



Date: May 26, 2026
Time: 3:00 PM
Location: Public Board Room, Lumen Christi Catholic Education Centre
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1. Call to Order

1.1 **Board Chair Palazzo** called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.
Father Glenn began the meeting with the Opening Prayer.

1.2 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Trustee Thibert acknowledged that we are on the traditional land of Treaty 6 and homeland of the Métis. We also acknowledge the Inuit and other diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors have marked this territory for centuries, a place that has welcomed many peoples from around the world to make their home here.

We, at Edmonton Catholic Schools, commit to restoring and honouring the Truth and Reconciliation calls to action; we strongly believe that truth must be acknowledged to move forward to reconciliation. Together we call upon all our collective communities to build a stronger understanding of all peoples who dwell on this land we call home.

1.3 ROLL CALL

Sandra Palazzo, Board Chair
Lisa Turchansky, Vice-Chair
Leah Fiorillo
Kara Pelech
Debbie Engel
Alene Mutala
Laura Thibert

1.4 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Mutala moved that the agenda of the May 26, 2026 Public Meeting of the Board be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.4.1

Consent Items

The consent items and the recommendations therein were approved by the Board with the approval of the agenda.

1.4.1.1

Management Letter

Based on the evidence provided in the **Edmonton Catholic Separate School Division Assurance Completion Letter- April 2026**, the Board of Trustees determined that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per **Board Policy 12 - Appendix B**, relative to the current evaluation period:

QI 8.5 Ensures the budget and three-year plan are developed according to a timeline which ensures the Board's ability to provide direction and revise priorities and are approved within Alberta Education deadlines.

QI 9.1 Ensures Division compliance with all Alberta Education and Board mandates.

CARRIED

1.5 MINUTES

1.5.1 Minutes of the April 29, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Thibert moved that the minutes of the April 29, 2026 Regular Public Meeting of the Board be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.5.2 Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

1.6 Bereavement – Matthew Blair Davidson

The Administration acknowledged the death of Matthew Blair Davidson, teacher at St. Benedict Catholic Elementary School who passed away on April 27, 2026, and advised that an expression of sympathy had been sent to his family on behalf of the Board

3:14 PM Trustee Palazzo moved to recess the Public Board Meeting for five minutes due to technical difficulties.

CARRIED

3:20 PM The meeting was reconvened.

1.7 Award Recognition

1.7.1 ATA Council for School Leadership Distinguished Leadership Award Recipients: Azza Ghali and Maria-Julieta Zelada

The Board of Trustees recognized and celebrated Azza Ghali and Maria-Julieta Zelada for receiving the Alberta Teachers' Association Council for School Leadership Distinguished Leadership Award.

2. Business of the Meeting

2.1 Student Voice 2025-2026

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the report **Student Voice 2025-2026** for information purposes.

2.2 Bus Pass Fee Schedule

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the **2026-2027 Student Transportation Fee Schedule** for information purposes.

3. Presentation and Review of Accountability Report(s)

3.1 Creating Communities of Belonging Report

Trustee Turchansky moved that based on the evidence provided in the **Creating Communities of Belonging Report**, the Board of Trustees determines that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per **Board Policy 12 - Appendix B**, relative to the current evaluation period:

- QI 1.1 Ensures that all school leaders actively promote education in a Catholic context.
- QI 3.1 Develops measurements and monitors progress relative to providing a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment.
- QI 10.1 Ensures supports and services are in place to facilitate effective home-school communications.
- QI 10.2 Ensures supports and services are in place to manage conflict effectively promotes positive public engagement in the Division.

CARRIED

3.2 Leadership Formation and System Leadership Development in ECSD

Trustee Mutala moved that based on the evidence provided in the **Leadership Formation and System Leadership Development in ECSD – Update**, the Board of Trustees determines that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per **Board Policy 12 - Appendix B**, relative to the current evaluation period:

- QI 1.1 Ensures that all school leaders actively promote education in a Catholic context.
- QI 1.2 Provides staff with a program of activities which reinforces and forms personal faith development and professional growth in effectively teaching religious education programs.
- QI 5.1 Develops and effectively implements quality recruitment, orientation, staff development, disciplinary, evaluation and supervisory processes.
- QI 5.2 Ensures that hiring and promotion practices support the Catholic aspect of our Division's mission.
- QI 5.3 Fosters high standards of instruction and professional improvement (Teaching Quality Standard).
- QI 5.4 Provides for training of administrators and the development of leadership capacity within the Division.

CARRIED

3.3 Supporting Schools and Addressing Complexity Report

Trustee Turchansky moved that based on the evidence provided in the **Supporting Schools and Addressing Classroom Complexity Report**, the Board of Trustees determines that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per **Board Policy 12 - Appendix B**, relative to the current evaluation period.

- QI 2.1 Conducts an analysis of student success and ensures school principals develop action plans to address concerns.
- QI 2.2 Identifies trends and issues related to student achievement to inform the Three-Year Planning process, including recommendations for innovative means to improve measurable student achievement.
- QI 2.3 Ensures there is measurable improved student achievement over time.
- QI 3.1 Develops measurements and monitors progress relative to providing a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment.
- QI 3.2 Ensures that a continuum of supports and services are available to address the needs of students in their growth and achievement.
- QI 5.3 Fosters high standards of instruction and professional improvement (Teaching Quality Standard).
- QI 5.5 Ensures all staff have access to appropriate professional learning and/or training.
- QI 5.6 Implements requirements of Occupational Health and Safety legislation, including required staff professional development.

CARRIED

3.4 Moving to Bishop's Assurance Model in our Schools Report

Trustee Mutala moved that based on the evidence provided in the **Moving to Bishop's Assurance Model in our Schools Report** and the **Five Marks of Catholic School Identity and Faith Formation Plan Progress Report**, the Board of Trustees determines that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per **Board Policy 12 - Appendix B**, relative to the current evaluation period:

- QI 1.1 Ensures that all school leaders actively promote education in a Catholic context.
- QI 1.2 Provides staff with a program of activities which reinforces and forms personal faith development and professional growth in effectively teaching religious education programs.
- QI 1.3 Ensures religious celebrations and social justice are organized by schools and departments.
- QI 1.4 Facilitates cooperative religious initiatives involving school, home and parish.
- QI 5.5 Ensures all staff have access to appropriate professional learning and/or training.
- QI 10.5 Promotes positive public engagement in the Division.

CARRIED

4. Celebration of #ECSDfaithinspires:

4.1 Board Chair Report

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the **May 2026 Board Chair Report on #ECSDfaithinspires** for information purposes.

4.2 Chief Superintendent Report

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the **Chief Superintendent's Report on #ECSDfaithinspires - May 2026** for information purposes.

5. Adjournment

5.1 Trustee Fiorillo said the closing prayer.

5.2 Trustee Turchansky moved the meeting be adjourned at 6:52 PM.

CARRIED