

# EAST CENTRAL ALBERTA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS REGIONAL DIVISION # 16 Regular Meeting - Minutes

Thursday, December 20, 2018 Central Office - Wainwright, AB

**Board and Representatives:** 

Debra Klein **Board Chair** Presiding Greg Ibach Vice Chair Present Rob Nichols Trustee Present Duane Ausitn Trustee Present Trustee Jim Sanson Present Alan Rogan Trustee Present Malachy Young Trustee Present Harry Loonen Trustee Present

**Administrators** 

Charlie McCormack Superintendent Present Dwayne Zarichny Deputy Superintendent Regrets Mary Ann Threinen Secretary-Treasurer Present Jessica Channon Board Executive Secretary Present

## **Presentations**

There are no presentations this month.

<u>ltem</u>	<u>Content</u>	<u>Action</u>
l.	Opening Prayer Opening Prayer – Trustee G. Ibach Next meeting (January) – Trustee J. Sanson	
II.	Action Item Board Chair D. Klein commenced the meeting at 4:02 pm.	
III.	Presentation There are no Presentations this month.	
IV.	Faith Formation Faith Formation will continue in January.	
V.	Consideration of the Agenda	
	Motion 2018-094: Trustee H. Loonen moved to approve the agenda for the December 20, 2018 Regular Board meeting as presented. Motion carried.	
VI.	Review of Previous Minutes	
	Regular Board Meeting Minutes	
	Motion 2018-095: Trustee R. Nichols moved to approve the Minutes of the November 29, 2018 Regular Board Meeting as circulated. Motion carried.	
VII.	Business Arising Out of Previous Minutes Clearview Meeting:  The trustees will meet with the Clearview Board at Central Office in Wainwright on February 28, 2019 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm.	

### **Buffalo Trail Meeting:**

 The Trustees will meet with Buffalo Trail Public Schools Trustees on January 16, 2019 at 5:00 pm in BTPS Board Room. Trustee R. Nichols will not be able to attend the meeting, however all other trustees are able to attend.

Trustee M. Young joined the board meeting at 4:07 pm.

### Three Year Education Plan & AERR:

#### Motion 2018-096:

Trustee D. Austin moved to approve the Combined Three Year Education Plan for 2018-2021 and the Annual Education Results Report (AERR) for 2017-2018 as presented. Motion carried.

The Superintendent mentioned they would be meeting with Alberta Education on January 17, 2019 to review the Three Year Education Plan and AERR. This item will be put on the January agenda to be discussed again.

#### **GrACE Committee:**

The Superintendent mentioned that the Catholic Bishops put together a committee to promote Catholic Education in Alberta and they want the boards to have a committee to attend training in January. Trustee J. Sanson mentioned that Paulette would be good person for the committee. Trustee H. Loonen would like to join the committee as well as Trustee J. Sanson. The Superintendent asked Trustee D. Austin if he would ask Father Marek if he would be interested in attending. They will email Father Marek the information to see if he was interested. The kickoff meeting for the training is January 22, 2019 from 12:30 to 3:30 pm, at the Lumen Christ Education Center, Edmonton Catholic Schools.

### VII. Inclusive Education/Dual Credit/Religion/Technology Reports

- An Inclusive Education report was provided for the Board Members to review.
- A Religion report was provided for the Board Members to review.
- A Dual Credit report was provided for the Board Members to review.

## IX. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

- Statement of Operations Summary as of November 30. There are no capital items in the expenses. Trustee H. Loonen asked if we were the banker for VIBE. Secretary-Treasurer said yes we are the banker for VIBE.
- The Secretary Treasurer reformatted the surplus reduction plan to show our current numbers. The first set of numbers come from the financial statements. If we do all the projects in red we will still have a \$4.4 million surplus. Trustee H. Loonen asked how much of that is tied up in the schools. The Secretary-Treasurer said most of it is tied up in the schools but most of the projects are coming from the schools. Alberta Education is asking for a surplus plan and the Secretary Treasurer submits it and says it is tentative.
- Email from Rick Grebenstein stating the definition of a school bus only includes Type A1, A2, B3, C or D school buses. This means that many of the school staff, teachers and volunteer drivers that were initially thought to be impacted by the S-Endorsement training requirement changes will not be impacted if they are only driving non-D250 vehicles for extracurricular trips such as 24 passenger or less airport shuttle bus or even 15 passenger vans.
- IMR plan this year School Finance is looking at 30% capital. Looking to see if the classification of capital is right. Report the trustees have is a summary report. If something is not approved on the IMR plan then we can move it over to the Surplus plan.
- The Secretary-Treasurer provided information for the adoption of KEV at each of the schools which is the School Cash Online program used for School Generated Funds.
- School of Hope and St. Jerome's School had enrollment verification. Lavonne Adams from the Stakeholder's Branch visited the schools and performed an audit on Student Record Portfolios.
- The Secretary-Treasurer informed the trustees that their whole per diem will be taxable effective January 1, 2019.

The Board accepts the Secretary-Treasurer's report as presented.

### X. Deputy Superintendent's Report

- The Deputy Superintendent provided a report for the board of trustees to review. He was not present at the meeting.
- The trustees enquired about the mention of participants going to the Education Fair in Halifax. The Superintendent commented that we will be sending two individuals to help recruit teachers from St. Francis Xavier University. It has been difficult to hire for positions advertised because there have not been many applicants in recent years.
- The Superintendent mentioned that Janet Money would be assisting our district with our CUPE negotiations.
- Trustee A. Rogan asked about the LU systems for school gymnasiums. The Superintendent stated that it is an interactive gymnasium system that projects onto the gym wall and has interactive games for the students to play. The Superintendent also mentioned that they are also looking at putting new screens in the Gyms as well.

The Board accepts the Deputy Superintendent's report as presented.

## XI. Superintendent's Report

- The Superintendent informed the trustees that CCSSA met to discuss the media events that
  have happened in Calgary with the Teacher Contracts. The Minister mentioned that we have
  a right to Catholic Education but not to break the law. We were asked to send in a copy of
  our contract to the Minister which we have done.
- With the Class Size Survey this year Alberta Education is requesting all school boards to send in class size information for the funds received for class size to demonstrate how we are reducing class size in our schools.
- The Minister has signed off on the draft curriculum for K-4, they have added grade 9 into the next round.
- The project manager for the St. Thomas Aquinas School Replacement has been announced. It is The Workun Garrick Partnership Architecture and Interior Design Inc. They will be visiting schools in January. A committee including the Principal, School Council Chair, Teachers and trustees has been assembled to provide input during the design phase.

The Board accepts the Superintendent's report as presented.

#### XII. Committees

#### ASBA Representative - Trustee D. Klein

Chair D. Klein was not able to attend the November 23 meeting but asked for draft minutes
and it looked like they talked about local board autonomy. A survey was sent out for trustees
to complete. Trustee H. Loonen said it is an important survey for us to fill out to show
interest from our board. ASBA will not hold an MLA event this year due to the election.

### **ACSTA Director - Trustee G. Ibach**

Trustee G. Ibach sent out a survey looking for a response from our board, there are three
questions on the survey. Comments need to be submitted by December 21, 2018.

#### **Negotiations**

· Nothing to report at this time.

#### XIII. New Business

### **Policy Review**

This will be added to the January Board Agenda for discussion and review.

#### XIV. In Camera Sessions

## Motion 2018-097:

Trustee G. Ibach moved to go in camera at 5:30 pm. Motion carried.

#### Motion 2018-098:

Trustee R . Nichols moved to come out of camera at 5:59 pm. Motion carried.

## XV. <u>Information Items</u> Correspondence

## **Trustee Round Table**

- Trustee A. Rogan mentioned they put together some Christmas items for the schools in Vermilion. They did individual Christmas Cards for the staff at St. Jerome's.
- The Board Chair wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and joyful Christmas season.
- Superintendent mentioned Doug Morgan commented at Rotary how great the Blessed Sacrament Choir was at the Christmas concert at the Church of the Nazarene. They were well behaved and did a great job.

## XVI. Future Business

Date of the next regular Board Meeting will be held Thursday January 24, 2019 at Central Office, commencing at 4:00 pm.

# XVII. Closing Prayer

Closing Prayer – Trustee G. Ibach Next Meeting (January) – Trustee J. Sanson

## XVIII.

## **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

Jessica Channon, Board Executive Secretary	Date
Approved:	
Debra Klein, Board Chair	Date