

News You Can Use from the TAAPCS Executive Director - December 2025

Important upcoming meetings:

9 December is the next TAAPCS Executive Meeting

12 December is the next Chairs Meeting

23 October 2026 TAAPCS Teachers' Conference

November 2026 is the next TAAPCS AGM

I would like to wish everyone the best of the season and a wonderful break later this month.

TAAPCS recently welcomed our 21st member Public Charter School with the Grande Prairie Technical Institute who are planning to open their doors in September of 2026. It is always rewarding to see past conversations on members behalf become reality. Well done GPTechnical!

In my meetings with the Minister's office in early November and last week when Dee-Ann and I met with DM Pillipow and ADM Willan, SCAP continues to be the most challenging issue. To be clear we are grateful for the step forward but the lack of clarity around communications and decision making is frustrating. Dee-Ann presented an excellent outline of questions that need to be answered for TAAPCS members to better understand the process and work within it. Transparency would greatly improve our confidence.

We are working on a meeting with the Minister later in December and SCAP will be the key item.

While not an issue I spend much time on, many of you would have seen a draft message from Dee-Ann for you to share with your parents on recall. The conjoining of a recall petition for our Minister and Independent as well as Public Charter Schools is both poorly worded and an attack on the idea of choice in education. It is an excellent reminder of why so many members signed on to our 3-year strategic plan.

I am happy to report that both meetings and decisions are moving along and will be shared with Executive and then the Board Chairs meeting late next week.

As always please reach out if there are any issues, I can help you with!

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