

# BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

Chair: Serena Shaw | Vice-Chair: Rosaleen McEvoy Trustees: Joe Becigneul | Joan Crockett | Cathy Proulx | Noreen Radford | René Tremblay

#### *THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES* Meeting was held at the District Office, on Monday, November 28, 2016.

### GOOD NEWS

- **ESSMY** Rotary Exchange student, Sam Warawa will be sharing his experiences studying in Thailand for the past year with his school community. This initiative to study overseas was in conjunction with the Rotary Interact Club.
- SEARCH (Catholic youth group) made use of **ESSMY** School facilities for their recent retreat. A group of 100 students attended and deepened their relationship with our Lord. It was a huge success! In addition, staff at the school are planning their upcoming retreat with leader, Father Kristopher Schmidt. He is a former **ESSMY** grad. The retreat will conclude with the first mass celebrated in the school chapel.
- Irene Szmihelsky, teacher at **J.J. Nearing School** was recognized this month in the University of Alberta's Faculty of Education, Illuminate publication for her commitment to lifelong learning. She recently completed her master of education degree and commented in the article "*For me to go to convocation, the ceremony isn't the important part. The achievement, the journey I was on is far more significant.*"
- Congratulations to our **Morinville Schools** for their success in taking home the "Best in Class Award" for their float submission in the recent Light Up the Night Parade!

#### Athletic News

- Legal School senior boys' volleyball team took home the Championship Banner in their league and the girls' team won silver! Congratulations to all players and coaches.
- Tanner Doll, **SACHS Alumni**, who plays for the Ottawa RedBlacks was in the lineup for the Grey Cup this past Sunday. Congratulations!

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

• The Board reviewed and approved the release of the Audited Financial Statements for the 2015-2016 School Year, and received the 2016-2017 Fall Update Budget as information. Trustee Crockett commented that the feedback received on the audit was very good; "*a very clean audit and the excellent cooperation that the auditors received from management and staff involved in the audit process.*"

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

• Superintendent, D. Keohane presented to the Board, the Combined 2015-2016 Annual Education Results Report & 2016-2019 Three Year Education Plan highlighting the many successes across the District with a focus on: system priorities, outstanding student achievement, growth opportunities and the significance of the faith mandate to District success. The full report can be viewed on the District website under <u>"About Us"</u>, Plans and Reports.

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

- The Board will be reviewing their Advocacy Plans for the year.
- The Board will be attending selected School Results Reviews (MCHS, GHP, AL, ESSMY, and St. Gabriel) in early December to learn about successes and educational plans. The Board ensures each District school is visited within the three year cycle of review.

The next Advocacy Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2016 7:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2016 3:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB

## PUBLIC WELCOME at ALL of the above MEETINGS