

## Elk Island Catholic Separate School Division

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting  
Held on October 26th, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.  
St. Patrick Catholic School, Camrose

**Board Members Present:** Le-Ann Ewaskiw, Board Chair  
Ted Paszek, Vice-Chair  
Jean Boisvert  
Shelley Charchun  
Teresa Makowecki  
Dean Sarnecki  
Al Stewart

**Board Members Absent:** 0

**Administration Present:** Paul Corrigan, Superintendent  
Tracy Leigh, Secretary-Treasurer  
Thérèse deChamplain-Good, Assistant Superintendent  
Jody Seymour, Director Student and Staff Formation  
Lisa Wispinski, Executive Services Coordinator/Recording Secretary

**Public:** 0

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| <b>Call to Order</b>        | Board Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm  |
| <b>Opening Prayer</b>       | Trustee Teresa Makowecki welcomed St. Patrick students Devin and Reece, who opened the meeting with a prayer. Trustee Makowecki offered prayers of condolences.  |
| <b>Singing of O'Canada</b>  | Board Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw welcomed everyone to the meeting, and thanked St. Patrick Catholic School students and staff for hosting the Board.<br>Board Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw asked everyone to join in singing of O'Canada.  |
| <b>Land Acknowledgement</b> | St. Patrick student Devin, led the Board in the land acknowledgement.<br>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.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**076/2022**

**Vice Chair Ted Paszek** moved to approve the agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

**Approval of the Minutes**

**077/2022**

Trustees asked to move the prayers offered for Queen Elizabeth II and all those suffering in Ukraine to the Opening Prayer section. Trustees asked that motion 071/2022 be changed to say to amend the scheduled start time of the Public Board Meetings for 2022/2023 to 1:00 pm.

**Trustee Shelley Charchun** moved to approve the minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on September 21, 2022 as amended.

**CARRIED**

**Presentations and Delegations**

**Faith Formation**

Superintendent Paul Corrigan introduced Director of Student and Staff Formation, Jody Seymour.

Director of Student and Staff Formation, Jody Seymour, led the Board in Faith Formation, exploring the purpose of Catholic Schools by looking at our mission. Students at Elk Island Catholic Schools are provided with a faith integrated education environment through worship, witness and service.

**Student and Staff Formation**

Director of Student and Staff Formation Jody Seymour presented information on her team, celebrating the exceptional work in Jesus's name in Student and Staff Formation.

Jody Seymour introduced her team at Central Learning Services and in the schools, which includes Chaplains, Health Champions, EAL Leads, Library Techs, and Indigenous Leads. Student and Staff Formation carries out the work for 3 strategic priorities - Faith Integration, Learners and Learning, and Systemic Wellness.

The Board thanked Jody Seymour for her presentation, and for the work done by her team in Student and Staff Formation.

**Unfinished Business**

**Policy Committee Updates**

**078/2022**

**Trustee Dean Sarnecki** moved to accept Policy 5 - Role of the Chair and Vice Chair as presented for second reading.

**CARRIED**

079/2022

Trustee Shelley Charchun moved to accept Policy 6 - Board Operations as presented for second reading.

CARRIED

### New Business

#### June Organizational Meeting

The Board acknowledged that the June 14th, 2023 meeting will also include an organizational meeting.

### Superintendent's Report

#### September 30 Enrolment Report

Actual and projected enrolment rates have increased over 2021/2022. Fall Actual (FTE) enrolment numbers as of September 30, 2022 are 7,897, which includes 1,740 Home Education students.

#### Average Class Size Data

The overall division average for class size data for 2022/2023 is:

- Gr K-4: 21.37
- Gr 4 - 6: 22.67
- Gr 7-9: 25.06
- Gr 10-12: 23.03

#### Admin Retreat Update

#### Catholic School Review - Holy Redeemer Catholic School

Administration completed the Catholic School Review with Holy Redeemer Catholic School staff, students and parents October 3-5, 2022.

#### Catholic Education Sunday - November 13th, 2022

Elk Island Catholic Schools will celebrate Catholic Education Sunday on November 13th, 2022. Trustees are welcome to attend school masses.

#### Remembrance Day Ceremonies

Local ceremonies will be shared with the Board, and invites will be extended. Wreaths will be purchased in all four communities.

#### 2022 Minister's Awards for Municipal and Public Library Excellence in Enhancing Community Safety

080/2022

Trustee Jean Boivert moved to accept the Superintendent's report as presented.

CARRIED

## Secretary Treasurer Report

### September Division Financial and Governance Report

081/2022

Secretary Treasurer Tracy Leigh shared the September Financial and Governance Reports with the Board.

**Trustee Al Stewart** moved to accept the Secretary Treasurer Report as presented.

**CARRIED**

### Correspondence

- Ukrainian Eparchy Bishop's Gala

### Trustee Reports

None at this time.

### Board Meeting Evaluation

Trustees completed the Board Meeting Evaluation form.

### Closing Prayer

Trustee Shelley Charchun closed the meeting with a prayer

### Adjournment

Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw thanked St. Patrick school staff and students for hosting the Board Meeting today, and to the Board for their support, learning, and insight. Board Chair Le-Ann Ewaskiw declared the meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

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Board Chair, Le-Ann Ewaskiw

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Secretary Treasurer, Tracy Leigh