

**SUMMARY OF THE BOARD COMMITTEE of the WHOLE MEETING OF  
GREATER ST. ALBERT RCSSD NO. 734  
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Trustees Becigneul, Crockett, Proulx, Radford, Schell, Shaw, and Tremblay

**ADMINISTRATION PRESENT**

D Keohane, superintendent; D Schlag, secretary-treasurer; R Nixon, assistant superintendent

**CALL TO ORDER**

Trustee Schell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Trustee Shaw offered the opening prayer, which included a Lenten Activity of washing feet.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TERRITORIES**

Trustee Schell acknowledged that the Greater St. Albert Catholic School Board is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. Kinanâskomitin Manito (Thank you Creator).

**POLICY REVIEW FRAMEWORK**

Trustees reviewed Board Policy 1 – District Mission Statement, Values and Beliefs, Statement of Philosophy, Goals and Objectives, along with AP 359 – Safe and Caring Learning Environments. Trustees discussed the proposed changes and agreed to move forward with them at the March 19 Regular Meeting. Policy 10 – Policy Making, and Policy 15 – School Closure were discussed and agreed upon with no further changes. All three policies will move to the Regular meeting on March 19, 2018 for approval.

**CLASS SIZE MESSAGING**

Trustees were provided with messaging that would help explain how class size is handled at various stages from Government to classroom. There was discussion and time for Q & A.

**REMUNERATION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

A Committee Meeting with Trustees Becigneul, Proulx, and Tremblay and the Secretary-Treasurer was held on February 7, 2018, where they reviewed & confirmed goals – as follows:

1. Review current Remuneration for Trustees
  2. Review current Budget for Trustees
    - Confirm any area of inadequacy and develop a recommendation for the Board's consideration
- The committee advised they were bringing forward two (2) recommendations to the March 19, 2018 Regular Meeting and explained the rationale to Trustees. The Committee asked for guidance on any changes to accounting for Special Meetings and/or luncheons where other elected officials may also be present. The consensus was to leave as is for now but to add clarity to events by adding a column to the Board Commitments which would indicate if Per Diems would be charged to the General Account (G) or the Trustee Account (T).

**2018-2019 BOARD MEETING CALENDAR DATES**

Trustees were presented with two (2) options for consideration; one with meetings on Mondays, and the other with meetings on Wednesdays. The consensus was to pursue the meeting calendar based on Mondays without a Committee of the Whole meeting in December. This will be forwarded to the Organizational Meeting on September 10, 2018 for approval.

**REVIEW OF INCLUSIVE EDUCATION & MENTAL HEALTH ACCESS**

Trustees were provided with an Index Card that stressed the important challenges and opportunities of Mental Health access by students. Trustees liked that this tool could be used with MLA's for advocacy purposes.

**ASBA FGM POLICY STATEMENT – MENTAL HEALTH**

Following the last discussion, Trustees were provided with a Policy Statement in the format required by ASBA and would continue to look for one or more seconders to support the position that will be presented by the Board at the ASBA Fall General Meeting that is of great concern in the Capital Region and throughout the Province.

**TRUSTEE COMMITTEE & SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORTS**

Trustee Crockett provided a written report from her attendance at the St. Albert Chamber of Commerce Meeting on February 14, 2018 and Trustee Becigneul provided a written report from his attendance at the Zone 2/3 Meeting on February 23, 2018. Trustees verbally shared information from their attendance

at School Council meetings and discussed various activities at the schools.

**FIRST NATIONS, METIS, and INUIT ACTIVITY**

Trustees reviewed the Education for Reconciliation March Update, which is available on the District website. Assistant Superintendent Nixon shared a short exercise with Trustees, providing some assistance on understanding the foundational concepts around treaties.

Trustee Shaw offered the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

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Meeting chaired by Trustee Schell