1. LCI Dual Credit Program Presentation
This semester LCI launched a dual credit class, Liberal Education 1000, delivered in collaboration with the University of Lethbridge and business partner West Jet. Another dual credit course, Supply Chain Management, is scheduled for second semester in collaboration with the University of Lethbridge and business partner Haul All. LCI was in attendance to provide the Board a presentation with regard to their experience with the project to date.

2. International Trips Approved
The Board approved the following International Trips:
- Boys and Girls Basketball teams trip to Phoenix, Arizona, from December 26th, 2015 to January 2nd, 2016 – Chinook
- Group of students on a tour of Portugal and Spain in March and April 2017 – Chinook
- Group of students on a War and Remembrance Tour of Europe from April 14th, 2017 to April 23rd, 2017 – WCHS
- Group of French as a Second Language Students on a tour of Paris from March 24th, 2016 to April 1st, 2016 – ICHS

3. New Age Integrated Technology for Chinook High School Gymnasium
The Chinook Community leads the way with innovative technology to compliment the growth mind-set of their school. Chinook looks for ways to support the learning and growth of their students in all aspects of curriculum and school experience.

This totally integrated system, which includes:
- Production Centre
- AV racks and server
- Gym Audio
- 2 Gym LED 12 x 7 and 16 x 10
• Portable wireless system
• Full and complete installation

In going out for tender, only one company could provide the equipment and installation, and that was Digital Edge Media from Sherwood Park, Alberta. The full funding of $214,743.21 plus G.S.T. will come from Chinook High School’s School Generated Funds and operational budget.

The programming that will occur over this integrated system will be developed and used during PE instructional time, school gatherings and co-curricular events. Using and operating will be the full responsibility of students under teacher supervision. Kevin Wood’s comment was this technology will allow us to continue to grow a close knit community by gathering and using seamless technology for school celebrations, community gatherings, spirit rallies, guest speakers as well as world class hosting of events. Principal Kevin Wood, provided the Board with and overview of the New Age Integrated Technology for Chinook High School.

4. Policy Review
The policies listed below were reviewed by the Policy Advisory Committee. Subsequently, the policies were distributed to school and District administration, staffs and school councils for input.

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Teresa Loewen was in attendance to provide the Board with an overview of each policy, share any feedback that has been received and responded to questions trustees had.

5. Voluntary Retirement – Local Authorities Pension Plan Members
For the past several years, the Board has approved a Voluntary Retirement Plan for the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) 290, CUPE 2843 and non-union employees. This opportunity for staff members has facilitated the hiring process for the following year.

This plan allows staff members of the Local Authorities Pension Plan to retire as of January 31, 2016 and then begin a temporary contract with the Board effective February 1, 2016 – June 26, 2016.

The Board approved the Voluntary Retirement Package for all employees who are members of the Local Authorities Pension Plan (CUPE 290, CUPE 2843 and non-union employees) who, by December 18, 2015, submit a letter of resignation
effective January 31, 2016. Such employees will be offered a temporary contract effective February 1, 2016 – June 26, 2016.

6. **Voluntary Retirement – Alberta Teachers’ Retirement Fund Members**

For the past several years, the Board has approved a Teacher Voluntary Retirement Plan. This opportunity for teaching staff members has facilitated the hiring process for the following year.

This plan allows for a teacher to retire as of January 31, 2016 and then begin a temporary contract with the Board effective February 1, 2016 – June 26, 2016.

The Board approved the Voluntary Retirement Package for all employees who are members of the Teacher Retirement Fund who, by December 18, 2015, submit a letter of resignation effective January 31, 2016. Such employees will be offered a temporary contract effective February 1, 2016 – June 26, 2016.

7. **Breakfast with the Board**

On a monthly basis trustees meet with the staff of one district site for a continental breakfast. The informal meeting provides an opportunity for staff to share highlights of their work with trustees. Additionally trustees can share information about district initiatives and respond to questions staff members may have.

Breakfast with the Board has been scheduled at Immanuel Christian Elementary School on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Following the breakfast, Principal Jay Visser will provide a tour of the school for trustees.

8. **Fast Forward Year-end Report**

The FAST FORWARD High School Completion Initiative began in 2010 and has provided service to 476 students since that time. As a result, a total of 4,245 credits have been earned by the youth participating in the program. Referrals to the program come from more than 15 agencies and post-secondary institutions. As students enrolled in the program have diverse needs, the Student Support Advisors assist them in accessing services from more than 20 city agencies. The two Student Support Advisors, JoAnn St. John and Nikki Cale, work diligently with Victoria Park High School to provide the support and educational program that best fits each student. The program has consistently demonstrated that it is meeting the needs of youth who, with encouragement and a fresh start, can achieve their goals. Superintendent Cheryl Gilmore requested that a formal thank you will be sent to JoAnn St. John and Nicki Cale for the work they do for the students of the Fast Forward Program.

9. **51-25 Celebration Banquet**

The 51-25 celebration was held on October 21, 2015 at the Lethbridge Lodge.

The new members of the 51-25 club are: Angela Manderville, Anne Bowen, Bob McMann, Brenda Anderberg, Cynthia Parr, Donna James, Karen Hudson, Laverne Krizan, Mark Dechief, Marlin Howg, Patti deGorter, Sharon Peat, Toby Boulet and Bill Pernsky.
10. Trustees Reported on the Following:

- Community and Social Development – October 2
- District School Council – October 5
- District Student Advisory Council – October 8
- Chamber of Commerce Business and Education Sub Committee – October 13
- Healthy Schools Committee – October 21

Congratulations!

To...

Senator Buchanan School raised $2900 for the Terry Fox Foundation.

Senator Buchanan staff member Julie Matthews finished first in the Banff Triathlon.

Senator Buchanan Vice Principal Richard Tapajna ran for 54 km in the Ultra Marathon in Lethbridge.

District Terry Fox Committee provided excellent support for the event and district schools that participated made it wonderful. Thank you to Carolle Babin, Principal of École Agnes Davidson, and Dean Hawkins, Principal of Wilson Middle School, for shaving their hair in the “Head Shave Challenge”. Special acknowledgement to the Chinook High School students who were fantastic at the event cheering the younger students on and helping out with water bottles/granola bars (true leadership and support).

LCI students Jordan Zeck and Tanner Lapointe as well as recent LCI grad Payton Hansen are part of the 2015 Alberta Youth Choir. This choir consists of 51 students from across the province that auditioned and were successful in those auditions. This choir is also conducted by 1988 LCI Alumnus Dr. Graeme Langager who is currently the director of choral activities at UBC.

The following students represented LCI and Lethbridge in the 2015 Alberta Honour Band October 21-23 at the Annual Music Conference Alberta in Red Deer: Nick Swidinsky, Jonathan Kwan, Gerald Rogers, Grace Forster, and Claire McMahon. This is an auditioned honours group of high school students from across the province. Both the Alberta Honour Band conductor and the Alberta Youth Choir conductor are LCI alumni. Dr. Gillian MacKay teaches wind
conducting at the University of Toronto and Dr. Graeme Langager teaches choral conducting at the University of British Columbia.

LCI student Christian Gomes will be heading to the Cyclocross Nationals in Winnipeg in October. Christian has had a very successful cycling season this year – he is the current Provincial road race champion for his division. He races for Ascent Cycle Racing. If he does well in Winnipeg, he could have the opportunity to go to Worlds in Heusden Zolder, Belgium.

Congratulations to Churchill grade 12 student, Matthew Story, for being awarded the “Great Kid” award from Alberta Human Services for his leadership and contributions to the Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) community in Lethbridge.

Churchill teacher Toby Boulet has spearheaded a challenge to other city high schools to match Lethbridge Hurricane player donations to KidSport Lethbridge & Taber based on goals scored. Hurricane players Tyler Wong, Carter Folk and Ryley Lindgren will be donating $5 for each goal they score this season to KidSport. Toby has a group of 10 Churchill staff members participating to match the contributions of the 3 players and has challenged the other city high schools to meet the challenge. Wong and Folk both attended Churchill.

Congratulations to Churchill grade 12 student Jeff Masse on earning a golf scholarship to attend the University of Charleston (West Virginia) next year.

Congratulations to the 31 new members inducted to the Churchill chapter of the National Honor Society on October 20. The group of over 50 active student volunteer leaders provide service to the school and community throughout the year.

GS Lakie staff and students gathered on Friday, October 16, 2015 to fill a huge maple leaf outside of the school in support of the Toronto Blue Jays. The event was recorded by a drone and sent to the Blue Jays organization and broadcast on Sportsnet West on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

Mostly every school in the district made donations to local food banks through the Feed the Bug initiatives going on in October. Over $375,000 has been donated in the 20 years that the program has been running.

Chinook High School teacher, Cam Hall, convocated with his Master’s in Education.

Chinook High School Cross Country Team: Mackenzie Gentek was tenth at Provincials and 1st in Zones in Senior Girls. As a team, Chinook placed third overall in the 3A school division and won both the Senior and Junior girl's categories (out of approximately 50 teams).
South zone Cross Country champions. Grade 9 boys Solen Wood, Grade 11 Janelle Bykowski, and Grade 12 Mackenzie Gentek.

Chinook High School student and LASC swimmer Kaelan Freund will swim for Penn State next Fall.

Just a reminder...

Everyone is welcome to attend the Board Meetings. They begin at 3:30 p.m. and are held in the Education Centre Board Room located at 433 – 15 St. S. If you can’t make it at 3:30, you can drop by at any time during the meeting. They usually end at around 6:00 p.m.