

These board highlights provide a general overview of discussion items and major decisions made at the Board of Directors meeting on **May 24/25, 2023**, which was held in Salmo, BC. It excludes confidential information such as business negotiations, personnel issues and legal matters.

- The Board approved the 2022/23 Consolidated Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2023. They will be made available as part of the *2022/23 Annual Service Plan Report* at [ourtrust.org/annualreport](https://ourtrust.org/annualreport) when the provincial Public Accounts are released in August.
- The Board approved the draft Mandate Letter which sets out the Province's overarching principles relevant to the public sector and organizational priorities agreed upon by the Province and the Trust. This letter forms the basis of development of the Trust's Service Plan and Annual Service Plan Report.

The Mandate Letter can be viewed at [ourtrust.org/our-relationship-with-the-province](https://ourtrust.org/our-relationship-with-the-province).

- The Board approved the suspension of the COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for the Board following a review of the current guidelines from the Public Health Officer (PHO). The Trust will continue to refer to the PHO when considering any further changes to ensure a safe and healthy workplace for staff and directors.
- In January 2023, the Trust launched the Our Trust, Our Future public engagement process which included 23 Open House/Facilitated Conversations held in-person in communities throughout the Basin in addition to 10 virtual meetings and an online survey.

As part of the public engagement, the Trust will host three symposia to be held in Cranbrook (May 26/27), Trail (June 9/10), and Golden (June 23/24). These events will bring residents together to celebrate the region and discuss the future, with a keynote address from Rick Mercer, noted Canadian comic and television personality.

Learn more about Our Trust, Our Future community engagement at [ourtrust.org/future](https://ourtrust.org/future).

- The following is the 2023 meeting schedule for the Trust Board of Directors:
  - July 21/22                      Fernie
  - September 15/16              Kaslo (Board and Annual General Meeting)
  - November 24/25              Nelson
- Board meeting minutes are posted to the Trust website after they have been approved by the Board at the following meeting. View minutes here: [ourtrust.org/publications](https://ourtrust.org/publications).