



Greater St. Albert
Catholic Schools

Board Meeting Summary

Chair: Serena Shaw | Vice-Chair: René Tremblay

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES was held at the District Office, on Monday, January 29, 2018.

GOOD NEWS

District News

- The Board received formal recognition from a delegation of representatives with Development and Peace to honor the contribution of more than \$200,000 to build Pope Francis School in the Philippines. The collective efforts of all schools will be making a difference for children and families for years to come. Development and Peace congratulated the district on the solidarity and partnership on this 150th anniversary legacy project!
- Superintendent Keohane announced that Mr. Moroziuk would be joining the district in the role of assistant superintendent, Human Resources & Administrative Support Services in April 2018.

School News

- **G.H. Primeau School** was recognized by district schools for hosting their recent Basketball Tournament. **V.J. Maloney** girls took home the top position, while the boys' team were successful in the consolation final! Congratulations to all organizers and participants. These community-building events require a lot of work but are extremely valuable!
- **J.J. Nearing School Community** reached out to their families prior to the Christmas break to help a family in their school with significant needs. The school raised more than \$6,000 during a cookies/milk sale! The monies raised provided basic comforts and made their Christmas a memorable one. Congratulations!
- **Renee Trottier** was excited to share the news that a community partner, North West Redwater Partnership notified the school they will receive a \$7,000 grant to purchase Makerspace Technology. The school applauds the organization for their support of education and assisting in furthering their student's interests.
- A **student** at **Neil M. Ross School** performed in the Nutcracker Ballet that ran in Edmonton at the Jubilee prior to the Christmas Break. Their performance and talents captured the attention of recruiters from the Toronto School of Ballet.
- **St. Albert Catholic High School, Sam Johnson** is a recipient of the Football *Coach of the Year* Award from the Metro Athletics organization. The school's success in athletics also resulted in students, Danny Johnson & Jackson Ganton, being selected for the Miles Conference All-star Football team. In addition, Chase Gratton was selected as a Metro Athletics Edmonton Journal All-star. Congratulations to all!
- **St. Albert Catholic High School** is excited about two great productions students they will put on this year. The first, Willy Wonka, a musical, opens in February so be sure to buy tickets earlier! The school also has plans to host a drama production of the iconic novel, 1984, by George Orwell.
- **Staff at École Notre Dame** put on their jeans to support the Morinville Food Bank. Since September, more than \$450 has been raised for this initiative!

ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS

- The Board approved a variety of locally developed courses that will continue to increase choice for students in our schools.
- The Board received a final presentation from Incite Marketing on the new visual identity for the District, which embraces the current Mission, Vision and Values while being more reflective of the service the district provides and the communities it serves. The Board approved the next step in the process to put in place an implementation plan that includes the timing, resources and costs to make the transition.
- The Board approved the What We Heard Report, authored by Jan Bloomfield with Strategy Plus and an IAP2 certified trainer that summarizes the feedback from Phase I of the consultation on St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy opening in Morinville in 2019. Phase II will begin with an Open House in Morinville on March 7 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- The Board approved the transportation department to proceed with the process to gather Request for Quotations on a new contract for busing services in the district.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Board approved the support of administrators and teachers attending key Catholic conferences to further their faith in the current school year.
- The Board approved programming updates including:
 - Expansion of the Recreation Academy into R.S. Fowler to allow continuity for students in the Academy at Vital Grandin and increased student choice.
 - Strengthening programming at ESSMY by supporting a leading French Immersion program with English options at senior high and the addition of Pre-AP at grade nine to respond to student requests for choice.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Superintendent Keohane** provided reports and information on:
 - School Results Reviews Report
 - First Nations, Métis and Inuit Report
 - School Facilities Utilization Report
 - 1st Quarter Financial Statement
 - Prime Minister's Award

UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD

- Trustees completed the first phase of the consultation process for St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy with an Open House in Morinville and an online survey to gather input on programming and attendance boundaries. The "What We Heard" report will be shared publicly in the New Year. Phase II will begin with an Open House in Morinville on March 7 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thank you to the all those who participated in the process.

The next Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for

Monday, February 12, 2018

7:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for the school year is scheduled for

Monday, February 26, 2018

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

PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND