

Board Meeting Highlights

April 21, 2015

Trustees: Guy Pelletier (Chairperson), Adriana LaGrange (Vice-Chairperson), Murray Hollman, Diane MacKay, Liam McNiff and Annie Marie Watson.

Edwin Parr Nominees

To honour excellence in first-year teachers, the Board of Trustees congratulated the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools Edwin Parr Nominees:

- Samantha Clark from Father Henri Voisin School
- Emily Brown from École Camille J. Lerouge School
- Jennifer Smith from Holy Family School
- Meagan Clarke from St. Thomas Aquinas School
- Stephanie Layden from École Secondaire Notre Dame High School
- Nathalie Manuel from Holy Trinity Catholic School

For more information about Edwin Parr awards, please visit http://www.asba.ab.ca/wpcontent/uploads/2014/07/edwin_parr.pdf.

Locally Acquired Course Approvals

The Board of Trustees approved the locally acquired high school courses that included Creative Writing and Publishing, Religious Education (Roman Catholic), Dance, Sports Performance, Technical Theatre, and Advanced Acting/Touring. These courses will be in place in September 1, 2015 and ending August 31, 2019.

Two Additional Full-Day Professional Development Days Pilot Project

The Board of Trustees approved the addition of two full-day professional development days on a pilot project basis starting in September 2015.



Boundaries and Student Transition Protocol

The Board of Trustees approved the Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools (RDCRS) school attendance boundaries and transition protocols at their meeting on March 31. These boundaries will take effect September 2015.

As you may be aware, Alberta Education has approved the design of the St. Francis of Assisi Middle School addition in Red Deer, and the Kindergarten to Grade 9 St. Gregory the Great Catholic School in Blackfalds. However, we are still waiting for construction dollar approval from Alberta Education.

For more information, please read the <u>parent letter</u> that was sent out on April 17, 2015.

Information Items

St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School phase two will be going out to tender in July with construction expected to start September 1. We are anticipating a 16 to 18 month construction period.

Education Foundation Update

Red Deer Regional Catholic Education Foundation is hosting its sixth Annual Fundraiser Sponsorship Event to be held on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Black Knight Inn (2929 50 Ave, Red Deer, AB T4R 1H1). It will be an unforgettable evening, full of inspiration, empowerment and triumph. Join us in a close and personal night with Paul Garnet Henderson, inductee to Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, a Legendary National Hero.

The next board meeting is on May 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Guy Pelletier

Board Chair