

**DATE:** June 6, 2017

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Trustee Cheryl Johner

**SUBJECT:** Motion re: Joining the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta

**REFERENCE:** [Trustees' Handbook – Section 5.2.2 – Notices of Motion](#)

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**ISSUE**

Notice of motion was served at the May 9, 2017, Board meeting.

**BACKGROUND**

Edmonton Public Schools values collaboration, the sharing of resources and expertise, and continuous learning. The Public School Boards' Association of Alberta brings together Public School Boards from across the province to advocate around common issues, share best practices, network and participate in professional development. Our District could benefit by listening and having a voice at these provincial-level conversations, having Trustees and students participate in the educational sessions offered, and deepening connections with other Public School Boards. As the second largest Public School District in the province, we also have a lot of resources and expertise we could offer to the Association.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Edmonton Public School Board become a member of the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta.**

**NEXT STEPS**

Should the Board of Trustees approve the recommendation, an application for membership will be submitted to the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta.

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