



## TAAPCS Executive Director Appointment



With pleasure, *The Association of Alberta Public Charters Schools* announces the appointment of Ms. Kathleen Rhyason to the position of Executive Director effective December 1, 2016.

Kathleen (“Kath”) brings proven leadership. She served as Executive Director for the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS 2008-13) and prior to that as Superintendent of Schools for the Fort McMurray Public School District where she expanded choice programming.

Extensive experience in a variety of roles including teacher, vice principal, principal, associate superintendent, and Senior Education Manager with Alberta Education provided Kath much opportunity to lead a learning community, develop communication skills, build collaborative teams, and foster partnerships.

Kath earned an MA in Educational Administration from Gonzaga University and a B.Ed. from the University of Lethbridge. She also completed coursework towards a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting) and a Certificate in Conflict Resolution from the Arbitration and Mediation Society.

Kath currently enjoys working as a consultant to business and non-profit organizations. Recently she supported a Charter School Board in reviewing and developing policy to better define its governance role. Through this opportunity, she learned much about the important contributions that public charter schools make to the learning system in Alberta. She is committed to supporting TAAPCS in achieving its priorities and continuing the journey towards the Association’s preferred future.

Kath appreciates the efforts of the many volunteers, as well as the previous Executive Directors who created, developed, and positioned TAAPCS to be a voice for Charter Schools in Alberta. She looks forward to working with the learning community of Alberta’s thirteen public charter schools.

On behalf of the Association,  
Dianne McBeth & Yvonne DePeel  
Co-Presidents