

Trustee Report  
RancheView School Council  
December 20, 2016

RVS' 2015-2016 Annual Education Results Report (AERR) was approved by the Board of Trustees on Dec. 1, 2016. The digital report, accessible through the jurisdiction's homepage, highlights the levels of satisfaction among students, parents and staff, achievement levels of students as defined by Alberta Education's accountability pillar, and the jurisdiction's audited financial statement and capital plan. School Annual Results Reports, which mirror RVS' AERR and feature individual school results, will be posted shortly under Publications/School Reports.

Also on Dec 1, 2016, the Board of Trustees approved RVS' 2015/16 Audited Financial Statement, accepting the auditor's opinion that the jurisdiction's financial management remains in good standings. As defined by the financial statements, revenues totalled over \$248 million to support the needs of 21,621 students. Of this total, 76.50 percent was spent on Instruction, 14.03 percent on Plant Operations and Maintenance, 6.39 percent on Transportation and 3.01 percent on Board Governance and System Administration – well below the government's ceiling of 3.6 percent. The AFS now will be submitted to Alberta Education and a copy posted on the RVS website under Publications/Capital & Budget.

Now that official student enrolment numbers have been set for RVS for this year, RVS' 2016/17 Fall Budget Update revealed that revenues are up by \$3.4 million over the jurisdiction's spring budget, as a result of higher enrolments of 248 students – bringing RVS' overall enrolment growth to 1,194 new students. Four (\$4.0) million of these new monies were allocated for direct classroom instruction, allowing the jurisdiction to hire an extra 23.7 teachers and spend an additional \$900K on instructional resources. An additional \$200K was directed to hire 1 teacher and 3 learning assistants to support inclusive education, and \$800K was allocated to hire 15.3 instructional support staff and .7 teacher to support specialized and wrap-around services.

RVS has made a request to the Town of Cochrane to install fencing along the west side of the play fields adjacent to the roadway. In addition, the fencing along the north and east sides are inappropriate for school play fields. There were missed by the developer and/or the Town as per RVS school site requirements. Still waiting for a reply from the Town.