



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, March 20, 2017.

GOOD NEWS

- Congratulations to **Marianne Khoury**, grade 10 student at **SACHS** who was awarded a \$2000 scholarship to Campus Saint-Jean after participating in a national writing contest.
The contest, held by French for the Future - Le français pour l'avenir, required participants to write a letter to themselves in ten years. Marianne's letter talked about her life experience and recent move to Canada. Students nationally participated in the contest, two of them from **SACHS (Marianne Khoury and Christiane Bilodeau)**.
- The District is pleased that more than 3,000 participants took part in this year's ThoughtExchange and the student voice in the process was significant and critically important. Results are being compiled and will be shared publicly.

School News

- Congratulations to **Jack McDougall, SACHS** student who is the 2016/2017 Provincial High School Wrestling Champion! He will be heading to National's; we are cheering!
- **École Marie Poburan** received a \$2,600 environmental grant from the City of St. Albert to expand their school garden. Last year they harvested 84 lbs of fresh produce donated to the St. Albert Foodbank during Thanksgiving!
- **École Father Jan** was pleased to host a Mime Festival last month for two weeks with the support of Rooney & Punyi Productions, thorough an Artist's in Residence Program that was enjoyed by all.
- **SACHS Drama Team** put on a fantastic production of **High School Musical** at the Arden Theatre. Congratulations to all those who participated.
- **École Notre Dame School** Community has been busy collecting socks for Hope Mission and have received 686 pairs in total!
- **Bertha Kennedy School and Community** celebrated their namesakes 108th birthday to honor the legacy of Bertha Kennedy who would often bring cookies to school to celebrate. Her granddaughters are now carrying on the tradition as they delivered to students and staff cookies to honor their late grandmother!
- The Tier 1 SAPEC Girls' Basketball Champion Banner went to **R.S. Fowler** this season. The final game was against **V.J. Maloney** highlighting the success and depth of talent in our junior high athletics. Congratulations to the teams and their coaches for a fabulous season!

- The **Bertha Kennedy Wrestling Team** will be heading to Cochrane to compete in the provincial championship. Their coach, **Scott Johnston** has been awarded Coach of the Year! Congratulations!
- **MCHS** was selected as a finalist in Staples' Super Powering Contest, recognizing environmental programs in schools. They will advance to the second round of judging with the final ten schools selected on April 22, 2017.

Development & Peace Initiatives

Schools continue to raise funds in support of building of Pope Francis School in Tacloban City in the Philippines. The area was devastated by Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013.

- **J.J. Nearing** was pleased to pass along \$1,700 from their recent fundraisers.
- **G.H. Primeau** held a fabulous Box Lunch Social & a Pie-Throwing Contest!
- **Vital Grandin** is looking forward to their Dodgeball competition to raise funds.

ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS

- The Board approved the 2018-2021 Three-Year Capital Plan with the following two projects and ranked priorities, (1) Morinville Community High School renovation of CTS and (2) Bertha Kennedy replacement of heating and ventilation systems.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Secretary-treasurer Schlag** updated the Board on the provincial budget indicating that it is good news for the district given that no reductions were announced. An explanation was provided on how monies for new grants would be calculated for the initial year of implementation of Bill 1.

UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD

- The Board will be reviewing feedback gathered from the recent Open Houses and online surveys regarding an attendance area for Sister Alphonse Academy that will adjust attendance areas in St. Albert, Ward 1 including the addition of the Namao lands. In addition, decisions will be made regarding programming for the new school.

The next advocacy meeting of the Board of Trustees scheduled for
Monday, April 3, 2017

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, April 10, 2017

3:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB

PUBLIC WELCOME at ALL of the above MEETINGS