

COMMITTEE OF SCHOOL COUNCILS

Background:

The Committee of School Councils (COSC) will enhance communication among the school councils (SC), Division, Superintendent and community.

Procedures:

1. The Division recognizes the value of the COSC and encourages each SC to select one of its officers as its representative at the COSC.
2. The role of the COSC is to:
 - 1.1. Provide opportunities for SCs to share matters of philosophy, policies and procedures relative to the education system.
 - 1.2. Enhance communication among the Board, SCs, senior administration, community and Government of Alberta regarding education matters.
3. Each SC representative shall be a voting member of the COSC.
4. An annual organizational meeting of the COSC shall be held in early October of each year.
5. At the annual organizational meeting, the membership of the COSC shall choose a Chair and other required officers from among the voting members.
6. The SCs and the Superintendent may forward items to the COSC Chair to include in meeting agendas. The Chair, in co-operation with the Director of Communication Services or designate, shall establish meeting agendas.
7. The administrative contact for the COSC shall be the Superintendent.
8. The Director of Communication Services or designate will facilitate COSC meeting logistics and prepare agendas for distribution.
9. At least one of the COSC meeting agendas shall include a presentation of budget information for the Division. To provide SCs with the opportunity for input, this meeting will be scheduled before budget approval by the Board.
10. As per [Board Policy 2: Role of the Board](#), discussions regarding school personnel or individual student concerns shall not occur at the COSC meetings.

Reference:

Section 55, 52, 53, 222, 252 *Education Act*
Personal Information Protection Act