



**Greater St. Albert  
Catholic Schools**

# *Board Meeting Summary*

*January 13, 2014*

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## ***REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES***

The last regular meeting of the Board was held in St. Albert at the District Office, on Monday, January 13, 2014.

## ***GOOD NEWS***

### **Awards and Recognition**

- The Alberta Council for Global Cooperation is a coalition of voluntary sector organizations located in Alberta, working locally and globally to achieve sustainable human development. The ACGC announces a list of Albertan Top 30 Under the Age of 30 individuals each year, recognizing the extraordinary accomplishments of these young people. An **MCHS** Grade 12 student, Tristan Turner has been nominated for this recognition and we would like to congratulate him for his work, efforts and drive.
- Eric Montpetit, a grade 6 student at **Neil M. Ross** won the Lion's Poster Contest at the local level and will go on to compete Internationally. His poster artistic skills are inspiring and we wish him luck in the competition.

### **School Updates**

- **Legal School** prepared 10 hamper for distribution to the community over the Christmas season. Raymonde Roulston commented on "what a wonderful service project this has been to connect our students with the broader community." In addition, Legal School hosted their annual Christmas dinner serving 450 in the school community. The event was outstanding and a highlight of the festive season.
- The Mission Team at **SACHS** held a fundraiser to support their upcoming trip to New Orleans. The event included a silent and live auction raising close to \$7,500.

## ***ACTION ITEMS***

- The Board approved establishing some dates to meet with local parishes which will provide an opportunity to update newly appointed priests on relevant work in the district.

## ***INFORMATION ITEMS***

- A summary report on school class sizes was presented. The report highlights the majority of classes are consistent with provincial standards across the grades and that a small number of classes have numbers well below or above the recommended class size to accommodate programming requirements at the school.
- Recent school results review were shared highlighting the leadership, educational plans and success that are in place in all sixteen (16) schools. In addition, an update on Inclusive Education was provided.

- At this time of year preliminary enrolment projections are shared based on information available to date. It is expected that enrolments will continue to be stable. A further update will be provided in the spring.

#### ***UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD***

- The district will be hosting community conversations again this year. This year Morinville will be the host location for a January 16<sup>th</sup> conversation on *How Can we Make our Catholic High Schools More Relevant for Students?* Additional sessions and dates will be forthcoming in St. Albert in February.
- This year's St. Albert Preschool and K-EXPO will be held January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at St. Albert Catholic High School & in Morinville at Morinville Community High School on January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Check our website for further information.

**The next Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Trustees is scheduled for  
Monday, January 27, 2014  
7:30 p.m. at District Office  
6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB**