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Board Meeting Highlights – August 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 10:30 a.m. STAR Central Office 4906 50 Ave., Leduc, AB *The public is welcome to stream all Board meetings.*

Board of Trustees

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Public Forum

The Board held a Public Forum to hear questions, concerns, and comments from parents regarding masks in schools for students in Kindergarten through Grade 3 and school start dates. The Board committed to reviewing its decision making process for ways in which parent engagement can be further incorporated.

K-3 Mask Mandate Rescinded

After a Committee of the Whole meeting to receive information, a Public Form and review of feedback from parents, and a debate amongst Trustees, the Board voted to rescind its recent motion to mandate masks for students in Kindergarten through Grade 3. Masks for students in Grades 4 through 12 are a provincial directive and will continue to be in place.

School Start Date Delayed

Due to the implications of the rescinded mask mandate for K-3 students, including allowing time for families to indicate an updated learning preference and additional time required to adequately staff each option, the Board voted to delay the start of school until Tuesday, September 8.

Alberta School Council Association

The Board agreed to pay the fees for membership to the ASCA for all Division school councils for the 2020-2021 school year.

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