



HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL DIVISION BOARD MEETING BRIEFS

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*Christ-centered
learning communities
where students
are cherished
and achieve
their potential.*

ACTION ITEMS

Three Year Capital Plan (2025-2028)

A draft version of the Three Year Capital Plan for 2025-2028 was reviewed. The final version will be presented at the March 2024 Board Meeting.

ASCA Conference & AGM Registration

The Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA) will be holding its Conference and Annual General Meeting from April 26-28, 2024. To support ASCA and division school councils, the Board agreed to pay the registration for up to four school council members wishing to attend the full conference and one registration to attend the AGM virtually.

Jurassic Electricity Storage Contract

The Board approved for the division to enter into a fifteen (15) year agreement with Jurassic Solar LP. The agreement is an innovative electricity storage solution for the division's electricity procurement.

MOA with ATA Local No.5

Local negotiations between Holy Spirit Catholic School Division and the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) Local No.5 has come to a conclusion. The Board ratified the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) which will be effective between September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2024.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Enrolment Projections

Secretary Treasurer Lisa Palmarin provided the Board with an Enrolment Projections Report for 2024-2033.

IMR Reporting 2022/2023

Secretary Treasurer Lisa Palmarin provided the IMR Final Costs Report for the Board to review.

First Quarter Financial Report

Secretary Treasurer Lisa Palmarin provided the First Quarter Fiscal Accountability Report from September 1, 2023 to November 30, 2023 for Board review.

KidoodIED Update

Last June, ten (10) Holy Spirit Catholic School Division schools were the successful recipients \$10,000 each in the KidoodIED Million Dollar Giveaway.

INFORMATION ITEMS (CON'T)

The Board received an overview of the projects undertaken by each of the schools.

Administrative Procedure 305

The Board received as information the revised AP 305: Assessing and Evaluating Student Achievement which has been posted to the division website.

PRESENTATIONS

Excellence in Catholic Education Recipient

The Board recognized Ms. Nicole Wilson, teacher at Children of St. Martha School, who has been selected as the division's recipient for the CCSSA's "Excellence in Catholic Education" Award for 2023/2024. Ms. Wilson will be further honoured during the ACSTA's SPICE & Blueprints Conference.

Early Learning Programming

Director of Support Services Crystal Lothian and Early Learning Supervisor Sheri Thomas, provided the Board with an overview of the workings of the Early Learning Program which provides high quality, language rich learning and exploration through play for 3 and 4 year olds.

Extra-Curricular Activities Policy

Superintendent of Schools Ken Sampson presented the first and second readings of the new *Policy 23: Extra-Curricular Activity* to the Board. The policy was approved and has been posted on the division website.

POLICY REVIEW

The Board reviewed the following policies and determined that no new changes were required for: *Policy 13: Hearings on Teacher Matters* and *Policy 14: Appeals and Hearings on Student Matters*. The Board reviewed *Policy 18: Board Governance and Operations* and changed the annual compensation rate for Trustees to increase equal to the system and administration grants as opposed to the base instruction grant.

REPORTS

Board Reports:

- Board Chair
- ACSTA
- PCCELC
- ASBA
- GrACE

Administrative Reports:

- Superintendent
- Deputy Superintendent
- Secretary Treasurer
- Director of Learning
- Director of Religious Education
- Director of Support Services
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Education

HOLY SPIRIT STARS

Congratulations to the following staff and students:

The following students from St. Patrick School, Taber recently received the sacrament of reconciliation:

Ethan Ausmus
Moly Van Uden
Oliver Michielsen
Liam Beckie
Antonio De Anda Guzman
Barrett Kuryvial
Joey Teasdale

Christine Baptista and her class (Staff member at Our Lady of the Assumption) - As the Church transitioned in the liturgical calendar, Mrs. Baptista and her class changed out all the hymn books at Our Lady of the Assumption Church.

Faith Elendemhinlin (Children of St. Martha School) - Won the Lethbridge Public Library Spelling Bee Competition.

Aklil Shalamo (Children of St. Martha School) - Came in 4th at the Lethbridge Public Library Spelling Bee Competition.

Ina Tharun (Children of St. Martha School) - Came in 2nd at the Lethbridge Public Library Spelling Bee Competition.

Claire Peake (Father Leonard Van Tighem School) - With her Youth 12 Pursuit Team, won bronze at the Canadian Youth Long Track Championships in Quebec City.

The following students from Father Leonard Van Tighem School won gold with their LVC U14 White Girls Team at a Calgary volleyball tournament:

Kinzley Harty
Vivian Lavens
Brooke Pilsner
Treu Schnitzerling
Ella Tillsley
Aniston Weenk

Trystyn Neufeld (Catholic Central High School) - Graciously stepped in to referee a basketball tournament at St. Joseph School, Coaldale when the scheduled ref did not come.



Strengthening Our Catholic Faith

- We foster a Catholic worldview of reflection, service and sacramentality.
- Our staff and students demonstrate knowledge of faith and commit to faith development.
- We create Communities of Accompaniment in our schools and school division.

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

Living Truth and Reconciliation

- Our First Nations, Métis and Inuit students will continue to see increasing success rates.
- We foster reconciliation through listening, accompaniment and recognition of the ongoing impacts of the past.
- We will deepen our understanding of our collective responsibilities as Treaty People.

"These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another, render in your gates judgments that are true and make for peace." (Zechariah 8:16)



Belonging In Our Diverse Community

- We will assist students in navigating various pathways of support.
- We provide programming and support for student and staff well-being.
- We celebrate and respect all cultures and ethnicities in our schools.

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Learning through Quality Teaching

- We prepare students for career pathways.
- All students demonstrate growth in literacy and numeracy.
- Schools reflect collaborative teaching and learning environments.

"May my teaching drop like the rain, my speech condense like the dew; like gentle rain on grass, like showers on new growth." (Deuteronomy 32:2)

