

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
GREATER ST. ALBERT ROMAN CATHOLIC
SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 734
HELD on MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019, 2:00 P.M.
District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue,
St. Albert, AB**

MEMBERS PRESENT Trustees Becigneul, Crockett, Radford, Proulx, Schell, Shaw, and Tremblay

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

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

CALL TO ORDER Trustee **Becigneul** called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

IN CAMERA

184/19 Trustee **Shaw:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move In Camera at 2:01 p.m.
CARRIED (6/6)

OUT OF CAMERA

185/19 Trustee **Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees move Out of Camera at 3:36 p.m.
CARRIED (6/6)

OPENING PRAYER

Trustee **Becigneul** offered the Opening Prayer.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Greater St. Albert Catholic School Board acknowledges that it is meeting on the original lands of the Cree, those of Treaty 6, and on the homeland of the Métis Nation. We acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration. Kinanâskomitin Manito (Thank you Creator).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

186/19 Trustee **Tremblay:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.
CARRIED (6/6)

PRESENTATION DELEGATION

Patrick Moore, Partner from Meyers, Norris & Penny (MNP LLP) explained the process to be used for the upcoming audit for the year ending August 31, 2019.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & SUMMARIES

187/19 **Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on May 27, 2019 as circulated.

CARRIED (6/6)

188/19 **Trustee Proulx:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting (Expulsion) held on May 29, 2019 as circulated.

189/19 **Trustee Shaw:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the summary of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held on June 10, 2019 as circulated.

CARRIED (6/6)

190/19 **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the Board held on June 17, 2019 as circulated.

CARRIED (6/6)

191/19 **Trustee Tremblay:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the summary of the Committee of the Whole Budget Meeting held on June 18, 2019 as circulated.

CARRIED (6/6)

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE & EVENT REPORTS

192/19 **Trustee Shaw:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the committee reports from the Board Committee of the Whole meeting held June 10, 2019, as follows:

- First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Leadership Committee
- Rural Caucus of Alberta School Boards

CARRIED (6/6)

GOOD NEWS

Trustee Bécigneul shared the Good News Report.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no questions.

CONSENT ITEMS

193/19 **Trustee Shaw:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees receive the consent items attached and approve all recommendations contained therein as follows:

- 12.1. Locally Developed Courses (High School): Advanced Acting and Touring 15/25/35 (5 credits), Ceramics (Advanced Techniques) 15/25/35 (5 credits), Dance 15/25/35 (5 credits), Environmental Science – Advanced 35 (5 credits), Fire Rescue Services 15 (3 credits), Myth Busting Science 25 (3 credits), Performing Arts (2019) 15, 25, 35 (3 & 5 credits), Portfolio Art (2019) 35 (5 credits), Religious Studies: Roman Catholic 15/25/35 (3 & 5 credits), Yoga (2019) 15/25/35 (3 & 5 credits), and Fantasy & Science Fiction 15 (5 credits) (LDC1248)

- 12.2 Dual Credit Courses: Anatomy and Physiology 1000 beginning February 1, 2020 until August 31, 2023.
- 12.3 School Codes of Conduct Review for the 2018-2019 school year.

CARRIED (6/6)

ACTION ITEMS

Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award Recipient

Trustee Crockett provided an overview of the selection process for the 2019 recipient of The Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award.

194/19

Trustee Crockett: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the committee’s selection as the recipient of the 2019 Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award.

CARRIED (6/6)

2019 Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association Awards

Trustee Shaw provided an overview of the selection process for the 2019 Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association Awards.

195/19

Trustee Shaw: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the Committee’s selection for the Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association Honorary Life Membership Award and the Appreciation Award, which will be revealed and publicly endorsed at the September 30, 2019 meeting.

CARRIED (6/6)

196/19

Trustee Shaw: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the submission of Trustee Joan Crockett’s name for the Faithful Steward Long Service Award for 10 years of service.

CARRIED (6/6)

2019-2020 Principles for the Basis of Allocations

Secretary Treasurer Schlag presented the Principles for the Basis of Allocations to Schools, which provides the detail on how instructional funds are provided to schools and the per student allocation rates as considered and approved by the Board of Trustees, for select Centralized and all School Budgets. Document will be posted on the website once approved.

197/19

Trustee Crockett: **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the 2019-2020 Principles for the Basis of Allocations to Schools, as presented and attached.

CARRIED (6/6)

2019-2020 Budget

Secretary Treasurer Schlag presented the 2019-2020 district budget bearing in mind that this year, due to the timing of the provincial election and subsequent related events, the Government of Alberta will not be presenting a provincial budget until the fall of 2019. The Government is currently working with interim supply funds and no decisions on Education funding or the funding rates for 2019/2020 have been made until the provincial budget is released.

- 198/19** **Trustee Tremblay:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the 2019-2020 operating budget, for the year ending August 31, with estimated revenues of \$71,159,529 and estimated expenditures of \$71,527,220, resulting in an annual operating deficit of (\$367,691).
- CARRIED (6/6)**

MEETING EXTENSION

- 199/19** **Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees extend the regular meeting of the Board until 7:00 p.m.
- CARRIED (6/6)**

ACTION ITEMS – CONT'D

Superintendent's Evaluation Approval

- 200/19** **Trustee Tremblay:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the Superintendent's Evaluation Report as reviewed at the June 24, 2019 meeting.
- CARRIED (6/6)**

Capital Reserve Transfer

- 201/19** **Trustee Radford:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve the transfer of \$38,053, which is related to the reimbursement of capital expenditures initially paid by the Board for the GHP modular project, during the 2012-13 transition from a Public to Separate Board, into School & Instruction Related Capital Reserves.
- CARRIED (6/6)**

Banking Services

Secretary Treasurer Schlag provided an overview of the current process for banking services. Generally, the Board will tender for Banking Services every five years. From time to time, the period is extended on a year to year basis to accommodate transition, time demands, or other issues.

- 202/19** **Trustee Crockett:** **THAT** the Board of Trustees approve an extension to the current term of banking services until such time the school banking project comes to a successful conclusion or further information is brought to Board no later than June 30, 2020.
- CARRIED (6/6)**

2019-2022 Three-Year Education Plan Framework

Superintendent Keohane noted the measures associated with the provincial accountability pillar have not yet been released but are not expected to change. The usual practice of working with our school communities (which is a year-long process) in affirming the best possible strategies will continue within all mandated measures, once confirmed.

203/19

Trustee Shaw: THAT the Board of Trustees approve the strategic direction emanating from schools and stakeholder groups to further the development of the upcoming Three-Year Education Plan for 2019 – 2022 and direct the Superintendent to further the development of this plan subject to the parameters provided within this report.

CARRIED (6/6)

ASBOA Past President's Scholarship Award

Secretary Treasurer Schlag provided an update on the ASBOA Past President's Scholarship Award. A decision was made to split the single \$1,500 Scholarship into two (2), \$750 Scholarships, allowing each deserving applicant to share in this one-time opportunity.

204/19

Trustee Radford: THAT the Board of Trustees confirm the selection of Allison Klatchuk (SACHS) and Saylor Tarzwell (MCHS) as the two recipients of the ASBOA Past President's Scholarship Award, who will share the award in the amount of \$750 each.

CARRIED (6/6)

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business

INFORMATION ITEMS

Report from the Chair

Chair Becigneul shared an update on a new event of the Archdiocese; the Archbishop's Dinner and passed on information to the Superintendent regarding Roots of Change.

Trustee Schell joined the meeting at 5:41 pm

Report from the Superintendent

Information updates from administration included the following items:

- Field Trip Summary (Moroziuk)
- Faith and Spiritual Initiatives Annual Report (Nixon)
- Quarter 3 Financial Report (Schlag)
- Freedom of Information and Privacy (FOIP) Statistics (Schlag)

205/19

Trustee Proulx: THAT the Board of Trustees receive the superintendent's report as information.

CARRIED (7/7)



Committee Report Summary

Board Committee of the Whole Meeting Date: June 10, 2019

Submitted By: Joan Crockett (Serena Shaw, René Tremblay)

Committee/Event Name: First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Leadership Committee

Committee/Event Date: March 24, 2019

Hospitality and Networking

Tobacco Offering and Opening Prayer

Acknowledgement of Territories

Inculturated Mass - National Indigenous Peoples' Day

- **When** - June 21, 2019 @ 9:00am

- **What** - Inculturated Mass co-celebrated with Archbishop Sylvain and Father Susai from Sacred Heart Parish. Fr Sousa will bring an elder, drum and smudge. Prayers, smudging, drumming, and the possibility of a Round Dance may be incorporated to follow the mass as a sign of peace. Dignitaries and 500 or more students have been invited.

Where - Grotto behind St Albert Parish (weather permitting), if not in the church. (700 maximum for the church)

Gallup Results 2018 - Assistant Superintendent Rhonda Nixon

- In what ways have we grown?

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- What are the difference makers?

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Indigenous Literacy Connections - Yvonne Stang - Literacy Consultant

Text - Missing Nimama - Author Melanie Florence (A Canadian Cree author who won the TD Canadian Children's Literature Award)

Issue - Reality of Missing and Murdered Women

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Closing prayer.

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Date: June 10, 2019

Submitted By: Trustee Proulx

Committee/Event Name: Rural Caucus of Alberta School Boards

Committee/Event Date: June 2, 2019

Summary of Agenda Items:

Update from chair

ASBA SGM proposal from Chinook's Edge

Budget 2020 proposal

Post election Advocacy

Highlights Relevant to GSACRD:

Chair Update: RCASB executive have sent out letters to various members of the newly elected government.

RCASB has been invited to be a member of the Alberta Rural Education Symposium committee. This is a good fit to be sitting in this committee and RCASB is looking for a trustee to be the RCASB representative.

Chinook Edge proposal: proposed that the RCASB ask zone 3/8 to change their by-laws to include RCASB as Zone 10. Proposal was voted against and therefore withdrew at the SGM-AGM.

Budget update: 42 boards comprise RCASB

(what constitutes to be considered a member of RCASB?
if your board deals with rural concerns of any type)

Total annual estimated cost of RCASB is \$39, 144.00 estimates cost of each board is \$932.00

Advocacy: Bevon Daverne messages well done-stay with you for a long time, whether you like/dislike agree/disagree with the product. if the messaging is done correctly when you hear it you recognize it. everyone has to have the same message to go forward and to sustain ground.

Eg. in 2017 when the CEU issue became known some boards stated it affected them, some sent a message to gov't that it wouldn't affect them and some said they would wait to see the outcome. no clear message from the some 61 boards across the province until 2019 when all boards were stating the same message is when the CEU were re-instated.

The goal is to get all education partners stating the same message, ASBA, ASCTA, ATA, CASS, PSBAA, ASBOA, ASCA etc. to be able to better impact education

Each board was asked to prioritize a list of post election advocacy items for the RCASB to make an advocacy plan from.

Noreen, Rhonda and I filled out the document on behalf of the board.