

Minutes of a Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools, held February 25, 2020.

- Present: S. Heistad
M. Hollman
C. Leyson
D. Lonsdale
R. Maloughney and
K. Pasula, Trustees
R. Ledene, Assoc. Sup't – Faith Dev & Div Support
K. Finnigan, Interim Superintendent
D. Khatib, Assoc. Sup't – Inclusive Learning
R. Steeves, Secretary-Treasurer
J. Heidt, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 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
Addition to Agenda: #6. INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL TRIPS

20/02/25-01-Lonsdale

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

20/02/25-02-Pasula

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2020 AND SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 18, 2020 BE ADOPTED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED.

3. INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL DIVISION ADMINISTRATION MEETINGS WITH THE EDUCATION MINISTER

School divisions will be given the opportunity to meet individually with the Education Minister in March to discuss the budget and the new K-12 education funding model which will be released on February 27. Trustees would like to meet with the Minister and will contact Minister LaGrange's office to request a meeting date.

4. MONTHLY BUDGET INFORMATION

The Secretary-Treasurer indicated that maternity and substitute costs as well as uncertificated salaries remain higher than the prorated year to date budget. Mr. Steeves expects a \$2M deficit as projected.

5. MEETING WITH WILD ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION

Trustees wish to discuss the following items with the Wild Rose School Division on March 4:

1. Bussing
2. Calendar
3. Shared Services
4. School Fees
5. How is the budget affecting you?

6. UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL TRIPS

The Interim Superintendent updated Trustees on upcoming international trips that will be occurring over the spring break which includes students travelling to Central Europe, Spain, Italy and Croatia. Administration continues to be in contact with the trip coordinators and the travel agent in order to be certain that all safety measures are taken into consideration with regard to the Coronavirus outbreak. Administration will also contact Alberta Education for advice on the logistics and safety of accepting students moving here and wanting to attend school immediately upon their arrival.

7. POLICY REVIEW

Due to the implementation of the *Education Act* recently it is required that several Board Policies are reviewed to align with the *Act*. Trustees reviewed and revised Draft Policy 27 - Electoral Representations - Wards.

20/02/25-03-Pasula

**THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THE CHANGES TO
DRAFT POLICY 27 - ELECTORAL REPRESENTATIONS,
AS PRESENTED.**

CARRIED.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE

St. Benedict the Moor Centre

The administration of St. Gabriel Learning Centre has been working with the architects to make some slight changes to the original plan in order to make the space more usable as a learning centre. The completion date for the project will be late April or early May.

REPORTS:

ACSTA

- Trustee Pasula gave a written report.
- Currently two ACSTA representatives attend GrACE meetings and they intend to reduce it to one representative due to budget concerns.

ASBA

- Vice Chair 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

This month trustees will focus on the following communication with stakeholders:

1. Budget and capital plan

As the meeting closed, Interim Superintendent Finnigan thanked the Board for their trust in the Senior Administration team as they transition into new roles, responsibilities and determine priorities going forward.

Trustee Lonsdale led the group in closing prayer.

20/02/25-04-Lonsdale

**THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECESS FOR
THE COMMITTEE MEETING THE TIME BEING
6:50 P.M.**

CARRIED.

20/02/25-05-Maloughney

THAT THE REGULAR MEETING RECONVENE

CARRIED.

20/02/25-06-Heistad

**THAT THE REGULAR MEETING
ADJOURN, THE TIME BEING 8:53 P.M.**

CARRIED.

(CHAIR)

(SECRETARY-TREASURER)