



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES KEY MESSAGES

Following are the Key Messages from the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020.

- 1) **Rock the Diploma / Enhanced Learning Model Presentation**– Chad Kuzyk, Associate Superintendent, Curriculum and Innovation along with Sean Loughheed from the Wolf Creek School Division presented an update on the Enhanced Learning Model. LRSD in partnership with the Wolf Creek School Division provide students, free of charge, the opportunity to attend Rock the Diploma. The results showed significant improvements in grade averages throughout the Grade 12 core courses between students who participated and those who did not. These sessions are a very valuable resource for our division.  
“These sessions have given me more confidence in my previous knowledge from taking the course at my school. I feel more prepared and not as stressed or pressured as I approach the diploma. Thank you for providing these sessions.” – Student quote.
- 2) **Education Minister’s Youth Council** – Nick Housenga, FP Walshe student and a member of the 2020/2021 Education Minister’s Youth Council presented to the Board of Trustees regarding the first council meeting that was held October 2 to 5, 2020. The Minister’s Youth Council consists of 41 junior and senior high students with diverse interests, identities, backgrounds and perspectives from all regions of Alberta. Students on the council provide their perspectives on a number of education topics. Students are important partners in our education system and our government believes student voice should play a role in shaping it. The Minister’s Youth Council gives students opportunities to share input and perspectives on provincial programs and initiatives.
- 3) **Transportation Presentation** – Phil McGale, Transportation Coordinator provided an update on the LRSD Transportation Department. This year’s start up presented many challenges for the transportation department and our drivers. We commend both for overcoming these challenges with adaptability and continuing dedication. The Division currently has 47 routes transporting 1600 students. COVID regulations have caused the need for more effective cleaning and safety protocols and has had an impact on driver retirements. Even with these extra challenges the transportation department, drivers and the transportation shop, have “stepped up” and allowed the Division to have transportation maintenance costs be financially solvent, something that the Division has not seen in a few years.
- 4) **Trustee PD Budget** – The Board of Trustees approved holding \$500 from each Trustee’s 2020-2021 PD funding for the purpose of providing an additional \$500 to next school year’s Trustee PD Budget.

**Every student, every day.**