



EDMONTON  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

## Board of Trustees

Special Public Board Meeting Agenda 2011-2012: #3

Date: October 5, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Room 206, Catholic Education Services  
9807-106 Street, Edmonton AB T5K 1C2

Phone: 780 441-6002

Web: [www.ecsd.net](http://www.ecsd.net)

### 1. Call to Order 5 Min

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|        | 1.1 | Opening Prayer           | M. Bergstra |
|        | 1.2 | Roll Call                |             |
| 20 Min | 1.3 | Comments from the Public |             |
|        | 1.4 | Consent Agenda           |             |
|        | 1.5 | Agenda                   |             |

### 2. Minutes 5 Min

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|  | 2.1 | Minutes of the Previous Meeting     |  |
|  |     | A. September 13, 2011               |  |
|  |     | B. September 20, 2011               |  |
|  | 2.2 | A. Matters Arising from the Minutes |  |

### 3. Business of the Meeting

#### 3.1 Administrative Business

##### A. Reports for Information

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|--------|-------|---|-------------------|
| 15 Min | (i)   | Provincial Achievement Test Results 2010-2011 | J. Carr, B. Radyo |
| 15 Min | (ii)  | Grade XII Diploma Exam Results 2010-2011      | J. Carr, B. Radyo |
| 10 Min | (iii) | Accountability Pillar                         | J. Carr           |

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Becky Kallal, Ward 71  
Larry Kowalcyk, Ward 72

Cindy Olsen, Ward 73  
Debbie Engel, Ward 74  
John Acheson, Ward 75

Marilyn Bergstra, Ward 76  
Laura Thibert, Ward 77

#### SUPERINTENDENT

Joan Carr





## *Board of Trustees*

### **Public Board Meeting Minutes**

**2011-2012: #1**

Date: September 13, 2011

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Room 206, Catholic Education Services  
9807-106 Street, Edmonton AB T5K 1C2

Phone: 780 441-6002

Web: [www.ecsd.net](http://www.ecsd.net)

#### **1 Call to Order**

Board Chair Engel called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.  
Trustee Olsen began the meeting with the opening prayer.

#### **Present**

Debbie Engel, Board Chair  
John Acheson  
Marilyn Bergstra  
Becky Kallal, Vice-Chair  
Larry Kowalczyk  
Cindy Olsen  
Laura Thibert

#### **Comments from the Public**

There were no comments from members of the public.

#### **Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda item below was deleted from the agenda.

A. Confirm April 30, 2012 Public Board Meeting Day

#### **Agenda**

**Trustee Acheson** moved that the agenda be approved as circulated with the following addition:

3.3B School Opening Mass, J. Acheson

**Carried**

#### **2. Minutes**

2.1 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

**A. June 14, 2011**

**Trustee Acheson** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the June 14, 2011 Public Board Meeting minutes as circulated.

**Carried**

**B. June 28, 2011**  
**Trustee Kallal** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the June 28, 2011 Public Board Meeting minutes as circulated.

**Carried**

**C. June 28, 2011 Organizational Meeting**  
**Trustee Acheson** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the June 14, 2011 Organizational Meeting as circulated.

**Carried**

**2.2 A. Matters Arising from the Minutes**  
There were no matters arising from the minutes.

### **3. Business of the Meeting**

#### **3.1 Administrative Business**

**A. Reports for Information**

**(i) CEO Report on Summer Activities**

**Trustee Kallal** moved that the Board of Trustees receives as information the CEO report on activities during the 2011 summer recess.

**Carried**

**(ii) Emergency Executive Succession Plan**

**Trustee Bergstra** moved that The Board of Trustees of Edmonton Catholic Separate School District #7 receives as information that in accordance with Board Governance Policy, Administrative Responsibilities and Authorities ARA #1, the following individuals will assume responsibilities of the Superintendent in the event of absence during the 2011-2012 school year:

- Laurie Pelkie, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resource Services
- Leo Turcotte, Assistant Superintendent, Leadership Services/Information & Infrastructure Technology Services

**Carried**

**B. Reports Requiring Action** There were no reports scheduled.

#### **3.2 Board Business**

**A. Reports for Information** There were no reports scheduled.

**B. Reports Requiring Action**

**(i) Endorsement for Debbie Engel for ACSTA Vice-Chair**

**Trustee Kallal** moved that the Board of Trustees endorses the candidacy of Trustee Debbie Engel for the position of Vice-Chair of the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association at the upcoming Annual General Meeting in November of 2011.

**Carried**

**(ii) Resolution for ACSTA AGM in November**

**Trustee Acheson** moved:

- (a) That the attached proposed resolution regarding an amendment to s10(4) of the proposed *Education Act* be submitted to the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA) for consideration by the membership of the ACSTA at their 2011 Annual General Meeting in November 2011, and further,
- (b) prior to it being tabled with the ACSTA that, if deemed to be helpful, the Board be open to minor modifications being affected in the wording of the proposed resolution to ensure its clarity.

**Trustee Olsen** moved that an amendment to the attached resolution for the 2011 ACSTA Annual General Meeting as follows:

First paragraph, fourth line: delete the words 'Protestant or Catholic.'

**Carried**

Opposed: J. Acheson  
M. Bergstra

The vote was taken on the main motion by Trustee Acheson in which the amendment to the resolution for the ACSTA AGM was approved, and it was..... **Carried**

**(iii) Webcasting of Public Board Meetings**

**Trustee Bergstra** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the webcasting of the Board of Trustees' Public Meetings for the 2011-2012 year.

**Trustee Olsen** moved an amendment to add the following:  
"at which time an evaluation of the initiative will be made."

**Carried**

The vote was taken on the main motion by Trustee Bergstra, as amended, as follows, and it was..... **Carried**

*That the Board of Trustees approves the webcasting of the Board of Trustees' Public Meetings for the 2011-2012 year at which time an evaluation of the initiative will be made.*

At 5:10 p.m. Vice-Chair Kallal assumed the chair.

**(iv) Recording of Board Planning Meetings**

**Trustee Engel** moved that that the Board of Trustees audio tape Board Planning Meetings effective immediately.

**Trustee Kowalczyk** moved that the motion be referred to the next Board Planning Meeting.

**Defeated**

Opposed: C. Olsen, D. Engel, B. Kallal, L. Thibert

**Trustee Bergstra** moved an amendment to add the following:

“for the purposes of verifying the events when a trustee cannot recall what was discussed or when the Corporate Secretary may require clarification for the notes.”

**Carried**

The vote was taken on the main motion as amended, as follows, and it was..... **Carried**

Opposed: J. Acheson

M. Bergstra

B. Kallal

*That the Board of Trustees audio tape Board Planning Meetings effective immediately for the purposes of verifying the events when a trustee cannot recall what was discussed or when the Corporate Secretary may require clarification for the notes.*

### **3.3 New Business**

5 Min

#### **A. Schedule Special Public Meetings**

(i) September 20, 2011

(ii) October 5, 2011

**Trustee Acheson** moved That the Board of Trustees schedules two Public Board Meetings as follows:

September 20, 2011, 12:00 p.m.

October 5, 2011, 12:00 p.m.

Both meetings will be held in the Board Room at Catholic Education Services, 9807-106 Street.

**Carried**

#### **B. School Opening Mass**

**Trustee Acheson** that the Board formally recognizes the long-term leadership and involvement of the membership of the Edmonton Catholic local of the Alberta Teachers' Association in organizing the School Opening Mass that, in a very real way, celebrates and symbolizes the centrality of Jesus Christ in the Board's program of Catholic Education and involvement of the ATA .

Vice-Chair Kallal assumed the chair at 5:15 p.m.

Trustee Engel moved an amendment to :

- strike out the words: 'of the Edmonton Catholic Local of the Alberta Teachers' Association' and 'involvement of the ATA', and
- add the words: 'Edmonton Catholic employee groups to replace the words : 'of the Edmonton Catholic Local of the Alberta Teachers'

**Carried**

Opposed: M. Bergstra, J. Acheson

A vote was taken on the motion as amended to read as follows and it was..... **Carried**

*That the Board formally recognizes the long-term leadership and involvement of the Edmonton Catholic Schools employee group in organizing the School Opening Mass that, in a very real way, celebrates and symbolizes the centrality of Jesus Christ in the Board's program of Catholic Education.*

Chair Engel assumed the chair at 5:37 p.m.

**4. Adjournment**

- 4.1 Trustee Olsen said the Closing Prayer
- 4.2 Board Chair Engel declared the meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Corporate Secretary

RESOLUTION TO THE  
2011 ACSTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Amendment to S10(4) of the Proposed *Education Act*

Be it resolved that the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Minister of Education requesting that section 10 (4) of the proposed *Education Act* [Bill 18] be amended in a manner that would ensure that Separate School Boards exist to serve the educational needs of the minority Protestant or Catholic residents of those boards and to this end the act of acceptance or non-acceptance of non-resident students be at the sole discretion of the individual boards.

RATIONALE

Section 10(4) of Bill 18 reads, in part, as follows:

*A board **SHALL** ... enroll a resident student of another board ... that is requested by a parent... if there are sufficient resources and facilities ...*

The manner in which Section 10(4) is currently written would force a separate school board to accept as many non-resident students as could be accommodated in existing facilities simply on the request of a parent – this whether or not they wanted their children to be part of the Protestant or Catholic ethos of the school. Separate school boards would have no discretion as to which non-resident students or how many non-resident students would be allowed to register in those district schools that had space to accommodate them. The parents of non-resident students would determine if their children were to come to a separate school, if space were available, as opposed to the separate board making that determination.

The resolution, if passed and if acted on by the Minister, would not affect in any way the decision of individual separate boards to accept non-resident students; it would not impose any limitations on separate boards to pass policies, regulations, or procedures regarding which or how many non-resident students they would accept. It would however maintain the authority and autonomy of separate Protestant and Catholic boards to be the final arbiter vis a vis the enrollment of non-resident students in their district and in their schools.

September 13, 2011



## *Board of Trustees*

### **Special Public Board Meeting Minutes**

#### **2011-2012: #2**

Date: September 20, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m.

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Phone: 780 441-6002

Web: [www.ecsd.net](http://www.ecsd.net)

#### **1. Call to Order**

Board Chair Engel called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m. and began the meeting with the Opening Prayer.

##### **Present**

Debbie Engel, Board Chair  
John Acheson  
Marilyn Bergstra  
Becky Kallal, Vice-Chair  
Larry Kowalczyk  
Laura Thibert

##### **Absent**

Cindy Olsen

**Trustee Bergstra** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda of the September 20, 2011 Public Board Meeting as circulated.

**Carried**

#### **2.. Business of the Meeting**

##### **2.1 Clareview High School Completion Centre Tender**

At 12:20 p.m. Trustee Thibert declared a possible conflict of interested and was excused from the meeting by Board Chair Engel.

**Trustee Kallal** moved that the Board of Trustees approves the acceptance of the tender bid by Clark Builders for the Clareview High School Completion Centre.

**Carried**

At 12:34 p.m. Trustee Thibert returned to the meeting.

**3. Adjournment**

3.1 Board Chair Engel said the Closing Prayer.

3.2 Trustee Thibert moved that the meeting adjourn at 12:37 p.m.

**Carried**

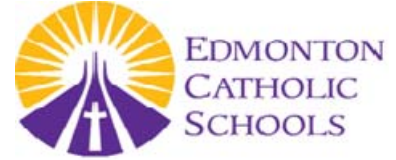
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Board Chair

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Corporate Secretary

# School Calendar 2012-2013



First Day of Operation  
**August 30, 2012**  
 First Day of Instruction  
**September 4, 2012**  
 Last Day of Instruction  
**June 28, 2013**  
 Last Day of Operation  
**June 28, 2013**

July 2012							August 2012							September 2012						
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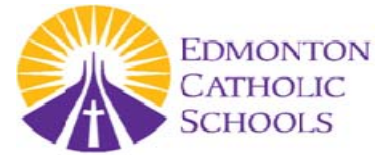
- Non instructional Days
- Non-Operational Days
- Cancellation of early dismissal
- Early Dismissal

Labour Day.....September 3  
 Thanksgiving Day.....October 8  
 Remembrance Day Weekend.....Nov 10-12  
 Christmas Vacation..... Dec 24 - Jan 4  
 Faith Development Day.....Feb 5  
 Family Day .....Feb 18  
 Teachers' Convention..... Feb 28-Mar 1  
 Spring Break.....March 25-29  
 Good Friday.....March 29  
 Easter Monday.....April 1  
 Victoria Day.....May 20

	Operational	Instructional
MONTH	# of Days	# of Days
August	2	0
September	19	19
October	22	22
November	21	21
December	15	15
January	19	19
February	19	17
March	16	15
April	21	21
May	22	22
June	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>191</b>



# Year-Round School Calendar 2012-2013



July 2012							August 2012							September 2012							
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First Day of Operation

**August 10, 2012**

First Day of Instruction

**August 13, 2012**

Last Day of Instruction

**June 28, 2013**

Last Day of Operation

**June 28, 2013**

- Labour Day..... Sept 3
- Fall Break ..... Oct 8 -19
- Remembrance Day Weekend.. Nov 10-12
- Christmas Vacation ..... Dec 24 - Jan 4
- Faith Development Day ..... Feb 5
- Family Day ..... Feb 18
- Teachers' Convention .. Feb 28 - Mar 1
- Spring Break ..... Mar 25 - Apr 5
- Good Friday ..... Mar 29
- Easter Monday ..... Apr 1
- Victoria Day ..... May 20

	Operational	Instructional
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March	16	15
April	17	17
May	22	22
June	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>191</b>

Non instructional Days  
 Non-Operational Days

Cancellation of early dismissal  
 Early Dismissal



Approved October 5, 2011

*October 5, 2011 Special Board Meeting 3.1B*

October 5, 2011

To: The Board of Trustees

From: Joan Carr  
Superintendent

Originator: Boris Radyo, Assistant Superintendent  
Educational Planning

**Re: 2012-2013 District School Year Calendar**

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Attached for your information is the District School Year Calendar for the 2012-2013 school year. As per Administrative Regulation 115.1 - District School Year Calendar, the 2012-2013 District School Year Calendar:

1. Contains the required minimum 191 instructional days.
2. Commences with two consecutive teacher preparation days on August 30 and 31.
3. Instruction begins on Tuesday, September 4 and concludes on Friday, June 28.
4. Christmas vacation begins on December 24 and concludes on Friday, January 4.  
Schools reopen on January 7.
5. Faith Development Day is on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.
6. The Spring Break begins on Monday, March 25 and concludes on Friday, March 29.

Schools will organize their hours of operation to meet the minimum requirement established by Alberta Education: 950 hours of instruction for elementary and junior high students, 1000 hours of instruction for senior high school students.

Our district calendar also takes into account the scheduling of provincial achievement tests and diploma examinations. The last test and examination for the 2012-2013 school year will be written on June 27. Therefore, June 28 has been designated as an instructional day. This will allow schools sufficient time to prepare and distribute final summative evaluations.

The 10 month calendar is followed by all District schools except for Mother Teresa School, St. Alphonsus School and

St. Catherine School which follow a Year Round Schooling 11 month calendar. Schools may apply to the Superintendent for approval to modify their calendar to meet local needs, as in the case of St. Catherine, St. Alphonsus and Mother Teresa schools. The proposed 2012-2013 Year Round School Calendar is attached for your information.

**Recommendations:**

The recommendation is that the Board of Trustees, in two separate motions:

1. approves the 2012-2013 District School Year Calendar
2. receives as information the 2012-2013 Year Round School Calendar.

October 4, 2011 Public Board Meeting 3.2B(i)

To: The Board of Trustees

From: Becky Kallal  
Trustee

**Re: Redesigning of Board Committee Structure, Committees of the Board**

### **Resolution**

I move that the Board of Trustees of Edmonton Catholic Schools:

(A) immediately dissolves the following standing Committees of the Board:

- Board Advocacy Committee
- Board Development Committee
- Board Policy Development and Review Committee
- Board Public Engagement Committee; and further

(B) immediately changes the Council of Elders from being a Committee of the Board to being a standing District Committee, with one trustee sitting on it.

### **Background**

Recently the Board of Trustees participated in a discussion with a governance expert to review the principles of governance and to examine ways to govern that would help the Board to do its work in the most productive and efficient manner. One of the recommendations that came out of the retreat was to strike a "Board Governance Priorities Committee" that would be a committee of the whole. I believe that this is an excellent recommendation, and I give my colleagues notice that I intend to pursue the establishment of such a committee.

Another consideration that was referred to at the session referred to above is that when the Board is looking at a committee, it should be able to easily identify the value that the committee adds to the governance of the Board.

Trustees currently serve five categories of committees:

1. Committees of the Whole
2. Provincial Committees
3. Committees of the Board
4. District Committees
5. External Organizations

For the purposes of this discussion, I wish to address the 'Committees of the Board.'

## **Rationale**

I believe that this Board's efficacy would be enhanced by the elimination of these four committees as formal committees of the Board. The Council of Elders should be recognized by the Board as a District Committee and its terms of reference remain as they are, which means that a trustee would continue to sit on it.

The governance roles of these committees can be accomplished in Board Planning and/or Public meetings and/or in a Board Governance Priority Committee. For example, through discussion in such a meeting, the Board can identify an issue that it wishes to advocate for, an issue over which it wishes to engage the public, or a topic for its own development that it wishes to pursue. In fact, it is my observation that this is the usual practice of this Board.

In terms of an example related to Board policy, any trustee who wishes can bring to the Board for consideration both new policy and policy revisions. As well, when the Board Corporate wishes to have a policy developed or revised, an ad hoc committee can be struck to generate or revise it, as appropriate. The practice of involving General Council in the development of policy and policy revisions would be continued.

This approach was recommended at the recent discussions on governance mentioned at the beginning of this memo. In the materials provided for the Board Retreat/Symposium by the Board Development Committee prior to the Board Retreat, it was also recommended that:

*"...over the coming months, consideration should be given to reducing the Board committee structure to three standing committees:  
Planning Committee  
Audit Committee  
Teacher Transfer Committee"*

Richard Chiat, a leading authority in the area of non-profit governance, notes in his book *Governance as Leadership* that boards should rely more on ad hoc committees in order to address "strategy-driven, time-specific, outcomes-oriented" tasks, such as the development of a specific policy or the determination of a specific advocacy topic, and should only maintain standing committees to deal with on-going fiduciary functions, such as those accomplished by our Planning Committee and Audit Committee, and if the Board chooses to create it, a Governance Committee.

In the past, a number of the administrative functions of these four committees have been attended to by the trustees sitting on them. I suggest that these should and can be rightly done by our administration. Examples include participating in the logistics planning aspects of Public Engagement functions. One of the functions that could best be accomplished by administration is the tracking of changes to, for example, a Governance Policy that would affect the Organizational Bylaw. In this way, nothing would be missed or lost, and the tracking of such changes should not fall into the trustee realm of governing.

*October 5, 2011 Special Public Board Meeting 3.2B(ii)*

September 27, 2011

To: The Board of Trustees

From: Marilyn Bergstra  
Trustee

**Re: Nutritional Guidelines**

Edmonton Catholic Schools has long been committed to providing, as part of a quality education system, policies and regulations aimed at protecting student's health and well being. As trends and research evolves, so do policies that align with up-to-date data. We are all too aware of recent research in the area of childhood obesity that has caused jurisdictions around the globe to make changes to the availability of junk food within their schools.

Recently, metro school jurisdictions have highlighted at Public Board Meetings their practices with respect to healthy eating. As a result I have been approached and asked if our school jurisdiction also supports the removal of junk food, which in this case, I will define as foods found in the 'chose least often category.'

I would like to bring forward to the public's attention that Edmonton Catholic Schools has been leading school jurisdictions in Alberta in this area for many years. For this reason, I am simply bringing forward a motion that the Board affirms the work and support administration in their on-going efforts to improve health eating alternatives in our schools and continuing to educate our students on the importance and value of good nutrition.

**Recommendation**

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September 27, 2011

To: The Board of Trustees

From: Marilyn Bergstra  
Trustee

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