



# BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

Chair: Serena Shaw | Vice-Chair: Rosaleen McEvoy

Trustees: Joe Becigneul | Joan Crockett | Cathy Proulx | Noreen Radford | René Tremblay

## ***THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES***

Meeting was held at the District Office, on Monday, June 12, 2017.

### ***GOOD NEWS***

#### **School News**

- The **Bertha Kennedy School** community have been tracking their kilometres on Walking Wednesdays since the start of the school year. Collectively, they have walked over 10 000 kilometres, almost the distance between St. Albert and Tacloban in the Philippines. Their mileage count has included the distance from their Running Club, Run Wild Team, and the Wrestling Club. The project supports their healthy school initiative, as well as, encourage participation in the fundraising for Pope Francis School. The entire school community walked the perimeter of the playground (approx. 1 kilometer) to accumulate the final 300 kilometers. Congratulations to the school and all participants for reaching this lofty goal!
- At the Skills Canada National Competitions held in Winnipeg, **SACHS student, Chantelle Watson** had the honor of representing St. Albert and the province on Team Alberta. The event involved more than 550 youth from across Canada who displayed their skill and talent on the national stage. Chantelle's hard work and passion earned her a 4th place standing in hairstyling and the well-deserved title as the best young talent in Canada. Chantelle certainly needs no medal to define her moral character as a passionate, talented and inspiring young woman with a bright future ahead. Congratulations Chantelle!
- The Canada 150th birthday celebrations at **École Notre Dame** were a big hit and the "best day ever" according to staff and students! Thank you Running Thunder Dancers for engaging students with dance and music! Everyone learned more about Canada's rich history and the customs and culture of our Indigenous People. Special thanks to the Parent Fundraising Association (PFA) for sponsoring the event and Melissa dePape for the photography that captured the day's events.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Anderson and the **Vital Grandin Senior Choir** for their amazing accomplishment this year! The choir participated in the St. Albert Rotary Music Festival and advanced to the Provincial competition at the Kiwanis Music Festival in Edmonton. They took second place, in a festival featuring some amazing choirs from across the province. This is a testament to the commitment and dedication by Mrs. Anderson and her choristers on a job well done!
- **St. Albert Catholic High School's** Drama Production, Vimy received the top Cappie award, Best Overall Play and additional awards in the following categories:
  - Outstanding Ensemble in a Play- Greg Parth, Ethan Kidney, Kelton Libich and Ben Kuchera
  - Outstanding Stage Management and Crew-Sarah Jackson, Allysha Gabat, Maggie Kelly and Crew
  - Outstanding Achievement in Lighting-Jarrold SokulCongratulations to all Cast and Crew for this outstanding result and recognition!

### ***ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS***

- The Board reviewed and updated Policy 19 - Acknowledging Territories of Indigenous Communities at District Events.
- The Board approved Guiding Principles that will inform any decisions made on boundaries and programming, for the 2017-2018 Public Consultation Process for St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy in Morinville
- The Board updated and approved Locally Developed Courses including Competencies in Math 15, Film and Media Art 15-25-35 and Indigenous Studies 35. The Indigenous Studies 35 course will be eligible for dual-credit.
- As part of the budget cycle, the Board approved the 2017-2018 Principles for the Basis of Allocations to Schools which includes maintaining class sizes at current levels and updating the principles to align with the two new Regulations on School Fees & School Transportation.

### ***SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT***

- Assistant superintendent McGuinness updated the Board on the Field Trip Report. It was discussed the changing nature of International travel.
- Assistant superintendent Nixon updated the Board on the District's plans to implement a Nutrition Pilot based on recent grant funds from the province. The Nutrition Pilot will involve three schools (École Notre Dame, G.H. Primeau and Legal) that do not currently receive support. Community partners currently provide support to St. Albert Schools.

### ***UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD***

- The Board will be approving School Fee Schedules for 2017-2018.
- The Board will be amending Policy 2 - Role of the Board, by adding a section on Fees.
- The Board will be reviewing and approving the 2017-2018 Budget for submission to the province by the end of June.

The last regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the school year is scheduled for

**Monday, June 26, 2017**

3:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

**PUBLIC WELCOME at ALL of the above MEETINGS**