



Peace Wapiti Public School Division

Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2025 - Parent Information Session - 06:00 PM

Central Office In-Person:

Lori Grant, Bob Stewart, Penny Rose, Dana McIntosh, Kayla Klava, Rowena Stewart, Robin Bailey, and Keli Houle

1. Meeting Logistics

Parent Information Night

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/for-yqkb-hbe>

2. Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Board Chair Grant

3. Land Acknowledgement (Tr. Grant)

We acknowledge the traditional homelands of this area's diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis people. Our name, Peace Wapiti, pays tribute to the many rivers within our boundaries and exists within Treaty 8 territory. We are committed to working together to ensure these lands and its people are cared for and respected as long as the sun shines, grass grows and rivers flow.

4. Welcome and Introductions (Tr. Grant)

Members of the PWPSD Board of Trustees and Executive were introduced.

5. Division Update (Tr. Grant)

Trustee Grant shared highlights from the PWPSD Division Update (attached) with attendees.

6. Agenda Items

6.1 Student Cell Phone Use in Schools (Tr. McIntosh)

Trustee McIntosh reviewed information regarding Ministerial Order No. 2024-014, as well as changes made to the Board's Policy IFCL - Use of Cell Phones and Digital Devices. Each site reviewed the following facilitated questions:

1. Has your school implemented additional measures beyond the Board's policy? (simple yes or no – facilitator records show of hands)
2. Should the Board's policy include more restrictive measures for all schools?
3. How is it working for each of your schools?

- Is it making a difference and how do you know?
- Is there evidence of real change?

4. Are there any 'best practices' that you would like to share with others?

6.2 How Can I Help My Child Succeed? (Literacy Coordinators)

Literacy Coordinators Rowena Stewart and Robin Bailey presented information regarding how parents can help their child succeed in school.

6.3 2025 ASCA Spring Symposium - April 26, 2025 (Tr. Grant)

Trustee Grant noted that the 2025 ASCA Spring Symposium and AGM are being held on April 26 and 27, 2025. It was noted that school councils can attend at Central Office, where lunch will be offered. Those interested in attending can email stefanieclarke@pwpsd.ca to RSVP.

6.4 2025 Board of Trustees Election (Tr. McIntosh)

Trustee McIntosh reviewed information regarding the upcoming Board of Trustees election, being held on October 20, 2025. A variety of resources is available for candidates at www.pwpsd.ca. Those interested in running may contact JoAnn Vanstone, Returning Officer, or Keli Houle, Corporate Secretary if they would like additional information.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.