

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Held in Person and Via Zoom on Thursday, February 23, 2023 at
Central Office, 1018 1 Ave, Wainwright, AB

ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE

Glenn Nowosad - Superintendent
Kelly Ehalt – Deputy Superintendent
Michele Revoy – Director of Teacher
Quality & Staff Development
Mary Ann Threinen – Secretary-Treasurer
Jessica Knight – Board Executive Secretary
& PowerSchool Lead

ATTENDED

In Person
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In Person

TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE

Debra Klein - Chair
Harry Loonen – Vice Chair
Jim Sanson
Malachy Young
Robert Gratton
Duane Austin
Derek Collins

ATTENDED

In Person
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By Zoom
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1. OPENING PRAYER

Opening Prayer – Trustee R. Gratton
Next meeting (March) – Trustee D. Austin

2. TREATY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Chair D. Klein

3. ACTION ITEM

Chair D. Klein commenced the meeting at 4:01 pm.

4. PRESENTATION

Theresetta Catholic School– Amberly Hepp

The Principal presented on some prospective programs that she would like to implement at Theresetta Catholic School.

5. CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA

2023-011:

Trustee J. Sanson moved to approve the agenda for the February 23, 2023, Regular Board meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

6. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2023-012:

Trustee J. Sanson moved to approve the Minutes of the January 26, 2023, Regular Meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

7. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

No business arising out of previous minutes.

Trustee M. Young joined the meeting at 6:43 pm.

8. IN-CAMERA SESSION

2023-013:

Trustee D. Austin moved to go in-camera at 6:43 pm. Motion carried.

2023-014:

Trustee D. Austin moved to come out of in-camera at 8:56 pm. Motion carried.

Motion 2023-015:

Trustee D. Collins moves to approve a pilot project of a full day kindergarten program, the introduction of a Hockey Academy and the purchase of a 24 passenger bus for Theresetta Catholic School. Motion carried.

9. SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed her report with the trustees. She reviewed and discussed the Area Capacity and Utilization Report and the Plant Operation and Maintenance Grant Calculation with the trustees. The Secretary-Treasurer reviewed the Statement of Operations with the trustees.

Motion 2023-016:

Trustee H. Loonen moved to put forward an updated request for exemption to the operating reserve cap for August 31, 2023. Motion carried.

10. DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Deputy Superintendent reviewed his report with the trustees. The Excellence in Catholic Education Award recipient for the division is Michel Despins. He will be presented his award at Blueprints. The Faith Coaches met face to face at Central Office with Liberty Stafford. The Deputy Superintendent is meeting with James Troddin again to discuss VTRA. The Deputy Superintendent is coordinating to have the CTS trailer moved to Theresetta School on March 28 and then it will be moved to Stettler for the next school year. The Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent will be presenting to CASS about our CTS trailer.

11. DIRECTOR OF TEACHING QUALITY AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

The Director reviewed her report with the trustees. All of the religion leads will be attending the SPICE Conference this year. The government has extended more funding for the Learning Disruption grant for grade 1 students, there is an application process to apply for the funding. The Director attended a presentation on the Integrated School Support program that was developed to build resilience in children and the program focuses on universal and wrap around services to improve academic performance and the social, emotional, and physical well-being of children. The program is being expanded and several communities have been selected. One school from each community will be able to participate. Stettler has been chosen as one of the communities to expand the program to.

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent reviewed his report with the trustees. The Superintendent is working on advocacy documentation for the division to put the message out for regarding educational questions parents can ask candidates about. Assurance surveys are going to be sent out to parents. The Superintendent is meeting with Alberta Education to discuss the division's Assurance Plan.

13. COMMITTEES

a. ASBA REPRESENTATIVE – TRUSTEE D. AUSTIN

Nothing to report at this time.

b. ACSTA DIRECTOR – Trustee R. Gratton

Trustee R. Gratton stated that Edmonton Catholic Schools has rejoined ACSTA. There is a Certificate in Catholic School Trusteeship program available to the Directors and trustees through St. Joseph's College. ACSTA would like all trustees to take the certificate program. Should it be paid for by the boards or by the ACSTA for the Directors to go. \$90/candidate and resources available at \$10 each. The program helps trustees with the direction of the board and duties of the board. Trustees could register through ACSTA or Newman College.

Motion 2023-017:

Trustee J. Sanson moved for the board to pay for the fees for Director R. Gratton to attend the certification program through Newman Theological college. Motion carried.

c. NEGOTIATIONS – TEBA – CHAIR D. KLEIN

Chair D. Klein discussed in camera.

e. GRACE COMMITTEE – VICE CHAIR H. LOONEN

Vice Chair H. Loonen had nothing to report at this time.

f. RURAL CAUCUS – TRUSTEE J. SANSON

Meeting at the beginning of March.

14. NEW BUSINESS

a. Vermilion JUPA Agreement

Motion 2023-018:

Trustee H. Loonen moved to approve the Joint Use and Planning Agreement with the County of Vermilion River which will be subject to an administrative review every five years starting in 2028. Motion carried.

b. Saint Thomas Aquinas School – Manitou Lake Bible Camp

Motion 2023-019:

Trustee R. Gratton moved to approve the St. Thomas Aquinas field trip request for Manitou Lake Bible Camp on June 14, 2023 for grades 1-3 students provided that all field trip procedure requirements have been met. Motion carried.

c. Basketball Tournament Request

Motion 2023-020:

Trustee D. Collins moved to approve the purchase of two trophies for the ECACS divisional basketball tournaments. Motion carried.

d. March Board Meeting Date

Motion 2023-021:

Trustee D. Austin moved to approve changing the date of the March board meeting to March 30, 2023 because of the CASS Conference being held on March 22-24, 2023. Motion carried.

e. Christ-King Catholic School – Lake Louise/Canmore Jr. High Ski Trip

Motion 2023-022:

Trustee J. Sanson moved to approve the Christ-King Catholic Schools ski trip request for Lake Louise/Canmore Ski Trip for Grades 7 to 9 students from March 19 to March 21, 2023 provided that all field trip procedure requirements have been met. Motion carried.

f. Christ-King Catholic School - Canyon Ski Trip

Motion 2023-023:

Trustee D. Austin moved to approve Christ-King Catholic Schools ski trip request for Canyon Ski Resort for Grades K-9 on March 1, 2023 provided that all field trip procedure requirements have been met. Motion carried.

15. DUAL CREDIT/RELIGION REPORTS

A religion report was provided for the trustees to review.

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An Indigenous Culture and Program Facilitator report was provided for the trustees to review.

16. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. There was no correspondence this month.

b. TRUSTEE ROUND TABLE

The trustees provided an update of events for their area.

17. FUTURE BUSINESS

The date of the next Regular Board meeting will be Thursday, March 30, 2023, by zoom and in person, commencing at 4:00 pm.

18. CLOSING PRAYER

Closing Prayer – Trustee R. Gratton

Next Meeting (March) – Trustee D. Austin

19. ADJOURNMENT

Chair D. Klein adjourned the meeting at 9:31 pm.

SIGNATURE OF CHAIR

**SIGNATURE OF BOARD EXECUTIVE SECRETARY &
POWERSCHOOL LEAD**