



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Nov. 14, 2018 Board Meeting

Trustees: (back row) Connie Huelsman, Melissa Copley, Allan Tarnoczi, Superintendent Kurt Sacher, Gord Kerr, Joe-Anne Knispel-Metejka (front row) Vice Chair Holly Bilton, Chair Colleen Butler, Second Vice Chair Sherry Cooper, Trudy James

Dual Credit programming:

Jackie Taylor (Community Learning Campus Director), Debbie Thompson (Olds College Vice President Academic and Student Experience), Jay Steeves (Principal Spruce View School) and Dr. Lissa Steele (Associate Superintendent of Learning Services) presented an in depth report on the impact that dual credit programming is having on high school students throughout Chinook's Edge. The CLC works closely with government and industry to continually expand opportunities for students. Director Jackie Taylor is heavily involved in career connections teams at high schools, and schools are reporting increasing student transition rates to the post-secondary level. "Our relationship with Olds



College has evolved and is now impacting our entire school division," said Superintendent Kurt Sacher. "There will be about 120 students involved in dual credit programs this year, and we are so proud of the leading role being taken in Chinook's Edge."

National Communications Award:

The Board congratulated Sandy Bexon (Communications Officer), Mandy Nelson (Administrative Assistant) and Karyn Barber (Associate Superintendent of System Services) for receiving an Award of Excellence from the Canadian Association of Communicators in Education. The award was presented for the School Websites Redesign project, which required intensive involvement and hard work from schools to update and redesign 40 school websites in a three-month period. A score of 90 percent or higher (judges are professional communicators from outside the organization) is required for the top-tier Awards of Excellence and only seven were presented across the country.

Music Festival:

The Board approved support of \$700 towards the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival Society.

Under the School Act, School Board responsibilities are to govern, advocate and promote. For more information please visit <u>About the Board</u>. The next meeting of the Board of Chinook's Edge School Division No. 73 is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, November 28, 2018.

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