

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools, held May 30, 2017.

Present: D. Bouchard
M. Hollman
D. MacKay
L. McNiff and
G. Pelletier, Trustees
V. P. Mason, Superintendent of Schools
R. Ledene, Assoc. Sup't – Faith Dev & Div Support
K. Finnigan, Assoc. Sup't - Personnel
D. Khatib, Assoc. Sup't – Inclusive Learning
R. Steeves, Secretary-Treasurer
J. Heidt, Executive Assistant
Absent: A. LaGrange, K. Jaeger

The meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m.

ENCOUNTERING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD: Mr. Ryan Ledene, Superintendent of Faith Development and Division Support, lead Trustees in opening scripture, meditation and prayer.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

17/05/30-01 Watson

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED

CARRIED.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

17/05/30-02 McNiff

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2017 BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED

CARRIED.

3. ELEMENTARY COMPREHENSIVE MUSIC PROGRAM

The Associate Superintendent of Inclusive Learning presented Trustees with a presentation on aligning Grade 5 music programs to meet the Alberta program of studies. Traditional band instruction does not currently cover all of the outcomes and numbers in middle school and high school band programs were on the decline. It is recommended that the pilot increase to six Division elementary schools and expand the comprehensive music pilot to include 12 weeks of band instruments with a rotation of other instruments. This program will be implemented to begin September, 2017.

4. BOARD ADVOCACY PLAN

The Board continues to advocate to elected officials about RCSD “hold harmless” funding and recently met with local MLA’s to advocate for this funding.

5. POLICY REVIEWS - POLICY 16 - ELECTION CAMPAIGNING AND DISTRIBUTION OF CAMPAIGN MATERIAL

Trustees discussed Policy 16 - Election Campaigning and revisions will be brought to the June meeting for approval.

Capital Projects Update

St. Patrick Modernization

We are still trying to organize a meeting with Alberta Education to determine the full scope of work, timelines and delivery method. There have been some staff retirements and movements that have impacted this meeting request.

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School

Work is complete on the portion of St. Marguerite but the fire alarm safety devices are unable to be verified until the entire scope of work is complete. This means that we will not be able to move into these spaces until the end of June. A date is being worked on for a grand re-opening and blessing.

St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

The school is scheduled to be completed at the end of May and furniture orders are beginning to arrive the week of May 22. Possession of the school is on June 1.

Our Lady of the Rosary Modular relocation

Tenders have closed on this project and we are waiting for an approval development permit from the Town of Sylvan Lake.

St. Elizabeth Seton Modular relocation

Tenders closed on this project and we have requested tender approval from Alberta Infrastructure.

Fr. Henri Voisin Modular addition

ABC School has indicated that construction will begin in June in preparation of the modulars arriving at the end of June.

REPORTS:

ASBA UPDATE

Trustee MacKay provided a written report.

ACSTA UPDATE

No report

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Trustee Hollman gave a verbal report:

- Next meeting will be June 13.
- Scholarships and Education Foundation grants have been reviewed and will be presented at the June 13 meeting.

Trustee MacKay lead the group in closing prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

17/05/30-03 McNiff

**THAT THE REGULAR MEETING
ADJOURN, THE TIME BEING 7:45 P.M.**

CARRIED.

(CHAIR)

(SECRETARY-TREASURER)