

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
FORT MCMURRAY CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION  
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE  
ON 2012 – 03 - 19**

**PRESENT**

**BOARD**

Chair	Mrs. Geraldine Carbery
Vice Chair	Ms. Cherie Cormier
Trustee	Mrs. Tracy McKinnon
Trustee	Mr. Keith McGrath
Trustee	Mr. Kirk Behrisch

**ADMINISTRATION**

Superintendent of Schools	Mr. Kim Jenkins
Deputy Superintendent	Mr. George McGuigan
Associate Superintendent Business and Finance	Mr. Francois Gagnon

**ABSENT**

Recording Secretary	Mrs. Jill Tully
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**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Chair Carbery called the meeting to order at 1710 hours.

**COMMITTEE OF THE  
WHOLE:  
IN CAMERA**

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*#4070/12 Moved by Trustee Cormier to move in camera at 1710 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*

*#4071/12 Moved by Trustee McKinnon to move out of camera at 1907 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*

**RECESS**

*#4072/12 Moved by Trustee McKinnon to move into recess at 1907 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Carbery called the meeting to order at 1912 hours.

**PRAYER**

3. Trustee McKinnon led the meeting with a prayer.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

4. The agenda was adopted as presented.

*#4073/12 Moved by Trustee McGrath that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education adopt the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED*

**ADOPTION OF  
PREVIOUS MINUTES  
(REG.) 2012 02 13**

5. The Chair called for the review of the Regular Board Meeting minutes of February 13, 2012 and asked for any corrections. *Declared by Chair Carbery that the minutes be adopted as presented.*

**BUSINESS ARISING  
FROM MINUTES 2012 02  
13**

5.1 There was no business arising from the minutes of the February 13, 2012 meeting.

**PUBLIC  
PRESENTATIONS**

6.1 There were no public presentations.

**BOARD EDUCATION  
ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL  
“OPEN MINDS”**

- 7.1 St. Gabriel School Principal John Barfoot provided a presentation entitled, “Chevron Open Minds Heritage Park Museum School”. Grade 2 & 5 students spent a week at the Heritage Park. It was a busy, rewarding week full of rich experiences. Principal Barfoot thanked the St. Gabriel School Council for their financial support of this program.

**SALUTES TO  
EXCELLENCE**

- 7.2 Superintendent Jenkins introduced Father Mercredi’s Principal Natasha MacArthur-Poole, Engineering Program Teacher Daron Dix and members of the Merc Bot Vex Robotic Team and the Merc Bot Lego Robotics Team from the Science & Technology Centre. The Science and Technology program was proud to have two robotics teams complete in their first ever, provincial tournaments this winter. The Grade 7&8 students completed at Alberta’s FIRST Lego Robotics competition, which represented 50 teams from across Alberta. The Grade 9&10 students competed in Alberta’s very FIRST VEX Robotics competition and were the sole representation from Fort McMurray. Both teams had very impressive results at these events. The Board was pleased to present each team with a Salute to Excellence and provided the team with reading resources to support their programs.

**HEALTH &  
ENVIRONMENT  
SYMPOSIUM UPDATE**

- 7.3 Father Mercredi Health Science lab Teacher, Stephanie Avery and Dominic Cachia, one of the students who attended the “What’s Worth Knowing: Health and The Environment Symposium in Toronto in November 2011 were present to provide the Board with an update on their trip and conference experience.

**ITEMS FOR DECISION**

**LOCALLY DEVELOPED  
COURSES - DANCE**

- 8.1 Fort McMurray Catholic Schools has requested permission to acquire Dance 15, 25, 35 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, 2012 through August 31, 2015.

**#4074/12 *Moved by Vice Chair Cormier that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education, today, March 19, 2012, authorizes the use of the Locally Developed courses, Dance 15-3, 15-5, 25-3, 25-5, 35-3 & 35-5, acquired from Calgary School District No. 19. Authorized resources are as per the course outline. Authorization Period from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015. MOTION CARRIED.***

**LOCALLY DEVELOPED  
COURSES – CREATIVE  
WRITING & PUBLISHING**

- 8.2 Fort McMurray Catholic Schools has requested permission to acquire Creative Writing & Publishing 15, 25, 35 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, 2012 through August 31, 2015.

**#4075/12 *Moved by Vice Chair Cormier that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education, today, March 19, 2012, authorizes the use of the Locally Developed courses, Creative Writing & Publishing 15-3, 15-5, 25-3, 25-5, 35-3 & 35-5, acquired from Calgary School District No. 19. Authorized resources are as per the course outline. Authorization Period from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015. MOTION CARRIED.***

## **LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURSES – RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

- 8.3 Fort McMurray Catholic Schools has requested permission to acquire Religious Studies 15-5, 25-3, 35-5 from the Edmonton Catholic School District No. 7. Board approval is required to authorize the use of these locally developed courses. The courses will be valid from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015.

**#4076/12** *Moved by Vice Chair Cormier that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education, today, March 19, 2012, authorizes the use of the Locally Developed courses Religious Studies 15-5, 25-3, 35-5 from the Edmonton Catholic School District No. 7. Authorized resources are as per the course outline. Authorization Period from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2015. MOTION CARRIED.*

## **NAMING OF NEW SCHOOL**

- 8.4 Principal Valerie Dyck was present to explain the process for the selection of the name for the new elementary school to be built in Eagle Ridge. The Board was presented with the committee's top three choices of names for the school.

**#4077/12** *Moved by Trustee McKinnon that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education accept the new name for the elementary school to be built in Eagle Ridge as Blessed (Saint) Kateri Catholic School. MOTION CARRIED.*

## **CAPITAL PLAN**

- 8.5 Associate Superintendent (Business & Finance) highlighted the priorities of the 2013-2017 Capital Plan.

**#4078/12** *Moved by Trustee McGrath that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education approve the 2013-2018 Capital Plan as presented. MOTION CARRIED.*

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 9.1 School Calendars for the next two school years will be on the District website this evening.

## **EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS MONITORING REPORTS**

- 10.1 Superintendent Kim Jenkins presented a monitoring report to the Board relative to Executive Limitation Policy EL-5 (Curriculum & Instruction).

**#4079/12** *Moved by Trustee Behrisch that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education accept the Superintendent's interpretation of Executive Limitation Policy EL-5 (Curriculum & Instruction) and agree that it is in compliance. MOTION CARRIED*

- 10.2 Superintendent Kim Jenkins presented a monitoring report to the Board relative to Executive Limitation Policy EL-8 (Asset Protection).

**#4080/12** *Moved by Trustee Behrisch that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education accept the Superintendent's interpretation of Executive Limitations Policy E-8 (Asset Protection) and agree that it is in compliance. MOTION CARRIED*

## **INFORMATION**

### **ACSTA REPORT**

- 11.1 Trustee McGrath provided an update on the ACSTA activities including the Catholic Education Conference in Calgary March 8 & 9. It was great to see the representatives from our District at the conference.

### **ASBA**

- 11.2 Trustee McKinnon provided an update on the ASBA activities including the great success of the Conversation on Education Café held in Fort McMurray on February 18<sup>th</sup>. There were 75 people in attendance, which was the highest attendee number for similar sessions held in the Province.

**COUNCIL OF SCHOOL  
COUNCILS**

11.3 Trustee Behrisch provided an update on the meeting held last week with members to discuss the upcoming school calendar.

**BOARD GOVERNANCE**

12.1

**ADJOURNMENT**

**#4081/12 *Moved by Trustee Behrisch that the meeting be adjourned at 20:15 hours. MOTION CARRIED.***

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CHAIR

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ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT BUSINESS AND FINANCE