



BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELK ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REGULAR
SESSION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

Boardroom
Central Services Office

AGENDA

Mission: To provide high-quality, student-centred education

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| 9 a.m. | 1. CALL TO ORDER | C. Allen |
| | 2. IN-CAMERA SESSION | |
| 10 a.m. | 3. LAND AND PEOPLE ACKNOWLEDGMENT | |
| | 4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA / ADOPTION OF AGENDA | |
| | 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES | |
| | 5.1 Board Meeting – Aug. 21, 2025 | (encl.) |
| | 6. BOARD REPORT | C. Allen
(verbal) |
| | 6.1 Alberta Education Engagement on Junior High Curriculum – Aug. 28, 2025 | |
| | 6.2 Information Session with Minister Nicolaides on Selection and Availability of School Literary Materials revised Ministerial Order – Sept. 8, 2025 | |
| | 6.3 Francophone School Opening – Sept. 18, 2025 | |
| | 6.3 School council meetings | |
| | 7. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT | S. Stoddard
(verbal) |
| | 7.1 Alberta Education Engagement on Junior High Curriculum – Aug. 28, 2025 | |
| | 7.2 Information Session with Minister Nicolaides on Selection and Availability of School Literary Materials revised Ministerial Order – Sept. 8, 2025 | |
| | 7.3 School opening | |
| | 7.4 Lamont Rural Health Committee Meeting – Sept. 9, 2025 | |
| | 7.5 ATA Press Conference – Sept. 10, 2025 | |
| | 7.6 Superintendent Information Session – Sept. 11, 2025 | |
| | 7.7 Leadership meeting – Sept. 16, 2025 | |
| | 8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF GROUP REPRESENTATIVES | |

ASSOCIATION/EMPLOYEE GROUPS

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| 9. ATA LOCAL REPORT | M. Holm
(verbal) |
| 10. EMPLOYEE RELATIONS GROUP (ERG) REPORT | M. Miller
(verbal) |

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

NEW BUSINESS

- 11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA**

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

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| 12. ANNUAL TRUSTEE COMPENSATION 2025-26 | S. Stoddard/L. Lewis
(encl.) |
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COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| 13. TRUSTEE NOTICES OF MOTIONS/REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION | (verbal) |
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ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATIONS: BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEPT. 18, 2025

1. Call to order
2. That the Board meet in camera.
That the Board revert to regular session.
3. *Land and People Acknowledgement*
4. That the Agenda be adopted, as amended or as circulated.
- 5.1. That the Board of Trustees approves the Minutes of Aug. 21, 2025 Meeting, as amended or as circulated.
6. The Board of Trustees receives for information the Board Report.
7. The Board of Trustees receives for information the Superintendent Report.
8. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives

Association/Employee Groups

9. The Board of Trustees receives for information the report from the representative of the ATA Local #28.
10. The Board of Trustees receives for information the report from the representative of the Employee Relations Group.

Business Arising from the Previous Meeting

New Business

11. Business Arising from In Camera.

Reports for Information

12. The Board of Trustees receives for information a report on the Annual Trustee Compensation for 2025-26.
13. Trustee Notices of Motions/Requests for Information



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, Aug. 21, 2025, in the Boardroom, Central Services, Sherwood Park, Alberta. The Board of Trustees meeting convened with Board Chair Cathy Allen calling the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

C. Allen, Board Chair
S. Miller, Vice-Chair
T. Boymook
R. Footz
C. Holowaychuk
D. Irwin (virtually)
R. Sorochan

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

S. Stoddard, Superintendent
R. Marshall, Associate Superintendent
R. Johnson, Associate Superintendent
L. Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer
W. Gilewich, Executive Director, Facility Services and Information Technologies
L. McNabb, Director, Communications Services
T. Borchers, Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:01 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance, except Trustee Irwin.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

077/2025 | Trustee Sorochan moved: That the Board meet in camera (9:01 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Irwin joined the meeting virtually at 9:10 a.m.

078/2025 | Trustee Sorochan moved: That the Board revert to regular session (10:01 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Board recessed at 10:01 a.m. and reconvened at 10:10 a.m. with all trustees noted above in attendance.

LAND AND PEOPLE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Board Chair Allen welcomed all in attendance in person and virtually to the public session, followed by the Land and People Acknowledgment.

AGENDA

Board Chair Allen called for amendments to the Agenda.

079/2025 | Trustee Holowaychuk moved: That the Agenda be adopted, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Chair Allen called for confirmation of the June 19, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.

080/2025 | Trustee Boymook moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of June 19, 2025 Board Meeting, as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BOARD REPORT

Board Chair Allen highlighted recent trustee events for information.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Stoddard highlighted recent events for information.

COMMENTS, PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS AT BOARD MEETINGS

No comments, presentations or delegations were reported.

Association/Employee Groups

ASBA ZONE 2/3 REPORT

Trustee Holowaychuk presented the ASBA Zone 2/3 report for the meeting held on June 20, 2025. The next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 19, 2025.

ATA LOCAL REPORT

Board Chair Allen welcomed ATA representative Maxine Holm. Representative Holm presented the Local ATA #28 report to the Board.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS GROUP (ERG) REPORT

Board Chair Allen welcomed Employee Relations Group (ERG) representative Michelle Miller. Representative Miller presented the ERG report to the Board.

Business Arising from Previous Meeting

No business arising from the previous meeting.

New Business

BUSINESS ARISING FROM IN CAMERA

No business arising from in camera.

TRUSTEE SCHOOL LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE LIST 2025-26

Board Chair Allen presented to the Board the 2025-26 Trustee School Liaison Representative List for approval.

081/2025 | Vice-Chair Miller moved: That the Board of Trustees approve the 2025-26 Trustee School Liaison Representative List, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee Reports

No committee reports were presented.

Reports for Information

TRUSTEES' REPORTS/NOTICES OF MOTIONS/REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

No notices of motion or requests for information were presented.

082/2025 | Trustee Sorochan moved: That the Board meet in camera (10:39 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

083/2025 | Trustee Holowaychuk moved: That the Board revert to regular session 11:19 a.m.).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Board Chair Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Cathy Allen, Board Chair

Sandra Stoddard, Superintendent



INFORMATION REPORT

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DATE: Sept. 18, 2025

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Sandra Stoddard, Superintendent

SUBJECT: Annual Trustee Compensation 2025-26

ORIGINATOR: Leah Lewis, Secretary-Treasurer

RESOURCE STAFF: Carmine von Tettenborn, Director, Financial Services

REFERENCE: Board Policy 7: Board Operations

EIPS PRIORITY: Enhance high-quality learning and working environments.

EIPS GOAL: Quality infrastructure for all.

EIPS OUTCOME: Learning and working environments are supported by effective planning, management and investment in Division infrastructure.

ISSUE:

That the Board of Trustees receives for information the trustees' compensation schedule for the 2025-26 year.

BACKGROUND:

Per Section 12.3 of Policy 7: Board Operations:

Trustees' compensation shall be adjusted September 1 annually. The methodology to be used is an average of the per cent change in annual average index of Alberta Consumer Price Index (CPI) and the per cent change in annual average earnings Alberta Average Weekly Earnings (AWE) (not less than zero).

CURRENT SITUATION OR KEY POINT:

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a key measure of inflation that reflects changes in the prices paid by Canadian consumers for a consistent basket of goods and services over time. In June 2025, Alberta's CPI rose by 1.9% compared to the same month in 2024.

Alberta's Average Weekly Earnings (AWE) represent the total weekly earnings divided by the number of employees in the province. In May 2025, Alberta's average weekly earnings rose by 2.4% compared to May 2024. This increase reflects higher wages across various sectors and changes in employment composition.

The average of the percent change for the above two items is 2.2%. The annual compensation numbers will be reflected in the 2025-26 Fall Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2025-26 Trustees' Annual Compensation Schedule

Trustee Compensation Schedule

2025-26 Annual Compensation - 2.2% Increase

	Base 2025-26	Executive Allowance	Travel Allowances		Basic	Total
			Chair/Vice Chair	Additional Travel		
Boymook (Sherwood Park)	38,852	-	-	-	3,221	42,073
Allen (Sherwood Park)	38,852	13,872	1,479	-	3,221	57,424
Irwin (Sherwood Park)	38,852	-	-	-	3,221	42,073
TBD (South of Wye Strathcona County)	38,852	-	-	1,016	3,221	43,089
Miller (North of Wye Strathcona County)	38,852	6,746	883	1,016	3,221	50,718
TBD (Fort Saskatchewan)	38,852	-	-	2,895	3,221	44,968
Sorochan (Fort Saskatchewan)	38,852	-	-	2,895	3,221	44,968
Holowaychuk (Lamont)	38,852	-	-	6,074	3,221	48,147
Footz (Minburn)	38,852	-	-	8,442	3,221	50,515
	349,664	20,618	2,362	22,337	28,990	423,973