

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools, held October 30, 2018.

Present: S. Heistad
M. Hollman
A. LaGrange
C. Leyson
D. Lonsdale
K. Pasula and
A. Watson, Trustees
V. P. Mason, Superintendent of Schools
R. Ledene, Assoc. Sup't – Faith Dev & Div Support
K. Finnigan, Assoc. Sup't - Personnel
K. Jaeger, Supervisor of Support Services
D. Khatib, Assoc. Sup't – Inclusive Learning
R. Steeves, Secretary-Treasurer
J. Heidt, Executive Assistant

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

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

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:
#10. TRUSTEE LAGRANGE UPDATE

18/10/30-01-Leyson

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED

CARRIED.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

18/10/30-02-Lonsdale

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2018, BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED

CARRIED.

3. THREE YEAR CAPITAL PLAN REVIEW

The Supervisor of Support Services provided information to trustees with regards to the Three Year Capital Plan mid-year submission. He recommended that the new K-5 school in Blackfalds be moved to priority 2 of the Three Year Plan. This would mean that a new K-5 elementary and a new K-5 French Immersion elementary in Red Deer would move to priorities 3 and 4 respectfully.

18/10/30-03-Pasula

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE 2018/2019 - 2020-2021 THREE YEAR CAPITAL PLAN AS PRESENTED

CARRIED.

4. 2018-2019 INNISFAIL/OLDS CALENDAR

November 8 will be the parent/teacher interview lieu day and November 9 will be a day off in lieu of Remembrance Day.

5. 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Trustees were able to view the proposed calendars for the 2019-2020 school year.

18/10/30-05-Lonsdale

THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE DRAFT 2019-2020 CALENDARS FOR RED DEER, INNISFAIL, OLDS, SYLVAN LAKE, BLACKFALDS AND ST. PATRICK'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL AS PRESENTED

CARRIED.

6. 2018-2019 STUDENT ENROLLMENT

The Secretary-Treasurer updated trustees on the 2018-2019 September 30 student enrollment data. There is an overall growth of 2.24% for a total of 10,311 students.

7. MONTHLY BUDGET INFORMATION

The Secretary-Treasurer provided a report for trustees to Review. The Audited Financial Statements for the 2017-2018 school year will be presented at the November Board meeting.

8. PAT/DIPLOMA RESULTS

The Associate Superintendent of Inclusive Learning provided trustees with a synopsis of the 2018 PAT and Diploma examination results. Dr. Khatib reviewed the Overall Achievement and Diploma Analysis, shared successes, and areas of growth and next steps. As a school division we are meeting the needs of our students as witness to our high school graduation rates as well as the number of students writing four or more diploma exams. There is, however, still work to be done with regard to increasing our Acceptable and Excellence levels in some areas. Schools will concentrate on this during the upcoming year through their School Improvement Plans.

9. MELT (MANDATORY ENTRY LEVEL TRAINING)

The Alberta government recently mandated training for new commercial drivers and strengthened safety requirements for commercial carriers to enhance public safety. Effective March 1, 2019, any person wanting to obtain a Class 1 (truck driver) or Class 2 (school bus driver) licence must take the Mandatory Entry Level Training (MELT) Program. The MELT program is a standardized curriculum that consists of in-classroom, in-vehicle (in-yard where the vehicle is not moving) and on-road training. Administration reviewed with Trustees the impact this will have on the division.

18/10/30-06-Hollman

**THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECESS
FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE
OF THE WHOLE, THE TIME BEING 8:15 P.M.**

CARRIED.

18/10/30-07-Lonsdale

THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECONVENE

CARRIED.

10. TRUSTEE LAGRANGE RESIGNATION

Trustee LaGrange successfully won the Red Deer North UCP nomination and will be running for MLA for Red Deer North in the upcoming provincial election. She informed her colleagues that she intends to resign from the RDCRS Board of Trustees prior to the end of this calendar year. Trustee Pasula, on behalf of his fellow trustees, acknowledged Trustee LaGrange thanking her for her commitment to the division over the past 11 years and wished her well on her new journey.

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

St. Patrick Modernization

Structural steel is complete. Roofing has started on the building and the floor was scheduled to be placed on October 24. Work is progressing on schedule and under budget.

Our Lady of the Rosary Modular addition

The modulares are ready for occupancy but we are still having issues with controlling the furnaces in these rooms.

Holy Trinity Modular addition

We expect to have these ready for occupancy by the end of October.

St. Matthew Modular addition

Work is continuing on these units with occupancy expected in late November.

Fr. Henri Voisin Modular addition

The modulares are now occupied.

REPORTS:

ASBA UPDATE

- A written report was provided.

ACSTA UPDATE

- No report.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

- AGM took place on October 29 and Mrs. Heather Lewchuk remains president.
- March 7 - Raising your glass to Education event and celebrating 10 years as a foundation. More details to follow.

RURAL CAUCUS

- Next meeting to be held on November 18.

Chair Watson lead the group in closing prayer.

18/10/30-08-Leyson

THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECESS FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, THE TIME BEING 8:50 P.M.

CARRIED.

18/10/30-09-LaGrange

THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECONVENE

CARRIED.

18/10/30-10-Heistad

THAT THE REGULAR MEETING ADJOURN, THE TIME BEING 9:45 P.M.

CARRIED.

(CHAIR)

(SECRETARY-TREASURER)