

**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 18, 2013, 6:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE
6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB**

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

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT
D. Keohane, superintendent, S. Bayus, deputy superintendent, & D. Schlag, secretary-treasurer

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT
D. Quick, assistant superintendent.

CALL TO ORDER Trustee McEvoy called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER Trustee Radford offered the opening prayer.

IN CAMERA
255/13 **Trustee Crockett: THAT** the Board of Trustees move In Camera at 6:14 p.m.
CARRIED (4/4)

Trustee Proulx joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m.
Trustee Hansen joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

OUT OF CAMERA
256/13 **Trustee Radford: THAT** the Board of Trustees move Out of Camera at 6:58 p.m.
CARRIED (6/6)

The BOARD recessed to 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
257/13 **Trustee Crockett: THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.
CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

258/13

Trustee Radford: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on March 4, 2013 as circulated.

CARRIED

GOOD NEWS

Trustee McEvoy shared the good news report highlighting the St. Albert Catholic High drama club production of The Trojan Woman and the success of the students in the culinary skills competition that represented the school at a recent competition.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from the public.

CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

ACTION ITEMS

Transportation Fees 2013-2014

Secretary-treasurer Schlag presented eight different scenarios for consideration with varying increases to transportation fees. She stressed the Board's priority of a balanced budget position, focusing on scenario 8 as the only viable option to achieve that end. Following motion 163/12, passed at the December 17, 2012 meeting, fees approved tonight will apply to students in grades K-12. The board discussed the importance of looking at scenarios that would allow the district to recover all costs.

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Trustee Crockett: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approves the transportation fee schedule for 2013-2014 as outlined in Scenario 8. The rider application/fee submission deadline will be June 1, 2013. Applications and fees received after June 1, 2013 will be subject to a \$10 surcharge above 2013-14 approved rates, unless NEW to the District.

CARRIED (4 in favor, 2 opposed: Proulx, Radford)

2013 Strategic Priority Report

Superintendent Keohane presented a summary of the recent

planning session of the Board, held at the Metterra Hotel in Edmonton on March 1-2, 2013. Approval of this report creates the direction to administration to develop the Strategic Plan for 2013-2014.

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Trustee Proulx: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the 2013 Strategic Priority Report as presented, resulting from the work conducted at the March 1-2, 2013 Planning Session.

CARRIED

INFORMATION ITEMS

Report from the Chair

Trustee McEvoy shared correspondence, circulated information material from Alberta School Boards Association on becoming a school trustee, and provided an update on the ACSTA Spring Conference in Canmore, AB, which was attended by Trustees McEvoy & Crockett, as well as superintendent Keohane.

Report from the Superintendent

Secretary-treasurer Schlag provided a quarterly update on the 2012-13 expenditures as compared to budget, indicating that most district expenses are on target at this time. The budget update also reflects the elimination of the AISI grant funding effective April 1, 2013.

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Trustee Caron: **THAT** the Board of Trustees receive the superintendent's report as information.

CARRIED

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Caron provided a verbal update from the recent St. Albert Economic Development Advisory Committee indicating the committee membership and representation is being reviewed along with the mandate. It was also mentioned that NABI will be looking at doing a boot camp for high school students.

BOARD COMMITMENTS

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

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC & MEDIA CLARIFICATION

The following two questions were posed by Sean Brown, ATA Local #23 President:

1. While ASBA has not yet decided if they will be supporting the Framework Agreement, and understanding the short time that all of this has come about, has the Board decided when they will be making a decision on accepting or rejecting the Framework Agreement?
2. Given that both Edmonton Public and Edmonton Catholic Schools have made initial statements on the Framework Agreement, does the Board have their own reaction?

Board Chair McEvoy responded that the Board has not yet decided and were still digesting the information received. She indicated that the Board would get back to him with their response.

TRUSTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

There were no requests for information.

IN CAMERA

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Trustee Proulx: **THAT** the Board of Trustees move the meeting In Camera at 8:18 p.m.

CARRIED

OUT OF CAMERA

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Trustee Proulx: **THAT** the Board of Trustees move the meeting Out of Camera at 9:09 p.m.

CARRIED

CLOSING PRAYER

Trustee Radford offered the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

265/13

Trustee Crockett: **THAT** the Board of Trustees adjourn the regular meeting at 9:12 p.m.

CARRIED

Secretary Treasurer

Chair