



Regular Board Meeting Summary

Monday, January 25, 2021

Held virtually, via Zoom, and livestreamed to the community on YouTube.

GOOD NEWS

School News

The **École Secondaire St. Albert Catholic High School (SACHS)** community donated almost \$20K in gifts, gift cards and food items for families in need in our own school community. Christmas hampers were put together for 11 families and delivered by staff to their houses. The generosity and compassion helped to make Christmas a little brighter for those families.

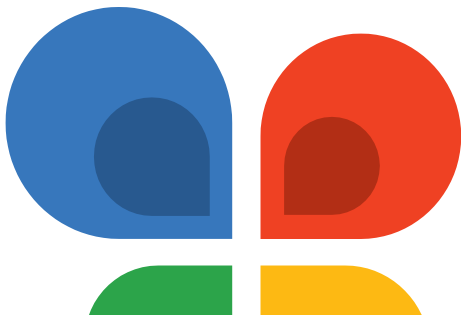
For an Advent retreat at **Bertha Kennedy Catholic School (BK)** this year, students created homemade Christmas cards that were hand delivered to all of our neighbours surrounding the school. Many phone calls, emails, and Facebook messages were received thanking the BK students for being so thoughtful.

Also, as a part of **BK's** building positive community relations, our students created gift bags with a "virtual" hug included for our senior friends at River Ridge Seniors Community.

Legal School once again contributed to a town-wide Christmas Hamper drive coordinated by the St. Emile Men of Service (formerly the Knights of Columbus) in conjunction with École Citadelle. With the generous donations of food and money from the Legal School community, 23 hampers were made for families in the community so that they could have a Christmas meal, presents, and food for the Christmas season.

Legal School's grade 5/6 class organized a service project in December as part of their Global Read Aloud project. Their book, "Indian No More" by Charlene Willing dealt with the topic of racism towards Indigenous Peoples so the students wanted their service project to address tolerance and acceptance. The class chose to support the Centre for Race and Culture in Edmonton for the work they do to promote inclusion and a society free of racism and discrimination. The students created a "Maker" store where homemade crafts, ornaments, and toys were sold to other students in our school and collected bottles from home and the school for the month of December which raised over \$350.00 for their cause.

Sister Alphonse Academy (SAA) has been awarded a grant of \$1000 from United Way - Dentons Make Your Mark on Poverty initiative! SAA is in the process of organizing a virtual auction to raise dollars to support vulnerable youth (Catholic Social Services). Their virtual auction will take place in March and the school community is excited to start collecting donations for this exciting event!





SAA is excited to have been awarded \$2350.00 from the GSACRD Education Foundation cash Raffle Fundraiser towards the purchase of technology! Six new Chromebooks and a technology tub from the Learning Technology Services department have been ordered to help further student participation.

Division News

Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools raised more than \$8,472 for Catholic Social Services' elves who purchased and distributed hundreds of warm Christmas dinners, stockings filled with goodies, and gift cards to those in our high-risk youth programs.

CONSENT & ACTION ITEMS

Under the Consent Agenda, the Board reviewed and approved the following:

- Board Policy 7: Board Operations
- Policy 11: Board Delegation of Authority
- Policy 13: Policy 13: Appeals and Hearings Regarding Student Matters
- Policy 15: School Closure/Transfer of Students

The following Action items were approved:

- Ad Hoc Awards Committee
- Ad Hoc Trustee Handbook Committee

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The following updates and/or reports were provided:

- Inclusive Education Programming
- School Results Reviews (SRR)
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Report
- 2020-2021 Quarterly Financial Report 1
- 2020-2021 School Facilities Utilization Report
- 2020-2021 Fee Waiver Report
- 2021-2022 & 2022-2023 Instructional Year Calendars

UPCOMING BOARD INITIATIVES/EVENTS

- [Schools Open Houses](#), held virtually this year.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Monday, February 22, at 3:30 p.m.** The meeting will be [livestreamed](#) to the community. Regular Board Meetings are open to the public.