

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FORT MCMURRAY CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE
ON 2013 04 29**

PRESENT

BOARD

Chair

Mrs. Tracy McKinnon

Vice Chair

Mr. Keith McGrath

Trustee

Mrs. Alison Rinas

Trustee

Mr. Kirk Behrisch

Trustee

Mrs. Geraldine Carbery

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools

Mr. George McGuigan

Deputy Superintendent

Mrs. Monica Mankowski

Recording Secretary

Mrs. Jill Tully

ABSENT

Assistant Superintendent Business,
Finance & Facilities

Mr. Francois Gagnon

CALL TO ORDER

1. Chair McKinnon called the meeting to order at 1705 hours.

**COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE:
IN CAMERA**

2.

#4190/13 *Moved by Trustee Behrisch to move in camera at 1810 hours.
MOTION CARRIED.*

#4191/13 *Moved by Trustee McGrath to move out of camera at 1816 hours.
MOTION CARRIED.*

RECESS

#4192/13 *Moved by Trustee Carbery to move into recess at 1828 hours.
MOTION CARRIED.*

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McKinnon called the meeting to order at 1900 hours.

PRAYER

3. Trustee Behrisch led the meeting with a prayer.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

4. The Agenda was adopted as presented.

#4193/13 *Moved by Trustee Behrisch that the Fort McMurray Catholic
Board of Education adopt the agenda as presented. MOTION
CARRIED*

**ADOPTION OF
PREVIOUS MINUTES
(REG.) 2013 03 26**

5. The Chair called for the review of the Regular Board Meeting minutes of March 26, 2013 and asked for any corrections. *There being no changes the minutes were adopted as presented.*

**BUSINESS ARISING
FROM MINUTES
2013 03 26**

5.1 There was no business arising from the minutes of the March 26, 2013.

**PUBLIC
PRESENTATIONS**

6.1 There were no public presentations.

**WELCOME TO NEW
SUPERINTENDENT**

The Chair extended a welcome to our new Superintendent of Schools, George McGuigan who assumed his new role as of April 1, 2013. The Chair also welcomed Deputy Superintendent, Inclusive Education, Monica Mankowski.

BOARD EDUCATION

SALUTE TO EXCELLENCE

- 7.1 Father Patrick Mercredi Art Teacher Jeannette Miller was contacted by Father Paul to see if she and her Fine Art students would consider completing a project for the church. This project was Stations of the Cross for St. Paul Church. The Father Mercredi High School fine arts team got to work on completing the 15 panels. The beautiful panels were completed and displayed in time for Holy Week. Mrs. Miller and her students were present to receive a Salute to Excellence from the Board.

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL

- 7.2 Principal John Barfoot made a presentation to the Board on "Science in Motion" a program offered by Telus World of Science. Each year several of our Fort McMurray Schools book Science in Motion to come to their schools. They provide assembly presentations for up to 250 people as well as individual curriculum related sessions aimed at individual grade levels. This year Science in Motion was at St. Gabriel School from April 16-18. All Grades 1 through 6 students had individual hands on sessions based on a topic of their choice. An evening presentation on electricity was also held so that students and parents could attend. The cost of these presentations was paid for by a generous donation from the St. Gabriel School Council.

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

- 7.3 Charles Weckend, our District Religious Education Coordinator provided the Board with an informative presentation on the various initiatives currently underway for spiritual renewal in the District. Highlights from the presentation to our staff by Mary Jo Leddy, author of *Radical Gratitude* were also presented.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURES - READING

- 8.1 Fort McMurray Catholic Schools has requested permission to acquire Reading 15 & 25 with 3 & 5 credits each from the Calgary School District No. 19. Board approval is required to authorize the use of these locally developed courses. The courses will be valid from September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2016.

#4194/13 *Moved by Trustee Rinas that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education today, April 29, 2012, authorizes the use of the Locally Developed courses, Reading 15-3, 15-5, 25-3 & 25-5, acquired from the Calgary School District No. 19. Authorized resources are as per the course outline. Authorization Period from September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016. MOTION CARRIED.*

CONSENT AGENDA

- 9.1

MONITORING REPORTS

BOARD OF GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-13

- 10.1 Chair McKinnon presented Board of Governance Policy GP-13 (Policy Development Process).

BOARD OF GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-14

- 10.2 Chair McKinnon presented Board of Governance Policy GP-14 (Appeals to the Board).

#4195/13 *Omnibus Motion by Trustee Carbery that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education approve Board of Governance Policy GP-13 (Policy Development Process) and Board of Governance Policy GP-14 (Appeals to the Board). MOTION CARRIED.*

**EXECUTIVE
LIMITATIONS POLICY
EL-4**

10.3 Superintendent McGuigan presented a monitoring report to the Board relative to Executive Limitation Policy EL-4 (Treatment of Students and Parents).

#4196/13 *Moved by Trustee Behrisch that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education approve Executive Limitations Policy EL-4 (Treatment of Students and Parents) and agree that it is in compliance. MOTION CARRIED.*

INFORMATION

**ALBERTA CATHOLIC
SCHOOL TRUSTEES
ASSOCIATION**

11.1 Trustee Carbery provided an update on the ACSTA April 4th. Directors' Retreat and the April 5th. Directors' Meeting. The Spring Conference was well received and planning is underway for the November AGM. Trustee Carbery also noted that information is available of the ACSTA web site for anyone interested in becoming a Catholic School Trustee.

**ALBERTA SCHOOL
BOARDS ASSOCIATION**

11.2 Chair McKinnon provided the Board with an update on the ASBA activities.

**COUNCIL OF SCHOOL
COUNCILS**

11.3 Trustee Behrisch advised that there was no meeting since the last report. The next meeting is May 1st, 2013 at the Catholic Education Centre, 7pm.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

12.1

ADJOURNMENT

#4197/13 *Moved by Trustee Carbery that the meeting be adjourned at 20:02 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*

CHAIR

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT BUSINESS, FINANCE &
FACILITIES