



**PEACE WAPITI PUBLIC
SCHOOL DIVISION**
EDUCATING TODAY FOR SUCCESS TOMORROW

AGENDA

TYPE: General School Councils Meeting

DATE: 4/2/2019

TIME: 6:00 PM

INFO: Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Supper at 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Sexsmith Secondary School Cafeteria

1.0 Call to Order

2.0 Welcome and Introductions

3.0 Division Update

4.0 Together for Students Presentation

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5.0 ASCA Conference and AGM

5.1 Alberta School Council's Association Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting

6.0 Adjournment

Mission Statement: Educating Today for Success Tomorrow




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Enclosure:

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Executive Summary: As we look to the future—to our future—it is time to evaluate where we want to go and how we want to get there. While we revolutionize our economy, communities, and health care, it is time to innovate another crucially important sector.

The education we provide today is the groundwork that makes everything in our future possible. It is the basis for every child's success, and the platform for us to make Alberta a stronger, more vibrant place to live and work in.

As our education system exists today, we are faced with a fractured approach: funding is divided amongst multiple systems working in different directions, and each constrains the ability of the next to succeed. Services are duplicated, inefficiencies are entrenched, and our already-limited resources are further removed from their intended goal of creating the greatest positive impact on our children.

It is time to modernize, to wipe the slate clean, and put students at the centre of the solution.

We must come together to create a system that works for everyone. A system where dollars are put to their best use, where families are able to choose what education is right for their kids—regardless of where they live, and where the opportunity for diverse programming is accessible to every student who wants it.

Let's open the lines of communication, overcome these challenges together, and create a system that works for Albertans.

It is time to come together for our future. It is time to come together for students.

Presenter: Campaign Chair Pat Cochrane
 PSBAA First Vice President Gerry Steiner

together for students

We need one inclusive education system.

Tomorrow's Alberta depends on how we educate our children today.

Our province funds more educational systems and boards than any other province in Canada. These choices are now coming at an increasing cost to all of us. Services are duplicated and inefficient. Communities are becoming fragmented. Funds are diverted, meaning students end up with fewer learning opportunities instead of more.



It's about choice

We thought having multiple school systems would provide more choice for Alberta's students, but it hasn't.

Some learning and extracurricular programs aren't viable when students are dispersed among school systems within a community. Our limited resources pay for duplicate services and redirect funds to competing for students instead of enhancing their education.

Let's combine our resources to offer the greatest choice for students.

It's about community

Competing systems lead communities to become divided by culture, faith, language, and other interests, instead of capitalizing on those differences to build stronger communities.

Schools may miss out on programming opportunities because they don't have enough students. Some families have no choice but to take their children to school outside their community, limiting the ability of neighbours to connect with each other through day-to-day experiences.

Let's work together to foster connections and diversity.

It's about change

Alberta has changed. We're not the same province we were a century ago, but we've always been an innovative, pioneering province.

As rural communities decline, and urban communities grow and emerge, our education system needs better ways to respond to increasingly diverse community needs.

Let's create a system that reflects today's Alberta.

It's about children and youth

The more than 700,000 students in Alberta should be the focus of our conversations.

Parents, teachers, community organizations, government, and all committed Albertans need to come together to give them access to optimal learning. All Albertans benefit from a strong education system, now and in the future.

Let's offer students the best educational experience possible.

We need to start a public dialogue about the escalating costs—financial, social, and educational—resulting from our multiple education systems.

Join the conversation.

Come together for students.

- 1 Visit our website and follow us on social media
- 2 Talk to your neighbours, friends, family, and MLAs
- 3 Attend community consultation events as they arise:

**PWPSD General School
Councils Meeting
April 2, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.
Sexsmith Secondary School**

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Presenter:

School Council Chairs,

Registration for the Alberta School Councils' Association Annual Conference and General Meeting 2019 is now open. As you are aware, our Board is very supportive of this organization and has agreed to support the attendance of two members from each PWPSD School Council. Support includes registration fees, hotel accommodations, transportation and meals. Attendees can pay for the registration and accommodations and submit a claim for reimbursement or they can have the school pay for registration and accommodation using their Purchase Card.

The ASCA Conference and Annual General Meeting 2019 will be held from April 26-28, 2019 at the Delta Edmonton South. Full details are available here:

<https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/annual-conference> . Registration deadline is **Monday, April 22, 2019.**

Hotel information is available here: <https://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/about/annual-conference/hotel> - Deadline for guaranteed conference rate is **March 28, 2019**

- **Registration-** PWPSD will cover the cost of the registration (including pre-conference if desired) of two members from each School Council. Your school can register you using a purchase card or you may wish to use your credit card. If you do use your credit card, please submit the claim on an expense form that is available at your school. All PWPSD School Councils are members of ASCA, so please use the ASCA Member rate when registering. [Online registration Link](#)
- **Transportation:** PWPSD provides a white bus from Grande Prairie to Edmonton and back. The bus ride is a great opportunity to network with other PWPSD school council members. Please contact Terry Tofer, Receptionist at PWPSD by **Friday, April 12, 2019** to reserve your seat on the bus. (Email: terrytofer@pwsd76.ab.ca or phone 780-532-8133.) If there are insufficient numbers for a bus, PWPSD will contact registrants to ask them to carpool. The driver may submit gas receipts directly for reimbursement.
- **Accommodations:** PWPSD will cover the cost of a room per person. If you do use your credit card, please keep your receipts and submit to the school as an expense claim. The school will forward the claim to Central Office. If you do not have a credit card, the school can use a purchase card but requests that no personal charges are made to the room. (Hotel costs should not exceed the Conference Hotel Rate.)
- **Meals:** While meals are generally provided at the conference, in the event one is not, PWPSD will cover up to two meals with receipts. Please keep your receipts and submit

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