

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
FORT MCMURRAY CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE
2019 02 11**

PRESENT	<u>BOARD</u> Chair Trustee Trustee	Mrs. Paula Galenzoski Mr. Keith McGrath Mr. Robert Yaro
	<u>ADMINISTRATION</u> Superintendent of Schools Deputy Superintendent Associate Superintendent Business, Finance & Facilities	Mr. George McGuigan Mrs. Monica Mankowski Mr. Francois Gagnon
	Recording Secretary	Ms. Vanessa Parsons
ABSENT	Trustee Vice Chair	Mr. Anthony Hoffman Mrs. Cathie Langmead

- CALL TO ORDER** 1.0 Chair Galenzoski called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours.
- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: IN CAMERA** #4682/19 *Moved by Trustee Yaro to go in camera at 18:10 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*
- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: OUT OF CAMERA** #4683/19 *Moved by Trustee Yaro to go out of camera at 18:30 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*
- PRAYER** 3.0 All Board Members including invited guest opened the meeting with a prayer.
- ADOPTION OF AGENDA** 4.0 The Agenda was adopted as presented.
- #4684/19 *Moved by Trustee Yaro that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education adopt the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.*
- ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (REG.) 2019 01 14** 5.0 The Chair called for the review of the Regular Board Meeting minutes of January 14, 2019.
There being no changes, the minutes were adopted as presented.
- BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES: (REG.) 2019 01 14** 5.1 There was no business arising from the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

6.0 There were no presentations.

OWNERSHIP LINKAGES

7.0 Kim Blatchford, Teacher with Fort McMurray Catholic Schools presented to the Board an overview of her personal experience with Educator Exchange Program.

The Alberta Teacher's Association and Alberta Education are pleased to highlight short-term exchanges for Teachers and Administrators under our revamped Educator Exchange Program (EEP), now offering an expanded selection of opportunities.

This program provides a suite of International Professional Development opportunities for Teachers and Administrators. Visiting another education system is an effective way to promote cultural understanding and to reflect upon and enhance practice. An exchange offers a unique opportunity to Teachers to compare and contrast various aspects of education.

The focus of the exchange can be inclusion; rural and remote education; STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics); second language learning; Indigenous education; leadership development; and other pedagogical best practices. Supported jointly by the Government and the Association, the EEP is looking to expand participation and the variety of experiences offered with a broader range of jurisdictions. We are particularly interested in developing short-term exchanges within the province and would welcome expressions of interest.

BOARD EDUCATION

8.0

ST. KATERI SCHOOL

8.1

Superintendent McGuigan introduced to the Catholic Board of Education St. Kateri School Principal Valerie Dyck, Vice Principal Kacey DePape, Ms. Bolduc, Teacher and students Anuva, Hunter & Zoha.

Ms. Dyck & Ms. Bolduc gave an overview of their topic "Career and Technology Foundations (CTF)", providing students the opportunity to explore their interests and career possibilities. Teachers offered courses based on their personal interests/expertise. Students in Grs. 4-6 participate in a chosen option for one hour/week. Students chose an option for Oct-Jan and a different option for Feb-May, except the Konservatory, which runs all year.

Anuva, Zoha & Hunter presented the different groups available through CTF. Kateri Konservatory (Students in the **Kateri Konservatory** focus on vocal training and musical

theatre), **Buddy’s Blazers- Northern Trailblazers Basketball** (Students work on improving their fundamental fitness skills and improve their physical fitness skills while enjoying basketball), **Fine Arts** (In this class, students explore and create art in the form of drawing, painting, and printmaking with the goal of nurturing and developing creativity.), **Social Justice Leadership** (Students learn what social justice is and enhance their leadership skills in order to make the world a better place!), **Conversational French** (Students are learning to communicate in French through many games, which focus on greetings, days of the week, months of the year, seasons, numbers, family, school and other frequently used vocabulary. In addition to learning to speak in French, students get a taste of the French culture through food and music!), **Readers’ Theatre** (Readers’ Theatre class is where scripts and stories come alive. Using minimalist props and costumes, students rely on expressive voices as they read directly from their scripts to convey meaning and emotion to the audience.), **Academic Enrichment** (Students receive extra support to better understand their schoolwork. This class helps with organization skills, presentation skills, curriculum content in a relaxed, fun, atmosphere using music, videos, group work, and drawing.) & **Yoga** (Beginner yoga will offer students basic yoga skills and relaxation. Stretching the body to increase flexibility and relaxing the mind to provide better focus.)

**FATHER MERCREDI
HIGH SCHOOL**

8.2

Superintendent McGuigan introduced to the Catholic Board of Education Holy Trinity High School Principal Lisa Miller, Vice Principals Kirsten McConnell, Jeff Power & Daron Van Ligen, Teachers Ms. Varga & Mrs. Hynes and students Brigid McCormick, Robert Spurrell & Max Lashkovskyi.

Ms. Varga & Mrs. Hynes gave an overview of their topic “Life Sciences Grades 7-9” and explained to continue the interest in High School Courses through Biology/Science/Health Sciences by developing scientific skills of: Using dichotomous keys, Dissection techniques, Scientific drawings, Microscopes, Plant germination and propagation, Troubleshooting (Plant health, Pollination). These skills were developed by the in classroom tower gardens and dissecting preserved earthworms and frogs.

**ITEMS FOR
DECISION**

9.0

**HOLY TRINITY HIGH
SCHOOL SERVICE
LEARNING TRIP
(SPRING BREAK 2019)
– LOCATION**

9.1

Superintendent McGuigan introduced to the Catholic Board of Education Holy Trinity High School Principal Lisa Hilsentenger and Teacher Ms. Macneill to address their request for change of location for their service learning trip. The Holy Trinity High School Teens for Change originally had

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a Service Learning Trip to Kenya scheduled during Spring Break 2019. Due to the recent events in Kenya, the school was able to change the location of the trip from Kenya to Peru and would like to receive approval from the Board of this change.

As this is an out of province field excursion, the Board must give approval pursuant to Operations Policy 354 (Field Trips and Excursions).

#4685/19 *Moved by Trustee Yaro be it resolved that the Fort McMurray Catholic Board of Education approve the request from Holy Trinity High School, Teens for Change Service Learning trip location change from Kenya to Peru during Spring Break 2019. MOTION CARRIED*

CONSENT AGENDA 10.0

MONITORING REPORTS 11.0

INFORMATION 12.0

ALBERTA CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION 12.1 Trustee Yaro presented a report to the Board.

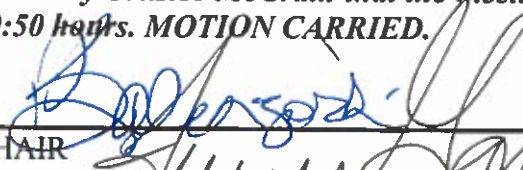
ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION 12.2 There was no report.

COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS 12.3 There was no report.


UPCOMING MEETINGS 13.0 The next Regular Board Meeting will be scheduled on March 11th, 2019.

BOARD GOVERNANCE 14.0

ADJOURNMENT **#4686/19** *Moved by Trustee McGrath that the meeting be adjourned at 19:50 hours. MOTION CARRIED.*



CHAIR



ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT BUSINESS, FINANCE & FACILITIES