



CRPS' Board of Trustees (left to right): Dale Craig, Arlene Rheume, Luke Sunderland, Carol Picard, Brian Callaghan

In Memory of Carol Picard - Trustee - Canadian Rockies Public Schools

It is with deep sadness that we share with you the loss of our long-standing trustee, Carol Picard. Carol passed at home in the wee hours of August 13th, after a long illness.



Carol spent over 35 years in the Bow Valley making connections and forming communities - 31 of those years married to the love of her life, Robin, and 29 of them raising their daughter, Sam.

Carol lived and breathed the Bow Valley. Carol's many accomplishments - founding one of the local newspapers, being at the helm of the local folk music festival, starting up the Monday night community dinners, as well as being a valued trustee of the Canadian Rockies Public Schools for more than twenty years - all earned her the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal and King Charles III Medal for service to the community. Carol also received other awards for her community-mindedness, including a Volunteer of the Year award.

Carol often talked with pride about our little school division that punched above its weight ... Carol was no different, a lady small in stature who was always willing to tackle the big topics and punched way above her weight. She proved that greatness isn't measured in size.

Carol will never be forgotten by her family, the CRPS community and the Bow Valley at large. She will be dearly missed.



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Administrative Procedures Updates

Administrative Procedures are the primary written source of administrative direction for the Division. Development or review of a specific administrative procedure may be initiated at any time, as needed.

At the August 27th Public School Board Meeting the following Administrative Procedures were brought forward as information for the Board:

- AP 140 Technology and Artificial Intelligence (AI) Acceptable Use

- AP 172 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
- AP 192 Health Emergency Response
- AP 193 Air Quality
- AP 223 Human Sexuality Education

APs can be viewed in their entirety on the CRPS website at www.crps.ca

CRPS Tidbits

Important Calendar Date

The Board of Trustees' next regular meeting is set for September 24, 2025, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Central Board Office in Canmore.

Building Community Together: School Councils

School Councils are a great way for parents and guardians to stay connected with their child's school and to have a voice in building a positive school community. By joining, you'll meet other parents, share ideas, and support school initiatives that benefit all students. Whether you can attend every meeting or contribute when you are able, your involvement makes a difference.

The following September School Council meeting dates have been set:

Alpenglow - Sept 11 @6:30
BCHS - Sept 8 @5:30
BES - Sept 24 @3:30
CCHS - Sept 16 @7:00
ERS - Sept 17 @6:30
LGMS - Sept 11 @7:00

Contact your principal for more information.

Welcome Back Activities

Alpenglow

Welcome Back Tea Sept 3
8:00 - 8:45 a.m.
Open House Sept 11
5:30 - 6:30

BCHS

Open House Sept 17
6:30

BES

Open House Sept 11
3:15 - 4:15

CCHS

Parent Info Night Sept 4
5:00 - 7:00

ERS

Open House Sept 10
6:00 - 7:00

Exshaw School

Back-to-School BBQ Sept 11
5:00 - 6:30

LGMS

Open House Sept 18
6:00

Election Day is October 20, 2025

Become a Trustee for CRPS!

If you are passionate about education and community leadership, consider running for trustee in the upcoming election. Join CRPS in fostering a thriving, equitable education system that supports every student's success. Together, let's create a stronger future for our schools and community.

Nomination Day - Monday September 22, 2025

Nomination papers must be filed with the Returning Officer prior to noon on Nomination Day at the Canadian Rockies School Division Central Board Office located at 618 - 7 Avenue in Canmore.

Individuals wishing to run for the position of trustee in the 2025 election are strongly encouraged to thoroughly read CRPS' "2025 Candidate Information Package" (which can be found on the crps website) in preparation for submitting their nomination forms.

"Inspiring Hearts and Minds" - CRPS' Board of Trustees

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