

Board Meeting Summary

Chair: Joe Becigneul | Vice-Chair: Joan Crockett

Trustees: Cathy Proulx | Noreen Radford | Greg Schell | Serena Shaw | René Tremblay



THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES was held at the Division Office, on **Monday, September 30, 2019.**

GOOD NEWS

Division News

Families, staff and community members joined Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools and the Sister Alphonse school community to celebrate the official unveiling of two legacy murals on September 19! Congratulations to all involved in this project; it was truly a collaborative effort by many. The evening was full of excitement as attendees had a chance to get up close and find their individual tiles. A special note of thanks to Board Chair Becigneul for being our gracious host, and to Board of Trustees and Senior Administration for their attendance and support. Highlights and photos from the event can be found on our website!

The St. Kateri Visual Identity Ad Hoc Committee met mid-September to begin the process of establishing a visual identity for the new school (set to open in September 2020). Details will be shared later this fall, with the website launch for the new school expected in the New Year.

School News

September has been a busy time for our school communities as they began another year of learning and growing together in faith! École Father Jan wishes to thank families and staff for their generous contributions to Catholic Social Services and La Salle Women's Shelter. They raised over \$1200 in donations at their Welcome Back BBQ!

Students from Ecole Marie Poburan took part in a schoolwide Nerf event to raise money for the Kids with Cancer Society. The idea for the event came from 8-year old student Alexander Brost and his family. Alex just completed his final cancer treatment on September 3, which also happened to be his first day of Grade 2. To celebrate the end of his treatment, and to give back to the organization who has supported him, Alex's family and EMP staff organized this fun-filled, fundraising event for the whole school to enjoy.

Legal School ran a successful Summer Reading Contest with 46 entries from students! Parents submitted photos of their children reading in various locations over the summer as evidence. Kudos to Legal School for making summer reading fun – with a little healthy competition.

Morinville Community High School started another school year with a bountiful harvest from their Urban Agriculture garden – which flourished over the summer! To welcome the Grade 12s and to honour the hard work it takes to make it all the way to your graduating year, MCHS staff held its first balcony social and provided students with hot chocolate and donuts. MCHS staff are also pleased to share they began 2019-20 with higher than projected enrollment, and look forward to celebrating their significant 25-year anniversary milestone this year!

PRESENTATION DELEGATIONS:

There were no presentations.

ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS:

- The Board reviewed and approved the following Consent Items:
 - o Policy Review Schedule
 - o Review of Board Policy 1: District Mission Statement, Values and Beliefs, Statement of Philosophy, Goals and Objectives, Policy 2: Role of the Board, Policy 12: Role of the Superintendent
- The following Action Items were reviewed and approved by the Board:
 - o 10-Year Capital Plan Report
 - o Revised 2020-2023 Capital Plan
 - o Faith in Our Future Business Proposal
 - o Policy 15: School Closure/Transfer of Students
 - o Faith in Our Future Consultation Plan
 - o 2019-2020 Board Monitoring Calendar
 - o 2019-2020 Board Advocacy Plan
 - o 2019-2020 Communication Plan Highlights
 - o Confirmation of Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association Award Nominations
 - o Laura Bird Memorial Beacon of Hope Award
 - o Vaping Policy Position for Alberta School Boards Association
 - o Opting Out of ASFF
 - o Faith in Our Future Ad Hoc Committee

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Updates and/or reports were provided on the following:

- May 2019 Accountability Pillar Report Update
- Appointment of an Auditor
- Insurance Update

UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD:

Trustees will attend awards nights for their respective school communities to celebrate and recognize student accomplishments within the Division.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Monday, October 28, 2019 3:30 p.m.** at Division Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert AB.

The Board is encouraging all community members to offer feedback on the [Faith in Our Future](#) proposal through the [ThoughtExchange](#) platform and by attending multiple Open House engagement opportunities. The first Open House is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 30, 2019 on 5:00-8:00 p.m.** at St. Albert Catholic High School.

PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS