

## Elk Island Catholic Separate School Division

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting

Held on September 20th, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

Elk Island Catholic Schools, Sherwood Park AB

**Board Members Present:** Le-Ann Ewaskiw, Board Chair  
Ted Paszek, Vice-Chair  
Jean Boisvert  
Shelley Charchun  
Teresa Makowecki  
Dean Sarnecki  
Al Stewart

**Board Members Absent:** 0

**Administration Present:** Paul Corrigan, Superintendent  
Tracy Leigh, Secretary-Treasurer  
Brett Cox, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources  
Thérèse deChamplain-Good, Assistant Superintendent Educational Excellence  
Jody Seymour, Director Student and Staff Formation  
Michael Di Massa, Communications Coordinator  
Lisa Wispinski, Recording Secretary

**Public:** 2

<b>Call to Order</b>	Chair Ewaskiw called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm
<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Trustee Dean Sarnecki led everyone in prayer, and offered condolences to those who have lost loved ones.
<b>Singing of O'Canada</b>	Chair Ewaskiw welcomed everyone to the meeting and everyone joined in the singing of O'Canada.
<b>Land Acknowledgement</b>	We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of Treaty No. 6, and home of Métis Nation of Alberta Zone 4. We also acknowledge the Inuit and other diverse Indigenous peoples whose ancestors have marked their territory since time immemorial, a place that has welcomed many peoples from around the world to make their home here.

**Approval of the Agenda**      **052/2023**      Trustee Sarnecki moved to adopt the Agenda as circulated. **CARRIED**

**Approval of the Minutes**      **053/2023**      Trustee Stewart moved to approve the Minutes of the June 14th, 2023 Public Board Meeting. **CARRIED**

**054/2023**      Trustee Makowecki moved to approve the Minutes of the June 14th, 2023 Organizational Board Meeting. **CARRIED**

## Presentations and Delegations

**Faith Formation**      Director Seymour led the Board in faith formation, reflecting on individual calls to holiness and how to shine as beacons of light in the communities we serve and beyond.

**Student and Staff Formation**      Director of Student and Staff Formation Jody Seymour introduced her team, who support staff and students in faith, wellness, curriculum, Indigenous education, and EAL (English as an additional language). Student and Staff Formation, as part of Educational Excellence, working with Inclusive Learning Services address almost every outcome of the division assurance plan, and seek ways to carry out strategies in all four pillars of Faith Integration, Learners and Learning, Systemic Wellness, and Community Engagement.

Chair Ewaskiw thanked Director Seymour and staff for their work in supporting students and staff in each of our schools.

## Unfinished Business

### New Business

**Alberta School Foundation Fund**      **055/2023**      Trustee Sarnecki moved: Be resolved that Division 4 of Part 6 of the Education Act (2012) s. 164 (1-5) does not apply to the Board. **CARRIED**

**Policy Committee Review**      The Board of Trustees received as information the schedule to review board policies for the 2023-2024 year.

## Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Corrigan presented the Superintendent report with updates on:

- Curriculum Summer Camps
- EICS Math Assessments
- EICS Phonological Awareness Assessment
- Enrollment Update
- Criminal Record Checks - Bill 85
- Alberta Summer Games
- Excel Academy
- SchoolEngage
- Lurana Shelter partnership with Catholic Social Services

**056/2023**

Trustee Paszek moved to receive the Superintendent's report for information.

**CARRIED**

## Secretary Treasurer Report

Secretary Treasurer Leigh presented the Secretary Treasurer report with updates on:

- August Governance Financial Report

**057/2023**

Trustee Stewart moved to receive the Secretary Treasurer Report for information.

**CARRIED**

## Correspondence

Chair Ewaskiw referred Trustees to correspondence from:

- Minister of Education
- Honourable Nate Glubish
- MLA Kyle Kasawski
- Minister's Youth Council
- Catholic Social Services - Sign of Hope

## Trustee Reports

**Alberta Catholic  
School Trustees'**

Trustee Sarnecki presented an update on ACSTA.

**Association  
(ACSTA)**

**Alberta School  
Board Association  
(ASBA)**

**058/2023**

Trustee Boisvert presented a verbal report on ASBA.

Trustee Boivert that the Board meet in camera at 3:28 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**059/2023**

Trustee Boisvert moved that the Board revert to regular session at 3:38 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Board Meeting  
Evaluation**

Trustees completed the Board Meeting Evaluation form.

**Closing Prayer**

Trustee Stewart closed the meeting with a prayer.

**Adjournment**

Chair Ewaskiw declared the meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

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Board Chair, Le-Ann Ewaskiw

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Secretary Treasurer, Tracy Leigh