

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GREATER ST. ALBERT
ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 734
HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2013, 6:00 P.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE
6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB**

MEMBERS PRESENT Trustees Hansen, McEvoy, Proulx, Radford, and Turnbull

MEMBERS ABSENT Trustees Caron, Crockett

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

D. Keohane, superintendent, S. Bayus, deputy superintendent, D. Quick, assistant superintendent, & D. Schlag, secretary-treasurer

CALL TO ORDER Trustee McEvoy called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER Trustee Radford offered the opening prayer.

IN CAMERA

172/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** THAT the Board of Trustees move the meeting *In Camera* at 6:10 p.m.

CARRIED

OUT OF CAMERA

173/13 **Trustee Radford:** THAT the Board of Trustees move the meeting *Out Of Camera* at 7:00 p.m.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

174/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** THAT the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

175/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** THAT the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on December 17, 2012 as circulated.

CARRIED

GOOD NEWS

Trustee McEvoy shared the Good News Report and Trustee Turnbull commended Notre Dame's success with their "Pennies From Heaven" campaign. In addition, Trustee Hansen noted that ASBA is hosting sessions for those interested in running as a trustee called "Campaign School".

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A question was raised by a public member as to the status of the Board's position on the Bike Trail Park Proposal and the consultation efforts made by the City of St. Albert to engage the school district. The Board confirmed that while they were not opposed to a Bike Skills Park in principle, they were strongly opposed to Seven Hills as a potential location.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

NEW BUSINESS

Ward Structure Review

Secretary-treasurer D. Schlag shared a package of information gathered to provide existing information around the current ward structure and options for new configurations that would accommodate either 7 or 5 board members. The information also presented the need to address representation of the newly added districts of Cardiff and Cunningham, resulting from the St. Albert and Sturgeon Valley School District Establishment Act effective July 1, 2012. Discussion among trustees centered around the need for a structure that would ensure representation of the existing population and that smaller areas, like Legal retained a voice at the board table. This also included discussion around the merits of having wards with dedicated trustees vs. wards being represented by more than one trustee. Further information was requested and the discussion will continue in the following weeks with a final recommendation targeted for early February 2013.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Report from the Chair

Trustee McEvoy shared correspondence with Trustees included several accolades from the City of St. Albert on the outstanding results the district's staff and students are experiencing.

Report from the Superintendent

Assistant superintendent, D. Quick provided an update on the district Special Education Programming highlighting the districts leadership in providing inclusive education. In addition, the new model for funding inclusive education was shared. Preliminary enrolment projections were shared by secretary-treasurer D. Schlag indicating that stable enrolments are expected. The projections will be updated to include school input.

176/13

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

CARRIED

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Hansen provided a written report on the recent St. Albert Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting and Trustee Radford provided a school council update on her attendance at École Notre Dame Elementary School and their interest in additional programming opportunities.

BOARD COMMITMENTS

177/13

Trustee Proulx: THAT the Board of Trustees approve the board commitments as presented and updated at this meeting.

CARRIED

QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC & MEDIA CLARIFICATION

There were no questions.

TRUSTEE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

There were no requests for information.

MEETING EXTENSION

178/13 **Trustee Proulx:** THAT the Board of Trustees extend the meeting by up to 30 minutes to 9:30 p.m., if necessary.
CARRIED

IN CAMERA

179/13 **Trustee Turnbull:** THAT the Board of Trustees move the meeting *In Camera* at 8:55 p.m.
CARRIED

OUT OF CAMERA

180/13 **Trustee Radford:** THAT the Board of Trustees move the meeting *Out of Camera* at 9:10 p.m.
CARRIED

CLOSING PRAYER

Trustee Radford offered the closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

181/13 **Trustee Hansen:** THAT the Board of Trustees adjourn the regular meeting at 9:12 p.m.
CARRIED

Secretary Treasurer

Chair