

# Board Meeting Summary

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*THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES* was held at the District Office, on Monday, May 28, 2018.

## **GOOD NEWS**

- Congrats to **Zach Polis, SACHS Alumni** for being shortlisted as St. Albert's first Poet Laureate!

- Congratulations to the **École Marie Poburan (EMP)** Eco-Heroes who took home first place in the St. Albert Garbage Can Design Contest. EMP students are definitely environmental stewards in the making! In addition, a special note of thanks to all those in the school community for organizing a successful EMP Car Rally. During a two-hour period, the school performed more than 300 acts of service spontaneously throughout the community!

- Albert Lacombe School** held a successful Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser with net proceeds of more than 5,000 donated to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. More than 2K of the funds raised was by accomplished by a single grade 2 student.

- The #SpokeupforMentalHealth Bike-A-Thon at **R.S. Fowler** resulted in the school donating more than \$51,000 for mental health. This partnership continues to grow with the addition of the Flaman Fitness group who will be spending \$65K on bikes that would support St. Albert Schools' fundraising initiatives.

- Bertha Kennedy** held their Grand Opening of their Healthy Bobkat room that will support all students. The space includes a climbing wall, many fitness areas, as well as, quiet spaces for students. This initiative was made possible through donations; many thanks to all the sponsors for their generosity and support of the BK Bobkats!

- Students at **École Secondaire Sainte Marguerite d'Youville** just finished a month long participation in a global education initiative that culminated with a virtual town hall meeting where students shared their perspectives on the future of work with others provincially.

- Congratulations to **Morinville Community High School** on their successful Bike-A-Thon that raised funds to support the purchase of a duet bike for Aspen House.

- **G.H.Primeau** has many talented singers and performers; the production of Under the Mattress was outstanding and entertaining for all those who attended!

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

Board approved policies: Board Policy 9 – Board Representatives and Board Policy 16 – Alternative Programs with the changes as presented and Board Policy 18 – Naming of Schools with no changes.

The Board approved the following items for the 2018-19 school year:

- Board Strategic Priority Report
- Principles for the Basis of Allocations to Schools
- School Fees and Transportation Fees

Comprehensive reports on all these items above are available in the Board package on the website.

The 2018-19 Budget was also approved and includes the following highlights:

- spending today's dollars on today's kids;
- directing 90% of all funding to instruction;
- using reserves to cover the deficit provides a bridge to operations in the future; and
- improved staffing levels.

The Board discussed Early Dismissal Times and will be putting in place transportation to accommodate this at Morinville Community High School for the 2018-19 school year. A review will be done on optimal scheduling for students in the coming year.

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

Superintendent Keohane provided information updates on:

- Alberta Education Field Services Report
- Gallup 2018 Great Workplace Award
- Field Trip Activity Report

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

Trustees will be sharing the feedback online gathered through the ThoughtExchange engagement. Approval of an attendance area for St. Kateri Tekakwitha Academy is on the June agenda. This will also create an attendance area for École Notre Dame.

The next Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for  
**Monday, June 11, 2018**

7:00 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.

The last regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for  
**Monday, June 25, 2018**

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

**PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND BOTH MEETINGS**