



# Board Meeting Summary

Chair: Serena Shaw | Vice-Chair: René Tremblay

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***THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES*** was held at the District Office, on Monday, November 27, 2017.

## ***GOOD NEWS***

### **District News**

- Thank you to all staff and students who participated in **Catholic Education Sunday** celebrations at their local parish. The celebrations were timely and well received by all those attending Mass during the first weekend in November.

### **School News**

- **G.H. Primeau** was honored with an award and recognition from the Morinville Fire Department for the schools diligence in having the best and most efficient evacuation procedures. Congratulations to all staff for their part in receiving this honor and for ensuring a safe and caring environment in the school.
- **J.J. Nearing School** community will now experience all the benefits of having dedicated spaces and resources for their newly designed and completed fitness and makerspace areas.
- **Legal School** is excited to announce that a daycare facility will be opening in the school in February 2018. This will provided added convenience for families in the community and those attending the school. In addition, the school will be offering dynamic options between January and March to provide a variety of experiences for students. This will include a hockey option and STEM options to name a few.
- The **SACHS Junior Boys Volleyball** team celebrated an undefeated season going into the finals and took home the silver medal. Congratulations to all players and coaches!
- **École Notre Dame** offered their grade 3 and 4 students the opportunity to try out for a Cheer Team and received overwhelming response. In total, 100 students showed up and a 30-student squad was selected with the remaining students forming a Spirit Team to allow them to participate.
- The elementary volleyball season concluded with a tournament hosted at **Bertha Kennedy School**. Many thanks to the staff at the school for hosting the tournament and to all participants from a number of our elementary schools.
- The first winners of the "JE PARLE FRANÇAIS" initiative at **École Father Jan** were awarded a lunch of poutine, fruit, juice and cookies. They celebrated their achievement at District Office. Félicitations

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

- The Board approved the policy review of Board Policy 3 – Role of the Trustee with no changes.
- The Board approved the Audited & Unaudited Financial Statements. Secretary-treasurer Schlag highlighted the process and procedure that is followed. An overview of the financial position of the district was presented, along with the statement of operations which highlighted a small surplus position of \$105,510).
- The Board received an update on the current year financial position including a projected year-end deficit position based on first quarter figures.
- Superintendent Keohane presented the **Combined 2016-2017 Annual Education Results Report and 2017-2020 Three-Year Education Plan**. It was highlighted that the value of public sector work is about whether or not you deliver on the Mission of the organization. He reviewed how the district did with respect to prescribed government measures and what the focus for the future is. Legislative documents that guide reporting were noted, and all of the district plans and reports that are inputs into the plan. This includes how the Catholic faith furthers the governments' mandate. Evidence of reaching goals were explained and the significance of each. Our administrators are focused on steadily strengthening their instructional leadership through their study of Fillna and Quin's (2016) Coherence, which will contribute to reaching further education plan goals.

## ***NEW BUSINESS***

- The Board of Trustees approved the establishment of a board directed committee to review all elements of the governance budget for 2018-19, with a goal to sharing the results by end of March 2018.

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

- **Superintendent Keohane** provided reports and information on:
  - Transportation and Early Dismissal in Schools
  - Distribution of Information for the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Consultation
  - Remembrance Day Wreaths
  - Board Planning Session Date

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

- Trustees will also begin the consultation process for St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy on November 30, 2017 with an Open House in Morinville and host an online survey until December 14, 2017 to gather input on programming and attendance boundaries.

The Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for

**Monday, December 4, 2017**

7 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

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

**Monday, December 18, 2017**

at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

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