

Elk Island Catholic Separate School Division

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting

Held on April 17th, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.

Elk Island Catholic Schools, Sherwood Park, AB

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

Administration Present: Paul Corrigan, Superintendent
 Tracy Leigh, Secretary-Treasurer
 Brett Cox, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources
 Thérèse deChamplain-Good, Assistant Superintendent Educational
 Excellence
 Jody Seymour, Director of Student and Staff Formation
 Michael Di Massa, Communications Coordinator
 Lisa Wispinski, Recording Secretary

Public: 4

Call to Order	Chair Ewaskiw called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm and welcomed guests and members of the public.
Opening Prayer	Trustee Makowecki opened the meeting with prayer. Chair Ewaskiw offered condolences to those who have lost loved ones.
Singing of O'Canada	The Board joined in the singing of O'Canada.
Acknowledgement of Land and People	Elk Island Catholic Schools acknowledges that we are, in all the schools and communities of EICS, located within the traditional land of Treaty No.6 and home of the Métis Nation. 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

	<p>to make their home here.</p> <p>These traditional territories are a vast area encompassing large portions of central Alberta and central Saskatchewan, an area in which we live, work and play each and every day</p>
Approval of the Agenda	<p>036/2024 Trustee Sarnecki moved that the agenda be adopted as circulated. <i>CARRIED.</i></p>
Approval of the Minutes	<p>037/2024 Trustee Stewart moved that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the March 20th, 2024 Public Board Meeting as circulated. <i>CARRIED.</i></p>
Presentations / Delegations	
Faith Formation	<p>Director Jody Seymour led the board in Faith Formation, on Witness, The Church's Missionary Transformation.</p> <p>The Board was offered an opportunity to reflect on how to adapt our methods to serve the Elk Island Catholic community to achieve our goals as missionary disciples.</p>
Business Services	<p>Finance Manager Heather Whyte shared a presentation with the Board of Trustees outlining the work that Business Services does to support staff in our division, and introduced the Business Services Team to the Board.</p> <p>Chair Ewaskiw thanked the Business Services Team for their hard work in supporting our staff and the division, and for sharing a bit about themselves with the Board.</p>
Unfinished Business	
New Business	
ASBA Edwin Parr Award - Outstanding First Year Teacher	<p>Each year the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) honours six outstanding first-year teachers with the Edwin Parr Teacher Award. School boards may nominate any first-year K to 12 teacher who has taught in an Alberta school jurisdiction which is a member of the ASBA.</p> <p>2023-2024 ASBA Edwin Parr Nominee: Amanda McAra - St. John XXIII Catholic School</p>

	<p>2023/24 Edwin Parr EICS Winner, Zone 2/3 Representative: Andria Diduck - St. Luke Catholic School</p> <p>038/2024 Trustee Charchun moved that the Board of Trustees publicly acknowledge and congratulate the Elk Island Catholic Schools’ ASBA Edwin Parr Award Nominee for having done an outstanding job in their first year of teaching.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED.</i></p>																								
<p>Excellence in Catholic Education Awards</p>	<p>Each year the Council of Catholic School Superintendents of Alberta honours one teacher or school administrator from each Catholic jurisdiction in the province who has done an exemplary job in preparing our youth to grow into outstanding Catholic citizens. Nominees are passionate about Catholic education and the students they teach, inspire their students, and demonstrate commitment to Catholic education and teaching excellence.</p> <p>An EICS Excellence in Catholic Education award for Support Staff. This award mirrors the CCSSA award, but is designed for our support staff.</p> <p>2023/24 CCSSA Excellence in Catholic Education Award Nominees:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Brett Fawcett</td><td>St. Isidore Learning Centre</td></tr> <tr><td>Donna Hayden</td><td>St. Luke Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Jennifer Maynard</td><td>St. John XXIII Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Jennifer Smadis</td><td>St. John Paul II Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Jessica Billingsley</td><td>St. Theresa Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Josh Stang</td><td>Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Kevin Haugan École</td><td>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Kiera O’Toole</td><td>Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Lavonne Leeson</td><td>St. John Paul II Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Robert Stecyk</td><td>St. John Paul II Catholic School</td></tr> </table> <p>2023/24 CCSSA Excellence in Catholic Education Winner: Elizabeth Esposito-McLean St. André Bessette Catholic School</p> <p>2023/24 Nominees EICS Excellence in Catholic Education Award for Support Staff:</p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Eleanor Hessing</td><td>St. John XXIII Catholic School</td></tr> <tr><td>Michelle Johnston</td><td>St. John Paul II Catholic School</td></tr> </table> <p>2023/24 EICS Support Staff Winner: Lisa Wispinski EICS Central Learning Services</p>	Brett Fawcett	St. Isidore Learning Centre	Donna Hayden	St. Luke Catholic School	Jennifer Maynard	St. John XXIII Catholic School	Jennifer Smadis	St. John Paul II Catholic School	Jessica Billingsley	St. Theresa Catholic School	Josh Stang	Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic School	Kevin Haugan École	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School	Kiera O’Toole	Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School	Lavonne Leeson	St. John Paul II Catholic School	Robert Stecyk	St. John Paul II Catholic School	Eleanor Hessing	St. John XXIII Catholic School	Michelle Johnston	St. John Paul II Catholic School
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	<p>039/2024 Vice Chair Paszek moved that the Board publicly acknowledge and congratulate the Elk Island Catholic Schools' CCSSA Excellence in Catholic Education Award winners and the EICS Excellence in Catholic Education Support staff award winner for their excellent work in facilitating the faith development of students</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED.</i></p>
CUPE Memorandum of Agreement	<p>040/2024 Vice Chair Paszek moved that the Board of Trustees approves and ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement between Elk Island Catholic Separate School Division and The Canadian Union for Public Employees for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2024.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</i></p>
2024-2025 Division Fee Schedule	<p>041/2024 Trustee Boisvert moved that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024-2025 Division Fee Schedule as recommended.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</i></p>
2024-2025 School Fee Minimum Schedule	<p>042/2024 Trustee Boisvert moved that the Board of Trustees approve the 2024-2025 School Fee Maximum Schedule as recommended.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.</i></p>
Superintendent's Report	
	<p>Superintendent Corrigan shared updates on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EICS sponsorship for local Elders to attend the College of Alberta Superintendents (CASS) First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Education Gathering ● St. Joseph's College Graduation ● Annual School and Department Assurance Presentations ● Staffing Process for 2024/2025 School Year ● Update on the Budget for 2024/2025 ● Update on the Science Kit Partnership with Elk Island Public Schools. ● Fort Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce State of the City Luncheon with Mayor Gale Katchur. ● Young Authors Conference ● Archdiocese Art Award Celebration <p>043/2024 Trustee Makowecki moved that the Board of Trustees receive the Superintendent Report as information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED.</i></p>
Secretary Treasurer Report	
	<p>Secretary Treasurer Tracy Leigh presented the March Financial and</p>

	<p>Governance Reports.</p> <p>044/2024 Trustee Charchun moved that the Board of Trustees receive the Secretary-Treasurer’s Report as information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED</i></p>
Correspondence	
	<p>Chair Ewaskiw shared the following correspondence with the Board of Trustees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● REAL Foundation ● GrACE Summit ● Minister’s Youth Council
Trustee Reports	
Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association (ACSTA)	Trustee Sarnecki shared a verbal report about ACSTA.
Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	<p>Trustee Boisvert shared a verbal report about ASBA.</p> <p>045/2024 Trustee Sarnacki moved to accept verbal trustee reports as information.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>CARRIED.</i></p>
Board Meeting Evaluation	Trustees were encouraged to complete the Board Meeting Evaluation.
Closing Prayer	Trustee Stewart led the closing prayer.
Adjournment	Chair Ewaskiw declared the meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Board Chair, Le-Ann Ewaskiw

Secretary Treasurer, Tracy Leigh