

**ELK ISLAND CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DIVISION**  
**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING**  
**HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021 AT 2:32 P.M.**  
**CENTRAL LEARNING SERVICES, SHERWOOD PARK, ALBERTA**

<b>Present</b>	<b>Mr. Ted Paszek – Chair</b> <b>Mrs. Le-Ann Ewaskiw – Vice-Chair – via video-conference</b> <b>Mr. Ron Baier – Trustee – via video-conference</b> <b>Mr. Jean Boisvert – Trustee</b> <b>Mrs. Teresa Makowecki – Trustee – via video-conference</b> <b>Mr. Al Stewart – Trustee</b> <b>Mrs. Michelle Szott – Trustee – via video-conference</b> <b>Mr. Shawn Haggarty – Superintendent – via video-conference</b> <b>Ms. Cindy Wang – Secretary Treasurer</b> <b>Dr. Lorraine Court – Assistant Superintendent, Inclusive Learning Services – via video-conference</b> <b>Mr. Paul Corrigan – Assistant Superintendent, Faith and Wellness – via video-conference</b>
<b>Absent</b>	0
<b>Also present</b>	Mrs. Marie Frederick – Recording Secretary Mrs. Susan Johnson – Director, Communications Mrs. Lisa Wispinski – Executive Services Coordinator Ms. Andrea Haston – Religious Education Consultant – via video-conference
<b>Public</b>	3
<b>Call to Order</b>	Chair Ted Paszek called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Trustee Ron Baier led everyone in prayer and asked everyone to remember those who have lost loved ones and to remember all students, parents and staff during this difficult time.
<b>Singing of O' Canada</b>	Chair Ted Paszek welcomed everyone to the meeting and everyone joined together in the singing of O'Canada.
<b>Treaty Acknowledgement</b>	We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of Treaty No. 6, and home of Métis Nation of Alberta Zone 4. We also acknowledge the Inuit and other diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors have marked their territory since time immemorial, a place that has welcomed many peoples from around the world to make their home here.

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**Approval of the Agenda**      **027/2021**      **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board adopt the Agenda as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**Approval of the Minutes**      **028/2021**      **Trustee Al Stewart** moved that the minutes of the Public Board Meeting of March 17, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**PRESENTATION & DELEGATIONS:**

**Faith Formation**      Assistant Superintendent Faith and Wellness, Paul Corrigan, led Trustees on faith formation. Mr. Corrigan examined the issue of honesty.

**Inclusive Learning Services**      Assistant Superintendent Inclusive Learning Services, Lorraine Court, gave a power point presentation on the work of Inclusive Learning Services.

Trustees thanked Dr. Court for her presentation and for all the great work she and her Inclusive Learning Services staff have done. It brings great joy to see what is happening.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**2021 – 2022 ‘Final-Approval’ of Camrose Calendars**      Superintendent Shawn Haggarty briefed Trustees on the 2021-2022 Camrose Calendars and asked the ‘Final-Approval’ calendars be accepted as presented.

**029/2021**      **Trustee Ron Baier** moved that the Board accept the ‘Final-Approval’ St. Patrick Catholic School and Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic School 2021 – 2022 School Calendars as presented.

**CARRIED**

**Policy 10 – Policy Making**      **030/2021**      **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board give second reading to revised Policy 10 – Policy Making.

**CARRIED**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2021/2022 Division Fees**

Secretary Treasurer Cindy Wang briefed Trustees on the recommended 2021/2022 Division Fees.

**031/2021** **Trustee Jean Boisvert** moved that the Board of Trustees approve the 2021/2022 Division Fee schedule as presented.

**CARRIED**

**City of Fort  
Saskatchewan**

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty briefed Trustees on the City of Fort Saskatchewan's request for Representatives for their Task Force on surplus school sites.

**032/2021** **Trustee Ron Baier** moved that the Board send two trustees to the City of Fort Saskatchewan Task Force on surplus school sites.

**CARRIED**

**Break**

A comfort break was called at 4:00 p.m. and the Board reconvened at 4:10 p.m.

**Superintendent's Report:**

**Alberta Education's  
Curriculum Pilot**

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty highlighted the documentation on the curriculum pilot process and the decision matrix that was used by Elk Island Catholic Schools.

Mr. Haggarty recommended that Elk Island Catholic Schools does not participate in the curriculum pilot project.

Trustee Jean Boisvert asked for a recorded vote.

**033/2021** **Vice-Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw** moved that, following a thorough process that sought input from teachers, administration, parents and stakeholders and due to the pressures faced due to COVID, that Elk Island Catholic Schools refrain from piloting the new curriculum.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Trustees thanked Administration for including the Board and parents in the process.

**COVID Update**

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty gave a COVID update.

- 034/2021** **Trustee Michelle Szott** moved that the Board of Trustees write a letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Health, and c.c. our MLAs and MPs requesting that teachers, in-school staff and bus drivers be prioritized for receiving COVID vaccinations. Teachers, in-school staff and bus drivers are essential workers and need this safety measure.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Superintendent's report  
cont'd**

The Superintendent gave the remainder of his report:

- CEPAC
- GrACE Summit Provincial hosting by Elk Island Catholic Schools
- Alberta Education – Non-primary funding reduction reversal

- 035/2021** **Trustee Al Stewart** moved that the Board accept the Superintendent's Report for information.

**CARRIED**

**Secretary Treasurer's Report:**

Secretary Treasurer Cindy Wang highlighted her report:

1. March Division Financial Report
2. March Governance Financial Report
3. Summary of 2021/2022 Funding Profiles
  - 3.1 Budget Assumptions Presentation
4. Election Website

- 036/2021** **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board accept the Secretary Treasurer's Report for information.

**CARRIED**

**ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:**

**Correspondence:**

Chair Ted Paszek referred Trustees to the correspondence:

- Linking Generations – OLPH Student Participation
- Terry Fox – School Participation

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**Trustee Reports:**

**ACSTA**

Trustee Michelle Szott noted that the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association is hosting a virtual meeting on Thursday, April 22, 2021 regarding the draft curriculum.

Trustee Michelle Szott reminded Trustees that the SPICE and Blueprints conference is scheduled for April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Staff Recognition and Long Service Awards**

Trustee Michelle Szott and Trustee Ron Baier reported on the work of the Staff Recognition and Long Service Awards Committee.

The virtual meeting for recognizing our retirees will be held on May 31<sup>st</sup> and the long service awards will be given out at school staff meetings on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Rural Caucus**

Trustee Teresa Makowecki referred Trustees to the attached Agenda for the Rural Caucus Meeting that will be held April 27, 2021 from 11:30 am. to 2:30 p.m.

**ASBA**

Trustee Jean Boisvert indicated that the Board needs to have a meeting on the Alberta School Boards' Association's resolutions before ASBA's June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**037/2021** Trustee **Michelle Szott** moved that the Trustee Reports be accepted for information.

**CARRIED**

**May Public Board Meeting – date change**

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty asked that the May public board meeting be held on May 26<sup>th</sup>. This will alleviate a scheduling conflict that has arisen.

**038/2021** Trustee **Ron Baier** moved that the May Public Board meeting be held on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**CARRIED**

Vice-Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw thanked public members who attended our meeting and hoped that they join us in the future.

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**Board Meeting  
Evaluation**

Chair Ted Paszek asked Trustees to complete the Board Meeting Evaluation.

**Closing Prayer**

Trustee Teresa Makowecki ended the meeting with a prayer.

**Adjournment**

Chair Ted Paszek declared the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

**BOARD CHAIR**

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**SECRETARY TREASURER**

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