

## Highlights of the January 2026, Trustees' Meeting

### 1. PLAN DESIGN – PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION

- The ASEBP Trustees discussed potential plan design changes for 2027. Plan design and premium rate decisions for the ASEBP Group Plan will be made in tandem, with initial approval expected in February 2026 and final approval in March 2026. Decisions will be shared in future editions of the ASEBP Trustees' Report.

### 2. MYRETIREE PLAN PREMIUM RATE SETTING AND PLAN DESIGN DEFERRAL

- The ASEBP Trustees agreed to defer MyRetiree Plan premium rate and plan design decisions until Administration is able to explore options to address the implementation of Bill 11 (Health Statutes Amendment Act 2025), anticipated to take effect in the summer of 2026.

### 3. WELCOME

- The ASEBP Trustees welcomed Donna Koch, an elected school trustee for Grande Prairie Public School Division, and Julie Kusiek, an elected school trustee for Edmonton School Division, to their first meeting as ASEBP Trustees. Donna and Julie were appointed by the Alberta School Boards Association. Donna was previously an ASEBP Observer.
- The ASEBP Trustees also welcomed Katharine Kemmere, an elected school trustee for Chinook's Edge School Division, to her first meeting as an ASEBP Observer. Katharine was appointed by the Alberta School Boards Association and joins Alberta Teachers' Association-appointed Observer, Anne-Marie Huizing.

### 4. APPOINTMENTS

- The ASEBP Trustees appointed Julie Kusiek to the Audit & Risk Committee. Other members and alternates include Brad Toone, Brett Nixon, and Morey Terry.
- The ASEBP Trustees appointed Donna Koch to the Extended Disability Benefits Appeal Committee. Other members and alternates include Rob Pirie, Natashya Shewchuk, Meagan Kuik, Shelley Russell (Aon), and Michelle Ashworth (Aon).
- The Executive Appeal Committee members and alternates include Allison Purcell, James Gerun, Brad Toone, Natashya Shewchuk, Shelley Russell (Aon), and Mark Tisdale (Aon).
- The Executive & Governance Committee includes the Chair, Allison Purcell, and Vice-Chair, James Gerun.

#### ASEBP TRUSTEES

Allison Purcell, Chair  
James Gerun, Vice-Chair  
Donna Koch  
Meagan Kuik  
Julie Kusiek  
Brett Nixon  
Rob Pirie  
Natashya Shewchuk  
Morey Terry  
Brad Toone

#### INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Jocelyn Plakas-Lock



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## 5. OTHER BUSINESS

- The ASEBP Trustees participated in a strategy oversight session, focused on reviewing key principles in the Journey to 2030.

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The ASEBP Trustees' Report provides an overview of topics discussed at all ASEBP Trustees' Meetings. These meetings provide the opportunity for ASEBP Trustees to come together to discuss matters of importance at ASEBP—from the financial health of the benefit plan to the introduction of new benefits and programs. While all information in each report is an accurate account of decisions made at the meetings, there can be changes that occur between first and second readings of certain topics, which may result in differences between their reporting. To learn more about the ASEBP Trustees, please visit the Governance page, found in the About section of our website, [asebp.ca](http://asebp.ca).

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