

**DATE:** March 22, 2022

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Trustee Sawyer

**SUBJECT:** Motion re: Suspending CI.BP: COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for Trustees

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

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**ISSUE**

Trustee Sawyer served notice of motion at the March 8, 2022, Board meeting.

**BACKGROUND**

At the February 1, 2022, public meeting, the Board of Trustees pass CI.BP: COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for Trustees. Since that time, much has changed. Many of the COVID-19 Public Health orders have been lifted and the Government of Alberta has lifted its COVID-19 vaccination policy for employees - including health care workers. The Board's policy was developed closely to align with the Division's vaccination administrative regulation. The Superintendent suspended this administrative regulation on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**RELATED FACTS**

Today, over 96 per cent of Division staff are vaccinated and vaccination rates are significantly higher within the community than they were in late fall.

Our schools continue to layer health strategies for our collective safety, and Trustees continue to support these measures, including:

- enhanced cleaning and disinfecting in schools
- encouraging healthy habits, such as washing and sanitizing hands and covering coughs and sneezes
- enhancing school ventilation systems with HEPA filters and upgrading filtration systems to MERV 13 filters
- daily health screening and staying home when sick

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That policy CI.BP: COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for Trustees be suspended.**

**OPTIONS**

1. Approve the recommendation as presented.
2. Provide feedback and request changes to the recommendation for approval.

**NEXT STEPS**

Upon approval of the motion, CI.BP: COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for Trustees will be suspended indefinitely.

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