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Goal 1: Facilitated professional development which supports the effective implementation of components of the Alberta Education Business Plan, Jurisdiction and school education plans, and Education Partner Strategic Plans

- An ARPDC provincial team retreat was held in Red Deer on September 7th and 8th. Our staff from across the province came together to share, learn and begin planning together.
- The ARPDC team of Executive Directors held weekly meetings on the 8,14,21 and 28 of September.
- Representatives from the ARPDC Executive Director team participated in the Alberta French Language Consortium Meeting on September 27.

Goal 2: Facilitate professional development, which supports the effective implementation of curricula, including instruction, assessment and student learning outcomes

- ARPDC staff worked through the Leading Powerful Professional Learning book focused on how to better facilitate powerful professional learning. We have identified foundational elements of planning and facilitation and are being folded into our regional and provincial conversations. The work is focused on improving all aspects of resource development, sharing, presenting, and fostering learning that improves practice and enhances outcomes.

Goal 3: Coordinate, broker and act as a referral centre to assist partners to identify available professional development resources.

- The provincial ARPDC resource site is under development to provide an open venue to share & access resources developed by ARPDC AND our education partners across the province.

Goal 4: Deliver professional development based on the identified and emerging needs of educational partners.

- For its second year of the [Orange Shirt Day and Beyond](#) grant, ARPDC honoured Orange Shirt Day 2022 with new pre-recorded supports for schools, including access to an On-Demand and Live Stream/Panel showing of [New Blood](#); an interdisciplinary arts performance that explores reconciliation for grades 7-12 in English as well as subtitled in French. Learning Opportunities for teachers and parents were offered before the event in both English and French. The September 29th Live Stream was followed by an opportunity for students to ask questions to a panel of Elders, Knowledge Keepers, and the playwright. Programming to further support the understanding of key concepts related to the foundational knowledge of the legacy of residential schools is ongoing.
- Curriculum support is at the forefront of the work both in the grade and subjects fully implemented as well as those under the pilot.
- Other priorities such as ELL, Wellness, Social Emotional Learning and elements related to Inclusive Education continue to be supported.

Goal 5: Promote and support the development of professional development leadership capacity.

- ARPDC directors and consultants continue to work side by side with division and school leads, co-planning and delivering learning at the school and division-based learning opportunities and in the discussions at regional advisory meetings.

Goal 6: Provide educational partners with access to professional development at a reasonable cost:

- Sessions by our team are provided at no or minimal cost to division day/school-based work, sessions with outside presenters are subsidized to maintain reasonable price points.

SAPDC REPORT TO CASS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Our team continues to support learning opportunities regionally and open to the province where appropriate in consultation with system and school leaders. The primary focus in September has been on new curriculum implementation and piloting, requests for support for English Language Learners, Wellness & Social Emotional Learning and First Nations Ways of Learning.

Goal 2: Facilitate professional development which supports the effective implementation of curricula, including instruction, assessment and student learning outcomes.

Building on the ARPDC team exploration of Leading Powerful Professional Learning by LeFevre, Timperley, Twyford and Eil (2020) we are focusing on the roots of relationship and being agentic inviting opportunities to build upon division days professional learning opportunities - maximizing access regionally and where possible provincially in our CASSIX and SAPDC Advisory meetings conversations.

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The work supporting the September curriculum-focused school and division PL days was excellent, with regional sessions. Planning continues with a number of divisions for days in October and November. SAPDC team members are actively involved in developing the ARPDC Website New Curriculum section to curate professional learning resources and curriculum-related supports.

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Colony-specific training has taken place in three divisions with 56 colonies between them, we are supporting the Provincial Colony conference in early October and working on reaching out to the regions Colony principals to explore what we anticipate will be a provincial series of sessions aligned with Colony Religious Holidays thus supporting division PD on those days possibly across the province.

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Our advisories are designed to draw division and school leaders into the conversation and work side by side in the development and presentation of learning opportunities.

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Division, and School work on Division and School-based PD days is provided at no cost to our divisions; we understand and work to be worthy of the trust placed in us to use our resources wisely and as economically reasonable as possible. In short, "we're a great deal"

