

# Board Highlights

## Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools

### Board Meeting Highlights

October 22, 2019



#### Board Members

Lynn Ware, Chair

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### Strategic Plan 2019-2021

The Board has adopted a new Strategic Plan for 2019-2021. This plan outlines strategic priorities, purposes, goals and objectives.

View the entire Plan here: <https://www.wrps11.ca/download/211036>

### School Year Calendars 2020-2021 and 2021-2022

The 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school year draft calendars were developed and the Board initiated the calendar consultation, which includes circulation and stakeholder feedback in accordance with Administrative Procedure 130 - School Year. The draft calendars were approved for circulation for feedback.

### Public School Board Association Memorandum of Understanding SOGI123

The Public School Board Association of Alberta (PSBAA) is requesting that Board decide if it supports the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between PSBAA and SOGI123. The Board was presented with an overview of the findings on SOGI123 and identified the ideologies within as problematic. It was also indicated that portions of the Education Act would not support the adoption of SOGI123.

The Board determined that Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools does not support a memorandum of understanding between the Public School Boards Association of Alberta and SOGI 123, nor will Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools use SOGI 123 resources and / or SOGI 123 suggested resources in the Division.

### September 30, 2019 Enrollment

The Board was presented with the enrollment summary indicating a total of 3,897 students or 3,747.50 FTE students are enrolled as of September 30, 2019.

The September 30, 2019 enrollment is 83.5 FTE lower than the enrollment used to generate the 2019-20 Approved budget and 50.50 FTE lower compared to the enrollment count on September 30, 2018.

### 2019-2020 Estimated Insurance Premiums

Alberta School Boards Insurance Exchange (ASBIE) held a teleconference to announce that insurance premiums for the 2019-2020 school year are anticipated to significantly increase. Specifically, they announced that property insurance premiums are anticipated to increase by 217% and liability insurance premiums are anticipated to increase by 20%. They explained that insurance underwriters are starting to back away from Alberta, as more than 50% of Canada's largest catastrophic losses have occurred in this province, and these increases are necessary in order to encourage insurance underwriters to support the ASBIE insurance program.

Property insurance deductibles will increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 per occurrence and equipment insurance deductibles will increase from \$5,000 to \$25,000 per occurrence.

Insurance premiums paid by the Board in 2018-2019 totaled \$274,387. The insurance premiums anticipated to be paid by the Board in 2019-2020 total \$474,605; an increase of \$200,218.

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