



# Highlights from the Budget Meeting of the Board of Trustees

## Budget Meeting highlights from May 29

### 1. Review of Feedback from Public Budget Presentation

Director of Finance Avice DeKolver provided a summary based on the feedback received from the public budget presentation.

### 2. Opening Comments

Each Trustee was permitted five minutes to make general comments on the budget or to identify particular issues they wished to highlight. Trustees comments begins 4:50 in to the livestream: [BOARD COMMENTS](#). Board Chair Allison Purcell's comments can be found here: [BOARD CHAIR](#).

### 3. Review of Belief Statements

The Board of Trustees belief statements, for preparation of the 2023/2024 budget, can be found on Page 6 of the [AGENDA](#).

### 4. Revenues and Allocations

Debate in this section focused on revenues and allocations, including projected operating revenues, fees, inter-fund transfers, etc. Total revenues and the allocation to each block will be finalized.

The use of one-time operating reserves is subject to Ministerial Approval for the 2023/2024 school year. The budget may need to be subsequently adjusted if the use of reserves, as outlined in the 2023/2024 budget does not receive Ministerial Approval.

### 5. Fees

Fee information was attached to the agenda, which included a fee overview, and the 2023/2024 detailed proposed school fee listing.

The Board unanimously approved the 2023/2024 School Fee Schedule as presented.

### 6. Overall Revenues and Allocations

The Board unanimously approved the revenues and use of one-time reserves for the 2023/2024 budget as per Page 27 of the [AGENDA](#) as presented.

### 7. Expenditures and Transfers

Overall expenditures and transfers for the Division were outlined on Page 28 of the [AGENDA](#) for the 2023/2024 budget. The debate occurred in five sections.

Section 1 - Instruction: The Board approved the Instruction expenditures and transfers as per pages 34-36 of the 2023/2024 budget as presented by a 4-2 vote (Genny Steed and Craig Whitehead opposed).

Section 2 - Administration: The Board approved the Administration expenditures and transfers as per pages 37-39 of the 2023/2024 budget as presented by a 5-1 vote (Craig Whitehead opposed).

Section 3 - Plant Operations and Maintenance - The Board unanimously approved the Plant Operations and Maintenance expenditures and transfers as per pages 40-41 of the 2023/2024 budget as presented.

## **7. Expenditures and Transfers**

Section 4 - Transportation: The Board unanimously approved the Transportation expenditures and transfers as per pages 42-43 of the 2023/2024 budget as presented.

Section 5 - Capital and Debt Services: The Board unanimously approved the Capital and Debt Services expenditures and transfers as per pages 44-45 of the 2023/2024 budget as presented.

## **8. Budget Approval**

After consideration of the budget assumptions used in developing the budget and the Board budget beliefs and priorities:

The Board approved the 2023/2024 preliminary budget for Lethbridge School Division as detailed in the previous motions, and authorized administration to allocate and expend funds in accordance with the budget, and the Board authorized administration to amend the 2023/2024 preliminary budget, if required by changes in the requested Ministerial Approval on use of reserves. The budget passed by a vote of 4-2 (Genny Steed and Craig Whitehead were opposed).

Discussion on the Budget Approval begins at the 43:55 mark of the [LIVESTREAM](#).

More information on the budget can be found here: [PRELIMINARY BUDGET](#).

## **9. Assurance Plan Approval**

The 2023/2024 Assurance Plan was presented. The presentation begins at the 57:10 mark of the [LIVESTREAM](#).

The plan was passed by a 5-1 vote (Craig Whitehead was opposed).

The plan can be found here: [ASSURANCE](#).

**Regular Meeting video: [LIVESTREAM](#)**



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