

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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Next Meeting December 15, 2021

November 24th, 2021



Catholic Education Sunday

Catholic Education Sunday was celebrated across the division on November 21st, 2021. School communities participated in mass virtually and in person all our parish communities.

Presentations to the Board

Faith Formation

Assistant Superintendent of Faith and Wellness Paul Corrigan led the Board in Faith Formation. Mr. Corrigan spoke of the Five Marks of Catholic Education and Catholic Education Sunday.

Audited Financial Statements

The Audit Committee met with the division Auditor on November 17th, 2021 to review the 2020/2021 Audited Financial Statements.

Secretary Treasurer Tracy Leigh presented the August 31, 2021 Draft Audited Financial Statements.

EICS ended the year August 31, 2021 with a \$ 2,336,407 surplus.



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Auditor Presentation

EICS Division Auditor, Mr. Benji Waser with MNP LLP reviewed the 2020/2021 Auditors Report and Audit Findings with the Board. Mr. Waser shared that this was a clean audit, finding one minor issue that had expenses reported in the wrong audit year.

The Board moved to approve the 2020/2021 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

New Business

The Board moved to accept the resignation of Superintendent Shawn Haggarty, effective January 31st, 2022. Trustees thanked Mr. Haggarty for his service to the school division and wished him many blessings on his retirement.

Board Meeting Reports

2022 - 2026 Division Education Assurance Plan Development

- EICS is seeking stakeholder input to develop our 2022 2026 Division Assurance Plan. Stakeholder input will begin December 1, 2021 through a ThoughtExchange Survey that asks:
 - o As a Catholic School Division, what are we doing well, and should continue?
 - O What are areas in which we could improve?

Edmonton Archdiocese Everyday Hero Recognition

• EICS is pleased to nominate Jim Salsbury as a Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton Everyday Hero. Jim is a principal at St. Mary's Catholic High School in Vegreville. He is a great example of an everyday hero who has emerged through the trying times of the COVID-19 pandemic by leading his school community with compassion and commitment to student and staff well-being.

ASAA 2021 Award of Merit

 EICS is pleased to recognize Dan Aloisio who was chosen by the Edmonton Metro Alberta Schools' Athletic Association as the 2021 Zone Award of Merit in recognition of his contribution to high school athletics in Alberta

New Camrose High School Update

- Multiple meetings have occurred with Alberta Infrastructure, Alberta Education, ACI Architects, City of Camrose and EICS Administration.
- Staff at Our Lady of Mount Pleasant Catholic High School have also been able to provide input on the design of the new high school.
- The architects expect to have the school design submitted to Alberta Infrastructure by the end of January 2022.

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Secretary Treasurer's Report

• The October Division and Governance Reports were received as information by the Board.

Trustee Reports

Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA):

• Information was shared about the November 5th, 2021 ASBA Zone 2/3 Meeting the ASBA FGM that took place November 14-16, 2021.

EICS Board Correspondence

 The Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA) Long Service Award Recognition took place on November 14th, 2021. Board Chair Ted Paszek and Trustee Jean Boisvert were recognized for their years of service.
 EICS past trustees Michelle Szott and Ron Baier were also recognized by ASBA for their years of service.

Trustee Community Advocacy

- Alberta School Boards' Association (ASBA) held a Board Orientation for the newly elected Board of Trustees on October 28th, 2021.
- Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association (ACSTA) annual general meeting on November 13th, 2021.
 EICS Board of Trustees sponsored a resolution "that the Alberta Catholic School Trustees' Association membership review the bylaws of the Association." This resolution was approved by the ACSTA membership.
- Board Chair Paszek and Superintendent Haggarty attended a virtual meeting with Archbishop Smith on November 8th, 2021.
- Trustees represented Elk Island Catholic Schools by attending Remembrance Day ceremonies in their local communities.
- Trustees continue to attend school council meetings in their communities.
- Chapel blessing at St. André Bessette Catholic School on November 16th, 2021.
- Attending mass in local communities for Catholic Education Sunday on November 21, 2021.

Upcoming Public Board Meeting – December 15th, 2021

EICS Public Board meetings will continue to be available virtually in 2021/2022. Parents and members of the public are always welcome to attend the EICS Board of Trustee public board meetings. Please email lisaw@eics.ab.ca or call 780-449-6469 to request the link to the virtual meeting.

The December 15th, 2021 public board meeting will begin at 2:30 pm.

Please watch our website for agendas and minutes for upcoming meetings.