. The 2020/21 Funding Protection allocation will increase due to the reductions in enrolment.

### Upcoming Board Meeting

January 5, 2021 via Zoom Teleconference, time 2:00 p.m.

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