

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING: MARCH 1, 2022



Satisfaction with Education in Alberta Surveys

Between February 25 and May 2022, Advanis Inc. has been contracted to conduct the annual satisfaction telephone/online surveys for the Ministry of Education to collect public and participant perceptions of Alberta's education system. The surveys gather responses from a random sample of parents, the general public, high school students, teachers, principals, school board trustees, and employers of recent high school graduates. There are several purposes of the surveys including determining satisfaction with the overall quality of the education system, the education system meeting the needs of students, schools providing a safe, caring and inclusive environment for students and preparation of students for lifelong learning, employment and active citizenship.

National Sport School Olympic Athletes

Student athlete Ale Loutitt, a grade 12 student at the National Sports School in Calgary, made Canada and the district proud with her Bronze medal performance in the Mixed Team Ski Jumping event at the the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics in February. As well, 22 former National Sport School students were also participants in these Winter Olympics.

Family School Liaison Counselling Program

In 2021, the Palliser School Division Family School Liaison Counselling Program team increased from nine to 18 members consisting of full-time and part-time counsellors, externally funded counsellors and practicum students. Increased support at each school has provided more consistent and meaningful mental health and wellness support to students and families including connections to community mental health/crisis resources and connections to the Making Connections Workers, providing a holistic approach to support. Moving forward, there will be continued emphasis on providing adequate staffing to meet the growing needs of staff and students along with continued emphasis on supporting Palliser Administration and educational staff to implement a trauma-informed approach in the classroom.

Human Resource Services Accountability Report

Human Resource Services completed approximately 6200 tasks from March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022 including coordinating the allocation of approximately 554 FTE teachers, 465 FTE non-certified staff and allocation of support staff hours to schools for the 2021-22 school year. Human Resource Services plays a key role in bargaining with the Alberta Teachers' Association and CUPE Local 290. Human Resource Services will be losing two key team members at the conclusion of the 2021-2022 school year due to retirement. The team is dedicated to ensuring The Palliser School Division is able to provide an exceptional learning experience for all students, by making certain we have outstanding staff throughout the division and supporting them so they can serve our students.

The next meeting of the Palliser Board of Trustees is Tuesday, April 12, 2022.

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