

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES was held at the District Office, on Monday, October 29, 2018.

## GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to **Helen Cyr, Teacher at J.J. Nearing** for receiving the Rotary Teacher of the Month Award. Principal, Gina Anstruther who attended the event commented that "*Mrs. Cyr is very deserving of this recognition and our school community is blessed to have her on staff.*"

The **Bertha Kennedy Healthy BobKat Leadership Team** of 2017-18 received a St. Albert Leaders of Tomorrow Award in the age 6-12 category at the Mayor's Annual Celebration of Volunteers this past month. Congratulations to all of the staff and students involved!

**G.H. Primeau School** offers a choice program for their religion classes and this year the classes are seeing a 50% increase in the number of students participating. This is also a reflection of the teaching staff who are making their classes engaging for students.

Grade twelve student, **Katherine Szojka at St. Gabriel High School** has landed herself an Internship to write for The Catholic Register, a national column that highlights stories of Catholic people, places and events – the national newspaper based in Toronto and her first column will be in November. Congratulations Katherine!

Staff at **G.H. Primeau** held a retreat day last month and attended the Uplift Day of Mercy at Catholic Social Services. They were able to gather up and sort the donations they collected and the staff experience was so great they are going to make this an annual event.

The enrolment at **St. Gabriel High School** when compared to this same time last year is up more than 60%. The high school offers a flexible learning environment for those completing coursework and /or working towards high school graduation.

Athletes at **R.S. Fowler School** are enjoying a successful volleyball season. At the recent SAPEC tournament the senior girls took home the gold and the senior boys the bronze medal. Congratulations to all athletes and their coaches for this great start to the school year!

**École Father Jan** wishes to thank all of their stewards of EFJ Parent Council, Friends of Father Jan, parents, teachers and students who used their gifts of time and talent to make their Outdoor Classroom happen!

## ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS:

The Board approved the Policy Review Schedule which included the review and approval of policies 1 (District Mission Statement, Values and Beliefs, Statement of Philosophy, Goals and Objectives), 2 (Role of the Board) and 3 (Role of the Superintendent).

The Board Monitoring Calendar, Board Advocacy Plan, Communication Plan Highlights and this year's School Liaison Appointments all received approved.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Information updates from administration provided included the following:

- Gallup Student Poll Information
- Long Service Awards Update
- October 2018 Accountability Pillar Reports
- 2017-2018 Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination Results
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Report
- St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy Grade Configurations and Program Focus
- Cannabis Legalization Update
- Enrolment & Staffing Report

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

Trustees will be attending the Annual General Meetings for the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association and the Alberta School Boards Association of Alberta.

Trustees will also be involved in audit meetings to close our the 2017 – 2018 fiscal year end.

The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, November 5, 2018 7:00 p.m.** at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Monday, November 26, 2018 3:30 p.m.** at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

**PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND BOTH MEETINGS**