



**DATE:** June 28, 2023

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Stacey Buga, Committee Chair

**GOVERNANCE POLICY:** [Policy 221 – Role of the Trustee](#)  
[Policy 230 – Board Committees](#)  
[Policy 230 – Board Committees; Appendix K – Advocacy Committee](#)  
[Policy 231 – Student Advisory Committee](#)

**ADDITIONAL REFERENCE:** [Policy 225 – Board Responsibility and Conduct](#)  
[Administrative Procedure 250 – Student Advisory Committee](#)  
*Board Procedures Regulation 82/2019*  
*Education Act: Section 34, 51, 52(1)(b)*  
Assurance Domains – [Governance & Local and Societal Context](#)

**SUBJECT:** Advocacy Committee

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**PURPOSE:**

For information.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Advocacy Committee makes recommendations to the Board regarding the advocacy priorities and strategies to be undertaken by the Board of Trustees. The Committee recommends and reviews policies related to advocacy. The Committee is to undertake ad hoc Committee work relative to the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) and the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA).

- The Student Advisory Committee is a sub-committee of the Advocacy Committee. The Board believes in, and supports, the inclusion of a student voice in its deliberations. The Student Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for student representatives to engage in a dialogue with the Board and Superintendent about matters of mutual interest and provides students with knowledge and understanding about Public Education and Sturgeon Public School Division. Two grade 7–9 students and two grade 10-12 students from schools across the Division make up the Student Advisory Committee.

**REPORT SUMMARY:**

The Advocacy Committee held a meeting on June 7, 2023. The following is a summary of that meeting:

- Discussed agenda for GSACRD meeting June 16, 2023;
- Reviewed Friend of Education ASBA Award – Division Top Donors in 2022-2023;
- Reviewed May 2023 Staff Recognition Staff Survey Feedback;
- Reviewed Advocacy Committee Year End Report;
- Discussed Student Advisory Co-Chair Recognition;
- Discussed Student Advisory Committee Proposed Dates for the 2023-2024 School Year; and



- Holiday Card Artwork Search.

The Committee Chair is prepared to respond to questions at the June 28, 2023, Public Board meeting.