



EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Board Meeting Minutes 2024-2025

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Date: March 19, 2025
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 Julian began the meeting with the Opening Prayer.

1.2 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Trustee Turchansky 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
Debbie Engel
Terry Harris
Alene Mutala
Laura Thibert

1.4 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Mutala moved that the agenda of the March 19, 2025 Public Meeting of the Board be approved as circulated.

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

Division Plan for Continuous Growth

That the Board of Trustees approves the Division Plan for Continuous Growth 2023-2026 (Year 3).

That, based on the evidence provided in the Division Plan for Continuous Growth 2023-2026 (Year 3), the Board 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 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 2.6 Meets all timelines with provision for appropriate Board input relative to the Combined AERR / Three Year Education Plan.
- QI 8.1 Ensures the three-year planning process involves appropriate stakeholder input and results in high stakeholder satisfaction.
- QI 8.3 Develops short- and long-range plans to meet the needs of the Division and provide for continuous improvement.
- 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 is approved within Alberta Education deadlines.
- QI 9.1 Ensures Division compliance with all Alberta Education and Board mandates (timelines and quality).

CARRIED

1.5 MINUTES

1.5.1 Minutes of the February 19, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Harris moved that the minutes of the February 19, 2025 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 Retirement of Edmonton Police Chief Dale McFee

The Board of Trustees recognized and celebrated the service of Chief Dale McFee as he retires from the Edmonton Police Service.

1.7 King Charles III Coronation Medal – Kim Street

The Board of Trustees recognized and celebrated consultant Kim Street for being awarded the King Charles III Coronation Medal.

1.8 Bereavement

1.8.1 Lorelle Wheat

The Administration acknowledged the death of Lorelle Wheat, a teacher at Archbishop Joseph MacNeil Catholic Elementary/Junior High School who passed away on February 13, 2025, and advised that an expression of sympathy had been sent to her family on behalf of the Board.

2. Business of the Meeting

2.1 Three-Year Capital Plan, 2026-2029

Trustee Turchansky moved that the Board of Trustees approves the **Edmonton Catholic Schools Three-Year Capital Plan, 2026-2029**.

CARRIED

Trustee Turchansky moved that, based on the evidence provided in the **Edmonton Catholic Schools Three-Year Capital Plan, 2026-2029**, the Board determines that the following Quality Indicators have been met, as per Board Policy 12 – Appendix B, relative to the current evaluation period.

- QI 8.3 Develops short- and long-range plans to meet the needs of the Division and provides for continuous improvement.
- QI 9.1 Ensures Division compliance with all Alberta Education and Board mandates (timelines and quality).

CARRIED

2.2 ECSD Annual Survey, 2024-2025

Trustee Engel moved that based on the evidence provided in the ECSD Annual Survey Results Report 2024/2025, 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 1.3 Ensures religious celebrations and social justice are organized by schools and departments.
- QI 2.1 Conducts an analysis of student success and ensures school principals develop action plans to address concerns.
- QI 2.3 Ensures parents and students are satisfied with levels of achievement.
- QI 3.1 Develops measurements and monitors progress relative to providing a welcoming, caring, respectful, and safe learning environment.
- QI 8.1 Ensures the three-year planning process involves appropriate stakeholder input and results in high stakeholder satisfaction.
- QI 10.5 Promotes positive public engagement in the Division.

CARRIED

2.3 ECSD Systems Excellence Survey 2024-2025

Trustee Thibert moved that based on the evidence provided in the ECSD Systems Excellence Survey Results Report 2024/2025, 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 1.3 Ensures religious celebrations and social justice are organized by schools and departments.
- QI 3.3 Implements the requirements of Occupational Health and Safety legislation, including required staff professional development.
- QI 8.1 Ensures the three-year planning process involves appropriate stakeholder input and results in high stakeholder satisfaction.

CARRIED

3. Celebration of #ECSDfaithinspires:

3.1 Board Chair Report

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the Board Chair Report on #ECSDfaithinspires – **February 14, 2025 – March 13, 2025** for information purposes.

3.2 Chief Superintendent Report

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the Chief Superintendent's Report on #ECSDfaithinspires: **March 2025** for information purposes.

4. Adjournment

4.1 Trustee Palazzo said the closing prayer.

4.2 Trustee Turchansky moved the meeting be adjourned at 5:31 PM.

CARRIED