



Rocky Mountain School District BOARD OF EDUCATION Highlights from the October 2025 Meeting

PRESENTATIONS

Policies or District Practice for Review • Aaron Callaghan, Superintendent

Bylaw 1 Part 2 Regular Meetings: Mr. Callaghan stated this is a housekeeping change to officially adjust the Regular Board Meeting start time to 18:00 hours from 19:00 hours. The updated Bylaw can be viewed here.

10700 District Practice Automated External Defibrillators: Mr. Callaghan stated that the proposed updates to current practice are in response to Ministry's requirements for AEDs in all schools K-12. Current practice revised to meet these conditions. The updated Practice can be viewed here.

10950 District Practice Naloxone Overdose Response: Mr. Callaghan stated that the proposed updates to current practice would be to align with scope of provincial expectations of naloxone being available in all K-12 schools. The updated Practice can be viewed here.

Third Reading - NIL

Second Reading - NIL

First Reading • Aaron Callaghan, Superintendent

8560 Policy: Indigenous Spirituality: Mr. Callaghan introduced a new policy to the board which aligns with the board's work to create inclusive learning spaces, as well as priority to engage in meaningful acts of reconciliation. Ms. Jenny Reid, District Principal for Indigenous Learning & Equity, provided background on policy creation and stated that that few other policies like this exist in the province. Policy would provide direction to schools pertaining to Indigenous spiritual and cultural practices. The policy and feedback form can be found on the Policies Under Review section of our website.

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION

No update this month.



OPERATIONAL ISSUES

2025-2026 Minor Capital Amendment Approval • Alan Rice, Secretary Treasurer

Mr. Rice presented the updated Minor Capital plan as funding was approved for the replacement of two PA systems in district schools. The Board approved.

REPORTS

Superintendent's Monthly Update • Aaron Callaghan, Superintendent

Mr. Callaghan reviewed Superintendent's Monthly Update as prepared and highlighted the stories of the month, including recognition of two school-based Indigenous Education Support Workers. Read the report here.

Enrollment Report • Trent Dolgopol, Director of Instruction

Mr. Dolgopol presented the annual Enrollment Report (1701 Report) as of October 1st and highlighted key findings.

Inclusive Education Update • Sharon Collin, Director of Instruction

Ms. Collin presented the Inclusive Education update which included a summary of students with designations and a review of key district supports.

Budget Utilization Report • Alan Rice, Secretary Treasurer

Mr. Rice provided the budget utilization following the first month of school operations. Budget meetings with schools for amended numbers happening and updated numbers to be provided next month.

Field Trip Report June 2025 • Steve Wyer, Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Wyer reviewed the Field Trip Report for September 2025.

BC School Trustees Association • Scott King, Trustee

Trustee King provided an update to the Board including key dates coming up.

BC School Trustees Association, Kootenay Boundary Branch • Rhonda Smith, Trustee

Trustee Smith recapped the BCSTA KBB AGM held in Invermere at the end of September.

The Board re-elected Trustee Smith to represent Rocky Mountain School District with the BCTSA KBB.

BC Public Schools Employers Association • Jane Thurgood Sagal, Trustee

Trustee Thurgood Sagal provided an update to the Board.

UPCOMING DATES

2025.10.24	Professional Development Day (no classes for students)
2025.10.27	Rocky Mountain Childcare Open House, Invermere, 4-6pm
2025.11.11	Remembrance Day (schools closed)
2025.11.12	Board of Education Meeting, Edgewater Elementary School
2025.11.27-29	BCSTA Trustee Academy, Vancouver