

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools, held January 28, 2020.

- Present: S. Heistad
M. Hollman
C. Leyson
D. Lonsdale
R. Maloughney
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
D. Khatib, Assoc. Sup't – Inclusive Learning
R. Steeves, Secretary-Treasurer
J. Heidt, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 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
Add: #10. UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT TRIPS

20/01/27-01-Leyson

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

20/01/27-02-Lonsdale

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 26, 2019 BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

3. DIVISION THREE YEAR EDUCATION PLAN 2019/2020 to 2021/2022 AND ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT 2018/2019

The Division Three Year Education Plan 2019/2020 to 2021/2022 and the Annual Education Results Report (AERR) for 2018/2019 were presented to Trustees. The Three-year Division Education Plan highlights the Division's priorities, trends and potential issues for the next three school years. The priorities continue to include emphasis on LIFT (Literacy, Inclusion, Faith and Technology) as well as working to improve Diploma exam marks through more assessment practices.

20/01/27-03-Hollman

THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE DIVISION'S THREE YEAR EDUCATION PLAN 2019/2020 to 2021/2022 AND THE ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT FOR THE 2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR, AS PRESENTED.

CARRIED.

4. SEPTEMBER 1 - NOVEMBER 30, 2019 DIVISION ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT

The Board had an opportunity to discuss the Division Accountability Report for the time frame September 1, 2019 to November 30, 2019. The report will be posted on the Division website.

20/01/27-04-Maloughney

THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE DIVISION ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT, FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1 - NOVEMBER 30, 2019 AS PRESENTED.

CARRIED.

5. REVISIONS TO POLICY 18 - EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Trustees reviewed a change to the Early Retirement Incentive Program (ERIP) brought forward by administration. The change would allow a teacher over 55 to apply for ERIP with no age cap for this year only. All applications will be due March 15, 2020 and brought to the Board at the March 31, 2020 meeting for approval.

20/01/27-05-Maloughney

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 18 - EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

6. MONTHLY BUDGET INFORMATION

The Secretary-Treasurer indicated that we are on budget and expect to be within our updated budget by year-end with the exception of some additional personnel costs (maternity leaves which are up \$150,000 compared to this time last year).

7. NAME OF NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

Trustees asked that the Communication Department proceed with the process of reaching out to stakeholders and the Red Deer community for input on a name for the new middle school. The names will be brought to the board in April at which time they will create a short list of potential names to be submitted to Archbishop Richard Smith for approval. Once the short list is approved it will be brought to the board for a final decision at the May board meeting.

8. FACILITY MASTER PLAN

On an annual basis administration reviews the Facility Master Plan (FMP) to determine priorities for the spending of the Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) funding provided to the board from Alberta Education. The plan is updated annually after review with schools and the maintenance department. A copy of the updated plan was presented to trustees for review and discussion. Safety, population growth and cost-saving opportunities are considered when reviewing and updating the plan.

9. POLICY REVIEW

Due to the implementation of the *Education Act* recently it is required that several Board Policies be reviewed to align with the *Act*. Trustees reviewed and revised Draft Policy 13 - School Closure. Trustees reviewed the proposed changes that align with the Education Act and after discussion approved changes.

20/01/27-06-Pasula

**THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE CHANGES TO
DRAFT POLICY 13 - SCHOOL CLOSURE, AS
PRESENTED.**

CARRIED.

10. UPCOMING STUDENT INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

The Superintendent updated Trustees on upcoming international field trips that will be occurring over the spring break which includes students travelling to Central Europe, Spain, Italy and Croatia. The Board was made aware that safety is paramount in the student trips and all measures of safety are taken into consideration using the Government of Canada Travel Advisories and Guidelines.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

St. Patrick's Community School

The renovation has been completed. The school has had some issues with heating in certain areas which are being handled by the contractor. A rededication ceremony will take place on February 4.

St. Benedict the Moor Centre

The renovations are on schedule and should be completed by April.

REPORTS:

ACSTA

- Next meeting February 6 & 7.
- GrACE is organizing an event for the public to attend in Red Deer when Dr. David Wells is here speaking. More details to follow.

ASBA

- Trustee Hollman gave a written report.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION

- Tickets are on sale for the annual fundraising event which will be held on March 5 at Kerrywood Nature Centre.

RURAL CAUCUS

- Alberta Rural Caucus Symposium will be held March 1- 3, 2020.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

1. Highlight the Three Year Ed Plan and AERR report.
2. Naming process of the new school.

Trustee Maloughney lead the group in closing prayer.

20/01/27-07-Leyson

**THAT THE REGULAR MEETING
ADJOURN, THE TIME BEING 8:01 P.M.**

CARRIED.

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(CHAIR)

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(SECRETARY-TREASURER)