



EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Public Board Meeting Minutes 2024-2025

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Date: January 29, 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 Harris 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 January 29, 2025 Public Meeting of the Board be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.5 MINUTES

1.5.1 Minutes of the December 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

Trustee Harris moved that the minutes of the December 18, 2024 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 King Charles III Coronation Medal – Debbie Engel

The Board of Trustees recognized and celebrated Trustee Debbie Engel for being awarded the King Charles III Coronation Medal.

1.7 Alberta's Top 85 Employers 2025 Designation

The Board of Trustees acknowledged and celebrated receiving a Crystal Award, for the tenth year in a row to commemorate the designation of one of Alberta's Top 85 Employers for 2025.

2. Presentation and Review of Accountability Report(s)

2.1 Growing in Mind, Body, and Spirit Through Catholic Education

Trustee Mutala moved that based on the evidence provided in the report **Growing in Mind, Body, and Spirit Through Catholic Education**, 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.

CARRIED

3. Celebration of #ECSDfaithinspires:

3.1 Board Chair Report

The Board of Trustees acknowledged receipt of the Board Chair Report on #ECSDfaithinspires – **December 13, 2024 – January 23, 2025** for information purposes.

3.2 Chief Superintendent Report

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

4. Adjournment

4.1 Trustee Thibert said the closing prayer.

4.2 Trustee Engel moved the meeting be adjourned at 4:37 PM.

CARRIED