## **Information Report**

## EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**DATE:** November 9, 2021

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Darrel Robertson, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:** Bereavements

**ORIGINATOR:** Angela Anderson, Chief Human Resources Officer

**RESOURCE** 

**STAFF:** Cindy Maksymuik

**REFERENCE:** AEBC.AR Acknowledging Student, Staff and Trustee Deaths and Bereavements

Ms. Carrie Johnston passed away on September 3, 2021, at the age of 50 years. Ms. Johnston started with the Division in 2006. She spent her 15-year career working as a teacher assistant, library technician, educational assistant and speech language pathologist assistant in Waverley, Duggan, Brookside and Julia Kiniski schools and Inclusive Learning. Ms. Johnston was on a leave of absence prior to her passing. She is survived by her partner Jon; sons, Joseph, Jackson and Lucas; as well as numerous other family and friends.

Ms. Constance (Connie) McLaws passed away on September 17, 2021, at the age of 37 years. Ms. McLaws started with the Division in 2014. She spent her seven-year career working as teacher at Holyrood, Lee Ridge, Minchau and Hardisty schools. Ms. McLaws was on a leave of absence prior to her passing. She is survived by her husband, Rob; son, Liam; parents, Bill and Renee; brother Mark (Jolene); grandparents, William and Maryke; as well as numerous other family and friends.

Ms. Michelle Tymchuk passed away on October 2, 2021, at the age of 54 years. Ms. Tymchuk started with the Division in 2000. She spent her 21-year career working as administrative assistant and transportation planner in Student Transportation. She is survived by her mother, Genevieve; siblings, Deborah, Karen and Timothy; nieces and nephews; as well as numerous other family and friends.

Ms. Sonya Gordon passed away on October 10, 2021, at the age of 60 years. Ms. Gordon started with the Division in 2013. She spent her eight-year career working as educational assistant at Mee-Yah-Noh, Prince Charles, Rundle, Elizabeth Finch, Dr. Donald Massey, John Barnett and York schools; Supply Services and Inclusive Learning. Ms. Gordon is survived by her husband, Wayne; sons, Allen and Chris; brothers, Marko, Rainer and Peter; as well as numerous other family and friends.

Miss Tracy Wright passed away on October 12, 2021, at the age of 51 years. Miss Wright started with the Division in 1998. She spent her 23-year career working as teacher and department head in Centre High, Strathcona, J. Percy Page and Vimy Ridge schools. Miss Wright will be missed by students, colleagues and numerous family and friends.

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