

OVERVIEW OF DISCUSSION & INFORMATION ITEMS

- During the Board Organizational Meeting, Trustee **Jim Ralph** was sworn in as Board Chair, and Trustee **Doug Smith** was sworn in as Board Vice-Chair. All Trustees took their oath of office, and the Board welcomed two new Cardston trustees to the Board, **Colin Paterson** and **Tami Tolley**.
- The Board approved meeting dates for the remainder of the school year. These are available on the [division website](#).
- Assistant Superintendent **Rob Doig** gave a presentation updating the Board on areas of the division that are piloting the new curriculum introduced by Alberta Education. Westwind currently has 21 teachers piloting a portion of the new curriculum, all 21 are piloting Language Arts, and 5 of the 21 are also piloting math and/or science.
- The Board reviewed the [October 5, 2021 letter](#) sent by the Minister of Health Jason Copping and the Minister of Education Adriana LaGrange which calls on school boards to develop staff vaccination policies as part of a provincial strategy to support "safe in-person learning." The Board reviewed letters received by parents on this matter and will continue to consult with legal and gather information in order to make an informed decision on this issue.
- The Board reviewed a request by Raymond High School for an out-of-province tournament. While U.S. travel advisories have been lifted, Peter Wright will confirm insurance requirements/limitations before the Board approve this request.