

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
GREATER ST. ALBERT ROMAN CATHOLIC  
SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 734  
HELD on MONDAY, May 29, 2017, 2:00 P.M.  
District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue,  
St. Albert, AB**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT** Trustees Becigneul, Crockett, Radford, Shaw, and Tremblay

**MEMBERS ABSENT** Trustees McEvoy, Proulx

**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**

234/17 **Trustee Becigneul:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move In Camera at 2:01 p.m.

**CARRIED (5/5)**

**OUT OF CAMERA**

235/17 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move Out of Camera at 3:16 p.m.

**CARRIED (5/5)**

**The Board recessed until 3:30 p.m.**

**OPENING PRAYER** **Trustee Crockett** 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**

236/17 **Trustee Becigneul:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED (5/5)**

**PRESENTATION DELEGATION**

**Alberta School Councils' Association School Council Parent of Distinction Award Presentation**

Alberta School Councils' Association Executive Director, Jacquie Hansen presented the Parent of Distinction Award to Loreen Gomes, Chair of the R.S. Fowler School Council who has been an exceptional volunteer at a number of the District schools. The Board congratulated Mrs. Gomes for her involvement and support of the District schools.

**Staff Recognition: Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta Excellence in Catholic Education Award Recipient**

Superintendent Keohane presented Carmen Hills, teacher at École Notre Dame with recognition and an acknowledgement from the District for her success in being selected as a recipient of the CCSSA Excellence in Catholic Education Award.

**The Board recessed from 3:48 until 4:10 p.m. to enjoy fellowship and cake with the award recipients and their guests.**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES & SUMMARIES**

237/17 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on May 15, 2017 as circulated.  
**CARRIED (5/5)**

#### **GOOD NEWS**

**Trustee Shaw** shared the Good News Report.

**Trustee Radford** commended GHP on their performance of Willy Wonka which was outstanding recognizing the staff who led and supported the production.

**Trustee Becigneul** commented on the significant representation of students across the District being recognized for their volunteer contributions at the recent St. Albert Volunteer Awards celebrations.

**Trustee Crockett** commented on the SACHS graduate ceremony and the number of graduates that continues to increase.

#### **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**Review of Board Policy 11 - Board Delegation of Authority and Board Policy 21 – Staff Recruitment and Selection.**

238/17 **Trustee Becigneul:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the review of Board Policy 11 - Board Delegation of Authority and Board Policy 21 – Staff Recruitment and Selection with no changes.  
**CARRIED (4 in favor, 1 opposed: Radford)**

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

##### **2017-2018 Strategic Plan**

**Superintendent Keohane** updated the Board on the 2017/18 Strategic Plan and the process to establish plan priorities.

239/17 **Trustee Crockett:** **THAT the Board of Trustees** approve the 2017 - 2018 Board Strategic Plan as presented.  
**CARRIED (5/5)**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Alberta School Boards Association and Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association Award Nominations**

**Secretary-treasurer Schlag** updated the Board on the timelines and criteria for nominations.

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**Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees establish an Ad-Hoc Committee made up of three trustees for the purpose of bringing nominations for ASBA and ASCTA awards back to the Board by the June 26, 2017 Regular Meeting.

**CARRIED (5/5)**

### **Aboriginal Day Celebration – District Pipe Day Ceremony**

**Assistant superintendent Nixon** updated the Board on an initiative by the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Committee to host a pipe ceremony to celebrate National Aboriginal Day on June 21, 2017. The event will take place on the grounds north of the St. Albert Parish Grotto from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a light lunch will follow the ceremony. Protocols surrounding the ceremony were shared with trustees.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Report from the Chair**

There was no report from the Chair. Correspondence included the response to Questions from the Public posed at the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Regular Meeting. The letter was mentioned and confirmed sent.

### **Report from the Superintendent**

**Superintendent Keohane** shared the May update for the Accountability Pillar Report which reflects satisfaction survey data collected by the province. The District's performance in providing safe and caring schools and a quality education rate among the highest in the province. In addition, high school completion rates, transition to post-secondary and eligibility for Rutherford Scholarships are all noted as excellent. First Nations, Métis, and Inuit student results also demonstrate success when compared within the District and provincially.

## **MOTION TO EXTEND**

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**Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees extend the meeting until 7:00 p.m.

**CARRIED (5/5)**

**Superintendent Keohane** updated the Board on staff engagement levels across the District. This included a discussion around the Gallup Q12 results and factors that contribute to high levels of engagement and continuous growth over time. **Assistant superintendent McGuinness** updated the Board on how the results are being used internally.

**Assistant superintendent Nixon** updated the Board on key strategies under the leadership of the District Religious Education Consultant, Colin Loiselle to achieve the Faith and Spiritual outcomes. The work of many of the District schools was highlighted and their specific and collective initiatives.

**Secretary-treasurer Schlag** highlighted the Alberta School Employee Benefits Plan Annual Report, noting the increased emphasis on mental health support and the improved financial position of the organization.

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

