



BOARD HIGH LIGHTS

Board Highlights for the East Central Francophone Meeting March 31, 2022

Capital Plan 2023-2026

The Superintendent presented the Capital Plan that was prepared last year in a comprehensive analysis. The Trustees reviewed the priorities of the plan based on the current needs of our community. The plan developed last year included opening small community schools in various areas of our region. At this time, issues to consider include the projected population growth in Cold Lake. The Board thinks that the main priority must be to upgrade the Beausejour school and to review the priorities between Cold Lake and Lac La Biche. For Ste-Catherine, which is the 2nd priority, it is understood that the land for future construction must be secured and that a modernization must be done to the existing facility. The 3rd and final priority is to address a potential addition to Ecole Voyageur.

Locally Developed Course Danse 15

Trustees approved the use of Dance 15, a course developed locally by Edmonton Public Schools. The course will provide opportunities for students who wish to pursue dance beyond the Alberta Physical Education curriculum. Dance 15 is designed to provide students with knowledge of dance and the opportunity to develop physical, social and emotional skills, mastery of technique, appreciation of contemporary dance and history, and a positive self-concept.

School Councils

The Board recognizes the importance of meeting with the School Council Chairs on an annual basis in order to, among other things, provide input for the CSCE Education Plan. A meeting of School Council Chairs is scheduled to coincide with the next Board meeting on April 28. Time will be given to each school council to make a presentation.



School Calendars 2022-2023

The management team presented the school calendars for the 2022-2023 school year to the Board. The management team has done its best to align the start and end of the school year and vacations as closely as possible with neighboring boards, as requested by the elected officials. The management team is also proposing 5 days at the beginning of the school year for teacher orientation and welcoming, while considering the implementation of elements of the new curriculum. In the consultations conducted by the management team the general feeling is that the calendar is fairly well balanced, in terms of vacations, which is appreciated.

School Transportation

A presentation was made on Administrative Procedure 560 on school transportation. An explanation was also given to the Trustees on the process of cancelling school buses due to winter road conditions. Some complaints were heard by the Board regarding the reasoning behind the decisions made for school transportation.

The Trustees are open to having a discussion with the school communities but requested the management team to do a follow-up, especially at Ecole Voyageur with the school council. The procedure will be in a process of revision afterwards.

Board Meeting Schedule Update

Please note a change to the regular board meeting schedule. The May regular meeting will be held on May 19, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

Next Board Meeting

The next CSCE Board meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28, 2022. To attend online, visit the School Trustees page of our website. www.centrest.ca

If you wish to secure a spot on the Agenda, either as a delegation or to make your issues known, please do so in writing or by telephone to the superintendent, one week before the meeting's date. For more information, please contact the Central office at (780) 645-3888.