

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
GREATER ST. ALBERT ROMAN CATHOLIC
SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 734
HELD on MONDAY, March 20, 2017, 2:00 P.M.
District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue,
St. Albert, AB**

MEMBERS PRESENT Trustees Becigneul, Crockett, McEvoy, Proulx, Radford, Shaw, and Tremblay

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

D. Keohane, superintendent, R. Nixon, assistant superintendent, S. McGuinness, assistant superintendent, D. Schlag, secretary-treasurer

CALL TO ORDER Trustee Shaw called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

IN CAMERA

166/17 Trustee Tremblay: **THAT** the Board of Trustees move In Camera at 2:00 p.m.
CARRIED (7/7)

OUT OF CAMERA

167/17 Trustee Crockett: **THAT** the Board of Trustees move Out of Camera at 3:16 p.m.
CARRIED (7/7)

The Board recessed until 3:30 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER Trustee Proulx offered the Opening Prayer.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Trustee Shaw acknowledged that the Board is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

168/17 Trustee Becigneul: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.
CARRIED (7/7)

PRESENTATION DELEGATION

There were no presentations.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & SUMMARIES

169/17 Trustee McEvoy: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on February 27, 2017 as circulated.
CARRIED (7/7)

170/17 Trustee Tremblay: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the summary of the Board Advocacy Committee Meeting held on March 6, 2017 as circulated.
CARRIED (7/7)

171/17

Trustee Radford: THAT the Board of Trustees approve the committee reports from the Board Advocacy Committee meeting held on March 6, 2017:

9.1 Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association

9.2 Alberta School Boards Association Zone 2/3 Report

CARRIED (7/7)

GOOD NEWS

Trustee Shaw shared the Good News Report.

Trustee McEvoy and **Trustee Shaw** commended SACHS on their production of High School Musical.

Trustee Radford recognized MCHS on the success and packed Coffee House event that raised more than \$1,800 for Development & Peace. It was also mentioned that MCHS was selected as a Super Powering Contest – Staples' finalist which recognizes environmental programs in schools. The school will advance to the second round of judging with the final ten schools selected on April 22, 2017.

Trustee Crockett commented on the success and fun of the Development & Peace Dodgeball Fundraiser at Vital Grandin School that has attracted lots of district staff and community member participation.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

CONSENT ITEMS

Board Policy 10 – Policy Making and Board Policy 15 – School Closure

172/17

Trustee Proulx: THAT the Board of Trustees approve the review of Board Policy 10 – Policy Making and Board Policy 15 – School Closure with no changes.

CARRIED (7/7)

ACTION ITEMS

2018-2021 Capital Plan

173/17

Trustee Radford: THAT the Board of Trustees approve the Three-Year Capital Plan for 2018-2021 with the following two projects and ranked priorities, MCHS (1) and BK (2), with electronic submission to follow on or before the April 1, 2017 submission deadline.

CARRIED (7/7)

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Report from the Chair

Trustee Shaw updated the Board on correspondence which included responses from the Board to questions received at the January 30, 2017 Board meeting. Trustee Shaw reminded Board members about upcoming fall election and encouraged trustees to provide appropriate time for the public to respond.

Report from the Superintendent

Assistant Superintendent McGuinness updated the Board on upcoming field trips planned and those seeking approval. **Secretary-treasurer Schlag** updated the Board on the

provincial budget indicating that it is good news for the district, given no specific reductions were announced. An explanation was provided on how monies for new grants would be calculated in this initial year of implementation of Bill 1.

BOARD COMMITMENTS

174/17 **Trustee McEvoy:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the Board Commitments as presented and updated at this meeting.

CARRIED (7/7)

MOTION TO EXTEND

175/17 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees extend the meeting until 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED (7/7)

CLARIFICATION PERIOD FOR PUBLIC & MEDIA

There were no questions.

TRUSTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Trustee Radford requested information on the school-based fees being charged for 2017-18. Secretary-treasurer Schlag advised that schools are currently submitting specific, detailed information on all school-based fees being considered for 2017-18 and will provide an update once that work is completed and reviewed.

Trustee Radford requested an update on the 40th Anniversary celebration of French Immersion programming in the district.

Trustee Radford requested information on the number of recipients by school, of the George Soetaert Memorial Award during the past six years.

CLOSING PRAYER

Trustee Proulx offered the closing prayer.

IN CAMERA

176/17 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move In Camera at 5:20 p.m.

CARRIED (7/7)

Trustee Tremblay left the meeting at 6:45 p.m. declaring pecuniary interest.

OUT OF CAMERA

177/17 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move Out of Camera at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED (6/6)

ADJOURNMENT

178/17

Trustee McEvoy: **THAT** the Board of Trustees adjourn the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED (6/6)

Secretary Treasurer

Chair



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Committee Report Summary

Board Advocacy Committee Meeting Date: March 6, 2017

Submitted by Trustee: Serena Shaw

Committee/Event Name: ACSTA

Committee Meeting Date & Time: Feb. 3, 2017

Summary of Agenda Items:

Highlights of Items Relevant to GSACRD:

The president thanked Board's for sharing how they celebrated Catholic Education Sunday. This is a great way to share best practice.

ACSTA will be undergoing a rebrand with ACSTA. This work will be taken on largely by the Advocacy committee.

ACSTA will consider intervener status in the Western University case.

Directors are encouraged to attend and promote Spice and Blueprints. Event held in Kananaskis in April.

Continued partnership with Dev and Peace for more resources to help teachers educate on the Gospel call for justice.

Committee assignments for the upcoming year.

The new election poster was shared to be used and distributed. Could we have a insert for parish bulletins about the this?

ACSTA had been successful in their bid to host the CCSTA AGM in 2019.



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Committee Report Summary

Board Advocacy Committee Meeting Date: March 6th, 2017

Submitted by Trustee: Joe Becigneul

Committee/Event Name: ASBA Zone 2/3

Committee Meeting Date & Time: February 24th, 2017 @ 9:30 a.m.

Summary of Agenda Items:

- Standing item—ASBA Issues/Directives for Action
- Chair's Report—Cheryl gave an overview of her Report
- The Zone Financial Report was presented
- By-Election for vacant Edwin Parr Committee member

Highlights of Items Relevant to GSACRD:

The PD session, which normally takes place in the afternoon was moved to the beginning of the morning. All present took part in an indigenous smudging prayer circle, led by a very passionate Elder, Russell Auger. It was a very moving experience, which took almost two hours.

The Zone Financial Report was presented with no changes.

Rebecca Islander from Black Gold School Division was nominated and acclaimed for the Edwin Parr Committee.

Jennifer Tuininga, Zone Director, gave a Synopsis of the ASBA Board of Directors' Meeting. Attached.

The Northlands School Division School Board has been given the go ahead for reinstatement in the October elections to an elected School Board.

There is a "Window of Opportunity" to make changes to the Capital Plan, if necessary, between September 30 and October 14/2017.

Questions re Excellence in Teaching criteria are currently being reviewed.

The Edwin Parr Committee is still looking for a superintendent to oversee the nominations. As participation requires at least two days during a very busy part of the year, no one has as yet stepped forward.

Further Action Recommended to the Board for Consideration: