



BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

Chair: Serena Shaw | Vice-Chair: Rosaleen McEvoy
Trustees: Joe Becigneul | Joan Crockett | Cathy Proulx | Noreen Radford | René Tremblay

Monday, September 26, 2016

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD, AND THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Both meetings were held at the District Office, on Monday, September 26, 2016.

GOOD NEWS

District News

- Schools had a great start up to the year and many schools reported increases in their enrolment numbers, especially at the kindergarten level. The updated enrolment report is issued after a final enrolment count on September 30th.
- District-wide we will be continuing to raise funds for Canadian Development and Peace to reach the target goal of \$200,000 to build Pope Francis School in the Philippines. We have raised close to 70% of the targeted funds and encourage all school, families and the public to assist us. Please contact your local school or the District Office to find out how you can contribute.

School News

- On September 30th, Orange Shirt Day: every child matters creates awareness of residential schools and the experiences of former students. Our District has a personal connection to the Alberta Orange Shirt Campaign as the logo was designed by **Arlyssa McArthur**, a graduate of **St. Albert Catholic High School**. In reflecting on her participation in this initiative Arlyssa commented, "We learned about residential schools in school and it is so sad. I want everyone to know that Every Child Matters." • September is a busy month for schools hosting Terry Fox Run's. Annually, all schools participate by hosting runs and raising funds to further the efforts of Terry Fox's legacy. Watch for an update on the collective funds raised next month.
- Many schools have welcomed new staff this year including a number of new graduates! The **ESSMY** School Community welcomed four new staff; two of the teachers are former students, one from Edmonton Catholic and the other all the way from France. They are all excited about the coming year!
- Former **SACHS Football Star, Tanner Doll** of the Ottawa RedBlacks - son of former SACHS Principal Garrett Doll and Vice-Principal Anna-Lisa Doll, had his first regular season start last weekend in Calgary. His play has earned him a start this weekend as Ottawa takes on the Toronto Argonauts. Congrat's to Tanner and his family!

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING UPDATE

- Newly elected trustee, Joe Becigneul took the Oath of Office during the Organizational Meeting of the Board.
- The new Board Chair is Trustee Serena Shaw, and Trustee Rosaleen McEvoy will continue as Vice-Chair. Both were nominated from the floor and acclaimed to their positions.

ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS

- The Board approved the following items for the 2016-2017 school year: Board Monitoring Calendar, Policy Review Schedule, Advocacy Plan, Board Allowances and Honorariums.
- The Superintendent's compensation package was approved.
- The second reading of Draft Policy 21 – Recruitment and Selection of Personnel was approved.
- Trustees will support Starfest through the purchase of a table.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Assistant Superintendent, R. Nixon** provided information on the vision and goals for a newly established District FNMI Committee. The committee will further the Board's Three Year Education Framework, key strategy in Outcome Two: The Achievement Gap Between First Nations, Métis and Inuit Students and All Other Students.
- **Superintendent, D. Keohane** updated the Board on the Case Study produced by Gallup, an international research organization highlighting *Engagement Growth Through Leadership Development*. The Case Study applauds the District's professional development, which has demonstrated an increase in employee engagement by 14 percentage points, the highest level achieved by an education organization to date.

UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD

- The Board is looking forward to their public consultation process this fall regarding boundaries and programming for Sister Alphonse Academy. The process will begin in October 2016 with two open houses; October 26th at J.J. Nearing and November 1st at Neil M. Ross, both will run from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. and be a drop in format. Input received will be considered in designing programming and attendance boundary options.
- The Board will be establishing membership for the Audit Committee, a new committee commencing in 2016-17 to further oversight and transparency.

The next Regular Meetings of the Board of Trustees are scheduled for
Monday, October 17, 2016 and Monday, October 31, 2016
3:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB

The next Advocacy Meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for
Monday, November 7, 2016
7:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB

PUBLIC WELCOME at ALL of the above MEETINGS

