

ELK ISLAND CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DIVISION
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021 AT 2:37 P.M.
CENTRAL LEARNING SERVICES, SHERWOOD PARK, ALBERTA

Present	Mr. Ted Paszek – Chair Mrs. Le-Ann Ewaskiw – Vice-Chair Mr. Jean Boisvert – Trustee Mrs. Shelley Charchun – Trustee Mrs. Teresa Makowecki – Trustee Mr. Dean Sarnecki - Trustee Mr. Al Stewart – Trustee Mr. Shawn Haggarty – Superintendent Ms. Tracy Leigh – Secretary-Treasurer Mr. Paul Corrigan – Assistant Superintendent, Faith and Wellness Mrs. Therese deChamplain-Good – Assistant Superintendent, Educational Excellence
Absent	0
Also present	Mrs. Marie Frederick – Recording Secretary Mrs. Susan Johnson – Director, Communications Mrs. Lisa Wispinski – Executive Services Coordinator Mrs. Andrea Haston, Religious Education Consultant Mrs. Sara Eliason, Family Wellness Consultant
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Call to Order	Chair Ted Paszek called the meeting to order at 2:37 p.m. Chair Ted Paszek congratulated all Trustees elected and expressed his gratitude to those Trustees who served Elk Island Catholic Schools in the past.
Opening Prayer	Trustee Teresa Makowecki 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.
Singing of O' Canada	Chair Ted Paszek welcomed everyone to the meeting, and everyone joined together in the 'singing' of O'Canada.
Treaty Acknowledgement	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

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around the world to make their home here.

Approval of the Agenda **088/2021** **Vice-Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw** moved that the Board adopt the Agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

Approval of the Minutes **089/2021** **Trustee Al Stewart** moved that the minutes of the Public Board Meeting of September 22, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

PRESENTATION & DELEGATIONS:

Faith Formation

Assistant Superintendent, Faith and Wellness, Paul Corrigan thanked Trustees for their continued support of faith formation.

Elk Island Catholic Schools' theme is Called to More. We are not calling people to 'do' more. It is a call to be more. We were made for greatness. Become who you are.

Trustees thanked Mr. Corrigan for the faith formation session.

Faith and Wellness

Assistant Superintendent, Faith and Wellness, Paul Corrigan presented on the activities of Faith and Wellness Services. Mr. Corrigan introduced Mrs. Andrea Haston, Religious Education Consultant, who assists with the running of Faith and Wellness Services and Mrs. Sara Eliason, Family Wellness Consultant.

Mr. Corrigan answered Trustee questions.

Trustees thanked Mr. Corrigan for his report and asked that their gratitude be passed on to his staff.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Policy 5 – Role of the Board Chair **090/2021** **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board accept Policy 5 – Role of the Board Chair for second reading.

CARRIED

091/2021 **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board accept

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Policy 5 – Role of the Board Chair for third reading.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

**Advocacy regarding
COVID-19**

- EICS Board of Trustee correspondence sent to Minister of Health, Jason Copping and Minister of Education, Adriana LeGrange, September 24, 2021.
- Response from Minister of Education, Adriana LaGrange, October 15, 2021.

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty expressed appreciation for the advocacy of the Board.

- 092/2021** **Trustee Teresa Makowecki** moved that the Board of Trustees give our Chair, along with our Superintendent, direction to send a letter to the Minister of Health and the Minister of Education stating our objections to Boards having to make decisions regarding mandatory vaccinations and medical issues related to COVID.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Shawn Haggarty highlighted his report:

- September 30th, 2021 Enrollment
- 2021 – 2022 Average Class Size Data
- 2021 – 2022 Class Size Raw Data

- 093/2021** **Vice-Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw** moved that the Board accept the Superintendent's Report for information.

CARRIED

Secretary Treasurer's Report:

Secretary-Treasurer Tracy Leigh highlighted her report:

1. September Division Financial Report
2. September Governance Financial Report

- 094/2021** **Trustee Jean Boisvert** moved that the Board accept the

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Secretary-Treasurer's Report for information.

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:

Correspondence:

Chair Ted Paszek indicated that the Board received an email from the Canadian Armed Forces:

- Remembrance Day –cancellation of in-person Sherwood Park Remembrance Day Ceremony this year.

Trustees asked Administration to show Elk Island Catholic Schools' support for Remembrance Day, perhaps by purchasing a wreath for each of the Division's communities.

Trustee Reports:

ASBA

Trustee Jean Boisvert reported on the Alberta School Boards' Association.

095/2021 Trustee **Shelley Charchun** moved that the Trustee report be accepted for information.

CARRIED

Board Meeting Evaluation

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

Closing Prayer

Trustee Al Stewart ended the meeting with a prayer.

Adjournment

Chair Ted Paszek declared the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

BOARD CHAIR

SECRETARY TREASURER
