

HOLY FAMILY C.R.D. NO. 37  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
December 14, 2010

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Lavoie called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in Peace River, Alberta.

**ATTENDANCE:** In attendance: Chair Lavoie, Vice-chair Valiquette, Trustees G. Ostermeier, R. Lanctot, R. David, and C. Lizée, Superintendent B. Turpin, Secretary-Treasurer H. Diaz and Recording Secretary C. Doris.

**ABSENT:** Trustees Wright and Polard were absent.

**PRAYER:** Chair Lavoie led the meeting in prayer.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Trustee Lizée moved the Board adopt the agenda with the following additions:

7.3.2 Letter from Trustee Lanctot, dated December 7, 2010, re: Long Service Award Donation and letter from ASBA, dated November 1, 2010, re: 39-Year Long Service Award for Trustee Lanctot

7.3.3 Letter from Allen Willier, CEA, Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council, dated November 18, 2010, re: Meeting with the Board in January

7.3.4 Meeting with Board Chairs and the Archbishop, November 30, 2010

10.2.4 ASBA New Trustees/Board Chairs Conference – January 16-18, 2011

**35-12-10** CARRIED

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – NOVEMBER 12, 2010:** Vice-Chair Valiquette moved the minutes of the Organizational Meeting of November 12, 2010, be approved as amended.

**36-12-10** CARRIED

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 12, 2010:** Trustee Lizée moved the Board adopt the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 12, 2010, as amended.

**37-12-10** CARRIED

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**JOINT USE OF FACILITIES –  
VALLEYVIEW:**

Secretary-Treasurer Diaz reported that St. Stephen’s School has no joint use agreement in place with the Town of Valleyview, therefore, it is not necessary to have a representative attend meetings. Secretary-Treasurer Diaz will provide the Board with Principal Wiedrick’s response.

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
OF NOVEMBER 29, 2010:**

Trustee Lanctot moved the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of November 29, 2010, be adopted as presented.

**38-12-10**

**CARRIED**

**BOARD ANNUAL WORK PLAN:**

The Board Annual Work Plan was reviewed. A Teacher-Board Advisory Committee Meeting was scheduled for February 15, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. A notice of meeting will be sent out.

**HOLY FAMILY MATTERS:**

The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Trustees were asked to forward any items/suggestions for the next newsletter.

**MEETING WITH WESTERN CREE  
TRIBAL COUNCIL – DECEMBER 1,  
2010:**

Trustee David reported that Chiefs appreciated the meeting with Holy Family Catholic School Trustees and were happy of the results.

The meeting notes of December 1, 2010, were received as information.

**SUPERINTENDENT DESIGNATE:**

Trustee Lizée moved Jim Taplin be appointed as Superintendent Designate for the 2010-2011 school year.

**39-12-10**

**CARRIED**

**LETTER FROM HIGH PRAIRIE S.D.  
NO. 48 – OCTOBER 28, 2010:**

The Board directed administration to accept High Prairie S.D. No. 48’s invitation to a Joint Board Meeting and to forward possible dates and agenda items to the Superintendent, Laura Poloz.

**HOLY FAMILY CRD NO. 37  
ACCOUNTABILITY PILLAR OVERALL  
SUMMARIES:**

Superintendent Turpin will provide the Board with a report of the Glenmary School Review at the January Meeting.

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Superintendent Turpin reviewed the Accountability Pillar Survey Overall Summaries for each school with the Board.

**LETTER TO THE DEPUTY MINISTER,  
FROM ASBA DATED NOVEMBER 15,  
2010 RE: EDUCATION ACT 2011  
PROPOSED FRAMEWORK:**

The Board reviewed the letter to the Deputy Minister from ASBA regarding the ASBA's feedback on the Education Act 2011 Proposed Framework and is in support of ASBA's feedback to the Deputy Minister. The Board's feedback will be forwarded to ASBA by December 20, 2010.

**LETTER FROM THE MINISTER OF  
EDUCATION, DATED DECEMBER 1,  
2010 RE: DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY  
REGULATION:**

Chair Lavoie reviewed the letter from the Minister of Education of December 1, 2010, regarding Disposition of Property Regulation.

The Board directed administration to develop a policy regarding Disposition of Property and bring back to the January Board Meeting.

**MEETING WITH SCHOOL COUNCIL  
CHAIRS:**

The meeting with School Council Chairs was rescheduled to January 15, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. Proposed agenda items include the ASBA's submission of the Proposed Education Act 2011, meeting with the Archbishop, Role Clarification and Accountability Model, school calendars (clarification), and will also invite items from school council chairs.

**AISI PRESENTATION – 11:30 A.M.  
ROSARY SCHOOL:**

Julie Gummessen, a Teacher at Rosary School along with a group of grade 8 Social Studies students gave a presentation called "Life in the Renaissance" using mixbook.com.

Superintendent Turpin thanked the group for their interesting presentation at 11:50 p.m. at which time the group left the meeting.

**EMAIL #1, NOVEMBER 30, 2010 –  
SCHOOL ACT REVIEW:**

The School Act Review document was reviewed and the Board directed administration to respond that the Board supports ASBA's submission and to note the concern with #2 in Part 1 – Access to Education – "access will be provided to individuals who are younger than 21 years of age on September 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year" in light of students with severe needs and the funding implications.

**POLICY REVIEW:** Trustee Lanctot moved the Board approve the amendments to Policy 15 School Closure renamed "School Viability/Closure" .

**40-12-10** CARRIED

**ASBALE MEMBERSHIP:** Vice-Chair Valiquette moved the Board not participate as a member in the Alberta School Boards Association for Languages Education until further notice.

**41-12-10** CARRIED

**EMAIL #12 PROVINCE WIDE FORMATION:** The Board reviewed the email from ACSTA re: Province Wide Formation and discussed the implications it would have on our Division. The following points will be forwarded to ASBA:

- Governance – what would happen to the ward system?
- Transportation implications – will a cooperative bussing grant be available?
- Boarding options for students.
- How does a school division like Holy Family provide a Catholic education in remote areas like High Level, etc. where no Catholic schools exist?
- Why are coterminous boundaries with our overlapping public school divisions not being considered?
- Is this the Minister's first choice?

The Board directed administration to forward the Board's input by December 15, 2010, to Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association.

**ASBA STRATEGIC PLAN:** The ACSTA/ASBA Review Committee will review the ASBA Strategic Plan on January 3, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. and provide input to ASBA by January 6, 2011.

**SUPERINTENDENT/SECRETARY-TREASURER AND CHAIR'S REPORT:** Vice-Chair Valiquette moved the Board receive the Superintendent/Secretary-Treasurer and the Chair's Report.

**42-12-10** CARRIED

**IN CAMERA:** Trustee Lizée moved the meeting continue in camera at 1:40 p.m.

**43-12-10** CARRIED

**IN PUBLIC:** Trustee Ostermeier moved the meeting continue in public at 2:20 p.m.

**44-12-10** CARRIED

While in camera, the Board discussed personnel matters, Trustee Recruitment and the Tripartite Discussion.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** The Superintendent presented her report with information items to the Board for the month of December 2010.

**SECRETARY- TREASURER'S REPORT:** Secretary-Treasurer Diaz reported on the following:

- Budget Status Report – November 30, 2010
- Accounts Paid and Payroll for November 2010
- Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal Projects
- Maintenance Upgrades – 518
- Providence School Modernization Update
- ASBALE Membership Fee
- Letter from Meyers Norris Penny, dated November 3, 2010, re: Merger with Cote Bliss Bozarth Wright (CBBW)

**CHAIR'S REPORT:** Chair Lavoie shared a letter from the President of the ASBA in honor of Trustee Lanctot's 39 years of service and a donation of \$300.00. Trustee Lanctot will donate the funds to St. Henry's Parish to purchase supplies and equipment to assist in teaching Catholic Catechism to the children at St. Mary's Elementary School in Fort Vermilion.

Letter from LSLIRC asking for another date for a meeting with our Board. The Board directed administration to send a letter to Mr. Willier, CEA and advise to send dates to Carmen for scheduling.

**MEETING OF NOVEMBER 30, 2010,  
WITH THE ARCHBISHOP:**

Meeting with Archbishop – Chair Lavoie reported on the meeting – really good meeting. Archbishop would like to meet yearly. Talked about sacramental preparation of confirmation to be given before communion. Asked for a common voice on gambling.

**ALBERTA PRIME TIME:**

Chair Lavoie reported that Ted Pazek, past President of ACSTA will be appearing on Alberta Prime Time on December 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in a debate with David King regarding disestablishing separate schools in Alberta and asked that Principals also be made aware of this television event.

**STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND APPEALS  
COMMITTEE:**

Trustee Lizée gave a verbal report of the hearing held on December 1, 2010.

**FORT VERMILION UNIFICATION  
AGREEMENT – HISTORY AND  
ANALYSIS:**

Trustee Lanctot will contact the parent group in Fort Vermilion and ask that they get in touch with Superintendent Turpin. The next step will be for Superintendent Turpin to set a public meeting date. A letter will be sent jointly by the Superintendent of Fort Vermilion and Holy Family to the parents of the students attending St. Mary's Elementary School regarding the public meeting.

**ACSTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS'  
MEETING:**

Trustee Lizée reported the next meeting will be on January 20 and 21, 2011.

**ASBA ZONE 1 – JANUARY 20, 2011:**

The next ASBA Zone 1 Meeting will be held in Grande Prairie on January 20, 2011.

**GRIMSHAW COMMUNITY SERVICES  
ADVISORY BOARD:**

Chair Lavoie reported that she had been sent an agenda for the upcoming Grimshaw Community Services Advisory Board meeting on December 15, 2010, but will be unable to attend because of a prior commitment.

**LESSER SLAVE LAKE INDIAN  
REGIONAL COUNCIL SUB  
COMMITTEE:**

The Board Directed administration to send a letter to the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council inquiring about the activity of the sub-committee formed over a year ago.

<b>ACSTA AGM REPORT:</b>	Trustee who attended the convention gave a verbal report.
<b>TALKING POINTS ON THE REVISION TO THE SCHOOL ACT:</b>	The Talking Points on the Revision to the School Act was received for information. Superintendent Turpin suggested that these points be brought to the Joint Board Meeting with High Prairie School Division No. 48 and for the School Council Chairs Meeting.
<b>KEY MESSAGES COUNTERING DAVE KING ARGUMENT:</b>	The Key Message Countering Dave King’s Argument regarding the disestablishment of separate school boards in Alberta were received as information.
<b>EMAIL #13, HANDSARD TRANSCRIPT AND NO COOKIE CUTTER KIDS:</b>	The Hansard Transcript and the article “No Cookie Cutter Kids” were received as information.
<b>ASBA CONVENTION:</b>	Trustees who attended the ASBA Convention gave their feedback/comments.  The Dispositions of Motions on the Policy Positions will be brought to the January Board Meeting.
<b>LETTER FROM PEACE WAPITI SCHOOL DIVISION, DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2010:</b>	The feedback from Peace Wapiti School Division re: ASBA Strategic Plan was received as information.
<b>ASBA NEW TRUSTEES/BOARD CHAIRS CONFERENCE:</b>	The information regarding the new trustees/Board Chairs conference on January 16 – 18, 2011, was received as information.
<b>BOARD MEETING EVALUATION FORM:</b>	Chair Lavoie reminded trustees to complete the Board Meeting Evaluation Form.
<b>CLOSING PRAYER:</b>	Chair Lavoie closed the meeting with a prayer.
<b>ADJOURNMENT:</b>	Vice-Chair Valiquette moved the meeting be adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

**31-11-10**

**CARRIED**

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SECRETARY-TREASURER

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