



# 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, January 17, 2017.

### ***GOOD NEWS***

- There was overwhelming response to the parent session the District hosted on January 17, 2017 at ESSMY on the topic of Parenting Youth in a Stressful World. Dr. Stan Kutcher who is the presenter of the session is a renowned Psychologist and leading expert on Youth Mental Health and Wellness. He is a Professor at Dalhousie University and the District was blessed to have this opportunity.
- Several Board members were witness to the impact of the District initiative on supporting those imprisoned during a recent visit to the Remand Center. The practice of decorating and providing Christmas bags to inmates is making a difference and thank you to all the schools, students and families supporting this initiative which is aligned with Catholic teachings.
- The generosity and creativity of **St. Albert Catholic High School students** was shared during the holiday season as Christmas spirit was evident at Sturgeon Community Hospital. Art students illustrated and donated 100 stockings to the hospital's labour and delivery unit. "*We have such great community support,*" says Betty-Lynn Zukewich, volunteer coordinator for the hospital. "*Being able to present new parents with a stocking for their baby makes a memorable moment, not just for them but, for our staff, too.*" Thank you to all of the SACHS students for sharing their gifts and talents with others.

### ***ACTION ITEMS***

- The Board approved policies regarding Board committees and representation on those committees.

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

Superintendent Keohane provided an update on the completion of the School Results Review and highlights from the school plans. Individual School Results Reviews are shared at School Council meetings.

Assistant Superintendent Nixon provided the Board with an overview of the Inclusive Education program in the District and the alignment with the Three-Year Education Plan. Associate superintendent Brochu highlighted the work of the Student Services Team in effectively addressing needs during the early years using a Universal Pyramid of Supports model. Information was also provided on how the team supports school staff in providing differentiated instruction and appropriate and flexible spaces for it.

**Superintendent Keohane** provided an update on the upcoming ThoughtExchange process that will engage all communities in a discussion around student learning needs, programming and school improvement.

***UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD***

- The Board will be receiving the feedback gathered through the Sister Alphonse Academy Phase 1 consultation for the January 30, 2017 Board Meeting.
- The Board is seeking feedback from staff, students and parents through an online forum (ThoughtExchange) on student learning, programming and improvement opportunities beginning January 27, 2017.

The next Advocacy Meeting of the Board of Trustees scheduled for  
**Monday, February 6, 2017.**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for  
**Monday, February 13, 2017**  
**3:30 p.m.** at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB

**PUBLIC WELCOME at ALL of the above MEETINGS**