

## Regular Board Meeting Highlights

June 18, 2019

Trustees: Anne Marie Watson (Chairperson), Murray Hollman (Vice-Chairperson), Sharla Heistad, Cynthia Leyson, Dorraine Lonsdale, Rob Maloughney, and Kim Pasula.

### Locally Developed Course Approvals

The Board of Trustees approved the following locally developed courses for the upcoming school year:

- ESL Introduction to Science 15-5
- ESL Introduction to Science 25-5
- Advanced Acting/Touring Theatre 15 (3&5 credits)
- Advanced Acting/Touring Theatre 25 (3&5 credits)
- Advanced Acting/Touring Theatre 35 (3&5 credits)
- Creative Writing and Publishing 15 (3&5 credits)
- Creative Writing and Publishing 25 (3&5 credits)
- Creative Writing and Publishing 35 (3&5 credits)
- Dance 15 (3&5 credits)
- Dance 25 (3&5 credits)
- Dance 35 (3&5 credits)
- Myth Busting Science 25
- Reading 15, 25 (3&5 credits)
- RS: Roman Catholic 15 (3&5 credits)
- RS: Roman Catholic 25 (3&5 credits)
- RS: Roman Catholic 35 (3&5 credits)

The Division supports the local development and authorization of junior and senior high school courses, which do not duplicate provincially authorized courses and allow staff to be innovative and responsive to local and individual student needs. Development of courses will be consistent with our Catholic beliefs and morals while fostering educational excellence within our school communities.

### 2019-2020 Budget

The Board of Trustees approved the 2019-2020 school budget, which forecasts a one per cent increase in student population. The budget was developed under the assumption that the Classroom Improvement Fund (CIF) and the nutrition grant would not be funded. This budget is not firm until



Alberta Education releases their budget in the fall. However, the budget is in place so schools are staffed appropriately for the upcoming school year. **The division's priority is to have the least impact to the classroom as possible.**

#### Cultural Services Building Name

The Board of Trustees will look for public feedback on renaming the former Cultural Services Building through the City of Red Deer. Stay tuned for this in early September.

#### Capital Projects Update

##### **St. Patrick's Community School** in Red Deer Modernization

Work is continuing on phase two of the project and still scheduled to be complete by the end of the month.

##### Cultural Services Building/Montfort Centre

The tender package was approved by Alberta Infrastructure. Contract documents are being prepared and we expect work on the former Cultural Services Building to begin shortly.

The present Cultural Services Centre on 39th Street in Red Deer, between Maryview School and St. Thomas Aquinas Middle School, is currently owned by RDCRS and was operated by the City of Red Deer. The building housed RDCRS' administrative services up to 1999 when it was relocated to Montfort Centre and the City of Red Deer began renting the facility in 2001. At the completion of the Canada Winter Games, the City of Red Deer vacated the building and the space is in need of a renovation.

RDCRS operates their administrative office at Montfort Centre which was the original St. Louis de Montfort School. In 1999 when Montfort Centre was opened the student population in RDCRS was under 4,300 students. Student enrollment in 2019 is over 10,300 students. However, during this time Montfort Centre has remained the same size and now is in need of a modernization. This modernization will begin following the completion of the renovation of the building on 39 Street. These projects are anticipated to be completed by Spring 2020.

The next board meeting is August 27, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anne Marie Watson'.

Anne Marie Watson, Board Chair