

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GREATER ST. ALBERT  
ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 734  
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 2013, 6:00 P.M.  
DISTRICT OFFICE  
6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT** Trustees Caron, Crockett, Hansen, McEvoy, Proulx, Radford and Turnbull.

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT**

D. Keohane, superintendent, S. Bayus, deputy superintendent, D. Quick, assistant superintendent, & D. Schlag, secretary-treasurer

**CALL TO ORDER** Trustee McEvoy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**OPENING PRAYER** Trustee Proulx offered the opening prayer.

**IN CAMERA**

195/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move the meeting *In Camera* at 6:02 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**OUT OF CAMERA**

196/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move the meeting *Out Of Camera* at 6:43 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Recess to 7 p.m.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

197/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the agenda with the following amendments:

10.3 Defer item until Trustee Hansen arrives

**CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

198/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on January 21, 2013 as amended (typo at top of pg. 3 10<sup>th</sup> should be 150<sup>th</sup>).

**CARRIED**

**GOOD NEWS**

Trustee McEvoy shared the good news report and the success story of a V.J. Maloney student, Balbina Fernandez De la Cruz. She was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal at a ceremony on January 22nd. Balbina, one of the youngest recipients of the award, has been helping her father collect life-saving firefighting equipment for developing countries in Central America and was recognized for her humanitarian service efforts in raising money for four neonatal incubators that will save countless lives of babies in Chile, Paraguay, Bolivia & Peru.

## QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions.

## ACTION ITEMS

### Transportation Fees

Secretary-Treasurer, D. Schlag presented a range of scenarios for transportation fee schedules for the 2013 – 2014 school year. Discussion among the board suggested that deferring a decision until the provincial budget announcement would allow them to understand the level of grant funding expected.

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**Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees defers the transportation fees recommendation for 2013-2014 to the March 18<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, after the provincial budget is released.

**CARRIED**

### Strategic Plan Development Timelines

200/13

**Trustee Turnbull:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the Strategic Plan and implementation timelines for 2013-2014 as presented.

**CARRIED**

### Financial Support for ASBA District Engagement Pilot

201/13

**Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve financial support of \$10,000 for participation within the ASBA School Jurisdiction Engagement and Marketing Pilot.

**CARRIED**

**Trustee Hansen joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.**

## NEW BUSINESS

### 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Catholic Education in St. Albert

Trustees discussed the approach and timing of celebrations to mark this historic event. It was determined that a sub-committee to engage trustees, administration and the broader community in a plan would be appropriate given the significance of this event.

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**Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees delegate further consideration of this matter to a Board appointed 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration of Education Sub-Committee to consist of Trustee Crockett and Trustee Caron, with alternates as Trustee Turnbull and Hansen, and any other members as required.

**CARRIED**

## ACTION ITEMS

### Ward Structure Review

Secretary-treasurer D. Schlag provided a summary of discussion to date. Trustees discussed the merits of two options that considered a seven member board. The options looked at different reconfigurations for the ward structure that included the addition of the areas of Cardiff and Cunningham. Lengthy debate took place on both options presented as well as some discussion about a previous suggestion of a 5 member board.

Trustee Proulx made the motion **THAT** the Board of Trustees adopt **OPTION 1**, which retains the current 3 Ward

Structure and 7 member board format, adding Cardiff to Morinville and Cunningham to St. Albert, for the BY-LAW 1/13 to provide for the nomination and election of Trustees.

203/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees extend the meeting by one-half hour to 9:30 P.M.

**CARRIED**

Following discussion Trustee Proulx withdrew her motion at 9:15 P.M. Discussion continued with the best means for informing the public about the options in consideration.

204/13 **Trustee Proulx:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees direct administration to provide a one page information sheet to inform parents, by the end of this week, about the two Ward Options being discussed.

**6 in FAVOR; 1 OPPOSED – CARRIED**

Further discussion on the potential By-Law continued.

205/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees extend the meeting by one-half hour to 10:00 P.M.

**CARRIED**

206/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees adopt OPTION 2, which reconfigures the current 3 Ward Structure to a 2 Ward Structure, combining Morinville & Legal, and retains a 7 member board in a new format (5 in St. Albert & 2 in Morinville/Legal), adding Cardiff to Morinville/Legal and Cunningham to St. Albert, for the BY-LAW 1/13 to provide for the nomination and election of Trustees.

**4 in FAVOR; 3 OPPOSED (Proulx, Radford, Turnbull) – CARRIED**

207/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees hold a Special Meeting of the Board on Tuesday, February 26, 2013, in the Boardroom at District Office to begin at 7:30 PM for the purpose of addressing the WARD BY-LAW.

**4 in FAVOR; 3 OPPOSED (Proulx, Radford, Turnbull) – CARRIED**

208/13 **Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees read for the first time at today's meeting, the proposed Bylaw 1/13 to provide for the nomination and election of trustees.

**4 in FAVOR; 3 OPPOSED (Proulx, Radford, Turnbull) – CARRIED**

**FIRST READING of Bylaw 1/13 was completed by the secretary treasurer and is attached to the minutes.**

#### **NOTICE of MOTION**

**Trustee Caron provided verbal notice of motion for Bylaw 1/13 of the Greater St. Albert RCSSD No. 734, to provide for the nomination and election of trustees, will be read for a second and third time, at the Special meeting of the Board to be held on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013.**

According to Board Policy 7, the notice of motion serves the purpose of officially putting an item on the agenda of the next or future regular meeting and gives notice to all trustees of the item to be discussed. **A notice of motion is not debatable and may not be voted on.**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Report from the Chair**

Trustee McEvoy shared a brief update on activities.

**Report from the Superintendent**

Deputy Superintendent, S. Bayus shared the Field Trip Activity Report.

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**Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees receive the superintendent’s report as information.

**CARRIED**

**TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Trustee McEvoy provided written reports from the St. Albert Business community and the recent Linkages meeting.

**BOARD COMMITMENTS**

210/13

**Trustee Caron:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the board commitments as presented and updated at this meeting.

**CARRIED**

**QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC & MEDIA CLARIFICATION**

There were no questions.

**TRUSTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

Trustee Turnbull requested information on plans for a celebration event for the Notre Dame expansion and an on the school sign and replacement plans.

**CLOSING PRAYER**

**Trustee Proulx** offered the closing prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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**Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees adjourn the regular meeting at 10:04 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Secretary Treasurer

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Chair