

DATE: June 20, 2023

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Darrel Robertson, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Trustee Representation for Ward H

RESOURCE STAFF: Karen Mills

REFERENCE [Trustees' Handbook](#)

ISSUE

The Board will choose from among sitting Trustees to provide representation for Ward H.

BACKGROUND

Nathan Ip was elected to the Alberta legislature and resigned as Ward H Trustee effective June 6, 2023.

At their June 6, 2023, meeting, the Board passed the recommendation to select from among current Trustees to represent Ward H for the remainder of this term.

RELATED FACTS

- In the 2023-2024 school year, the Board will be in the third year of its four-year term. The next municipal election is scheduled for October 20, 2025.

- Ward H has 11 schools (see Attachment I for a list of all schools by ward):
 - Constable Daniel Woodall (K-6)
 - Donald R. Getty (K-9)
 - Dr. Anne Anderson (10-12)
 - Dr. Lila Fahlman (K-9)
 - Dr. Margaret- Ann Armour (K-9)
 - Garth Worthington (K-9)
 - George P. Nicholson (K-6)
 - Joey Moss (K-9)
 - Johnny Bright (K-9)
 - Keheewin (K-6)
 - Roberta MacAdams (K-6)

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Board select one Trustee to represent Ward H until the municipal election in October 2025.
2. That the Board approve additional remuneration for the Trustee representing Ward H until the municipal election in October 2025.

OPTIONS

Based on the information provided in this report, the following options are considered most appropriate:

1. Approve the recommendation as presented.
2. Select one of the other options presented.
3. Present an alternative option.

CONSIDERATIONS and ANALYSIS

To provide Trustee representation for Ward H, Trustees could consider one of the following options:

- *Elect one Trustee to represent Ward H in addition to their current ward.* This option would provide a consistent point of contact for constituents and facilitate a broad understanding of the ward issues. While this arrangement would increase the responsibilities of the individual Trustee, they could ask Trustee colleagues for assistance, when appropriate.

This option could be designed such that the Trustee serve the ward either:

- for the remainder of the term (two years), or
 - for one year, following which the decision as to which Trustee will cover Ward H for the 2024-2025 school year could be made at the Organizational Board meeting in June 2024.
- *Rotate Trustee representation for Ward H* (i.e., each Trustee would be the ward contact for approximately two months, which would provide representation until the October 2025 municipal election). This option would share the responsibilities among Trustees and provide constituents with access to Trustees with a broad scope of skills, expertise and experience. However, it may be difficult for constituents to keep track of which Trustee is the contact for the ward. It would also impede relationship development and add complexity to carrying out longer-term projects or gaining a deep understanding of ward issues.
 - *Divide Ward H among Trustees* (i.e., individual Trustees are assigned specific schools in the ward for the remainder of the term). This option would most evenly divide responsibility among Trustees. However, an understanding of broad ward issues may be more difficult to gain with this model. It may also be difficult for constituents to know who their Trustee is and it would be challenging for the building of relationships across the ward and continuity for longer-term ward issues.

All of the options require the Trustee(s) to undertake additional duties. Therefore, the Board may consider approving additional remuneration for the Trustee(s) representing Ward H.

The Trustees' Handbook states, "The total Trustee remuneration package should recognize the role and responsibilities undertaken by the collective Board, individual Trustees and the time required in fulfilling their responsibilities" (p. 69).

A Trustee receives \$39,359 as a yearly honorarium. (The Board Chair and ViceChair receive slightly higher amounts to recognize their extra duties.)

In 2020, when a Trustee was selected to represent the ward left vacant due to a Trustee resignation, the Board of the day approved an increase of \$12,500 to the honourarium, based on the reasoning that it was the Board Chair who would be representing the ward and that other Trustees would assist, given the Chair's already heavier workload. It was also only for one year. The first recommendation in this report contemplates a Trustee taking on the full role of a ward Trustee for the next two years.

NEXT STEPS

Upon the Board's decision, administration will communicate the change of Trustee coverage in Ward H to schools and the community and will update any materials that contain Trustee names. If approved, Human Resources will adjust the Trustee's honourarium.

ATTACHMENTS and APPENDICES

ATTACHMENT I Schools by Ward

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List of Schools by Ward

WARD A	WARD B	WARD C	WARD D	WARD E	WARD F	WARD G	WARD H	WARD I
Athlone	Balwin	Aldergrove	Abbott	Aleda	Alberta	A. Blair	Constable	Crawford
Baturyn	Bannerman	amiskwacyi	Academy at	Patterson	School for	McPherson	Daniel	Plains
Caernarvon	Belmont	Academy	King Edward	Alex Janvier	the Deaf	Avonmore	Woodall	Daly Grove
Calder	Belvedere	Belmead	Argyll	Bessie	Allendale	Bisset	Donald R.	Ekota
Dickinsfield	Delwood	Brightview	Centre	Nichols	Avalon	Braemar	Getty	Ellerslie
Dunluce	Dr. Donald	Britannia	Beacon	Callingwood	Belgravia	Clara Tyner	Dr. Anne	Campus
Elizabeth Finch	Massey	Coronation	Heights	Centennial	Brander	Donnan	Anderson	Jan Reimer
Evansdale	Edmonton	David Thomas	Centre High	Crestwood	Gardens	Edith Rogers	Dr. Lila	kisêwâtisiwin
Florence Hallock	Christian	King	Campus	Elmwood	Brookside	Grace	Fahlman	Menisa
Glengarry	Northeast	Dovercourt	Delton	Hillcrest	D.S.	Martin	Dr. Margaret-	Meyokumin
Hilwie Hamdon	Fraser	Edmonton	Eastglen	James	MacKenzie	Greenview	Ann Armour	Michael
Kensington	Homesteade	Christian High	Forest	Gibbons	Duggan	Hazeldean	Garth	Strembitsky
Killarney	r	Edmonton	Heights	Jasper Place	Earl Buxton	Hillview	Worthington	Pollard
Lago Lindo	Horse Hill	Christian	Garneau	Kim Hung	Esther	Holyrood	George P.	Meadows
Lauderdale	J.A. Fife	West	Gold Bar	Laurier	Starkman	J. Percy Page	Nicholson	Sakaw
Learning Store at	John Barnett	Glenora	Hardisty	Heights	George H.	Jackson	Joey Moss	Satoo
Northgate	John D.	Grovenor	Highlands	Learning	Luck	Heights	Johnny Bright	Shauna
Lorelei	Bracco	Inglewood	Ivor Dent	Store West	Grandview	Julia Kiniski	Keheewin	May Seneca
Major-General	Kildare	John A.	King Edward	Edmonton	Heights	Kameyosek	Roberta	Svend
Griesbach	Kirkness	McDougall	McNally	Lymburn	Greenfield	Kate	MacAdams	Hansen
Mary	Londonderry	LaPerle	Norwood	Lynnwood	Harry Ainlay	Chegwin		T.D. Baker
Butterworth	M.E. LaZerte	Mayfield	Old Scona	Meadowlark	L.Y. Cairns	Kenilworth		
McArthur	McLeod	Michael Phair	Oliver	Meadowlark	Lansdowne	Learning		
Mee-Yah-Noh	Overlanders	Prince Charles	Riverdale	Christian	Learning	Store on		
Northmount	Princeton	Ross	Rutherford	Michael A.	Store at	Whyte		
Queen Elizabeth	Sifton	Sheppard	Virginia Park	Kostek	Blue Quill	Lee Ridge		
Rossllyn	Soraya Hafez	Spruce	Windsor	Ormsby	Lendrum	Malcolm		
Scott Robertson	Steele	Avenue	Park	Parkview	Lillian	Tweddle		
	Heights	Thorncliffe		Patricia	Osborne	Metro		
	York	Victoria		Heights	Malmo	Continuing		
		Westglen		Rio Terrace	McKee	Education		
		Westminster		S. Bruce	McKernan	Meyonohk		
		Westmount		Smith	Mount	Mill Creek		
		Winterburn		Stratford	Pleasant	Millwoods		
		Youngstown		Talmud	Nellie	Christian		
				Torah	Carlson	Minchau		
					Parkallen	Ottewell		
					Queen	Thelma		
					Alexandra	Chalifoux		
					Richard	Tipaskan		
					Secord	Velma E.		
					Rideau Park	Baker		
					Riverbend	Vimy Ridge		
					Steinhauer	Academy		
					Strathcona	W.P.		
					Sweet Grass	Wagner		
					Tevie Miller	Waverley		
					Heritage	Weinlos		
					School			
					Vernon			
					Barford			
					Westbrook			