

**SUMMARY OF THE BOARD ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING OF
GREATER ST. ALBERT RCSSD NO. 734
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2017**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Trustees Becigneul, McEvoy, Proulx, Radford, Shaw, and Tremblay

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Trustee Crockett

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

D Keohane, superintendent; D Schlag, secretary-treasurer; R Nixon, assistant superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Tremblay called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. and Trustee Shaw offered the opening prayer.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF TERRITORIES

Trustee Tremblay acknowledged that the Greater St. Albert Catholic School Board is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

5.2 – Board Meeting Calendar 2017-18 Discussion was removed and Francophone Historical Book Distribution replaced that item.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Becigneul provided a written report from his attendance at the March 24, 2017 ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting. Trustee Crockett provided a written report from her attendance at the March 13, 2017 FNMI Leadership Committee Meeting. Trustee Tremblay provided an oral report on the Morinville Chamber of Commerce and Trustee McEvoy provided a brief oral update on the Education Foundation.

TRUSTEE DEVELOPMENT / BOARD ADVOCACY

Development and Peace Update – R. Nixon and C. Loiselle

Trustees were presented with a 3 page overview and a power-point presentation on the decision by School Administrators to raise funds to build a school in the Philippines as a Legacy Project to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the District. The overview showed the birth of the project, through to the construction of the building, to the opening commemoration by the local Bishop. As of March 2017, the District had raised \$146,000 of the \$200,000 pledged for the project and it is expected the target will be reached by June 2017, based on the many projects in progress. There was opportunity for questions and answers.

Francophone Historical Book Distribution Discussion

Trustee Radford shared an email she had received from ACFA Centralta Administration, indicating the Centralta Tourism Society would like to donate a copy of the book, *Adventure of my Alberta*, to every school with a French Immersion program in GSACRD. The anecdotal stories in the book, present the contribution of Alberta's francophone pioneers and is tied to the Alberta school curriculum. Superintendent Keohane advised Administration would look after the distribution of books as requested.

Trustee Shaw offered the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Meeting chaired by Trustee Tremblay