



Bertha Kennedy Catholic School

School Council Meeting

Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2019

Call to Order

Kerry Bodell called to order the regular meeting of the Bertha Kennedy School Council at 6:33 pm on April 11, 2019 at Bertha Kennedy School, staff room.

Welcome/Attendance

Kerry Bodell, Jen Stogowski, Kathy Topinka, Jessica Ryan, Erin Rauf, Dolores Andressen, Lisa Doll, Joe Becigneul.

Opening Prayer

First Nations, Metis, Inuit Statement

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Kathy Topinka.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes were approved by Kerry Bodell.

School Board Trustee Report

GOOD NEWS

- ✿ The Vincent. J. Maloney School community gathered to celebrate the completion of the modernization to the school on March 13, 2019 along with many local and provincial dignitaries. Built in 1985, the school now boasts new learning spaces that support 21st Century Learning including the addition of a Learning Commons that is a great space for students to learn together and the addition of flexible seating.
- ✿ Special thanks to our local parishes who supported our schools by leading the Ash Wednesday observances to begin the Lenten Season. And, to Mr. Loiselle, our Religious Education Consultant who also supported many of our school led Lenten liturgies.
- ✿ St. Albert Catholic High School wishes to congratulate their students, Sydney Bourbeau and Abbie Giesbrecht who received a Youth Artist Award nomination as part of the St. Albert Mayor's Celebration of the Arts. Good luck on your nominations and we thank you for sharing your artistic talent with our school community!
- ✿ The St. Albert Catholic High Senior Girls' Basketball continued their success in the Metro League with a second consecutive Edmonton High School Championship Banner and took home the provincial championship honours! Congratulations to all the athletes and coaches for an outstanding season!
- ✿ Congratulations to the V.J. Maloney Junior Girls Basketball team for taking home the bronze medal in their recent SAPEC Tournament! And kudos to the R.S. Fowler Junior Boys Basketball team who won the honour of SAPEC City Champs!!!

- ✿ Congratulations to the Morinville Community High School Cheer Team! The girls took 1st place at North Central Zones in the Advanced All Girl Division, 1st place in the Game Day Division, & received the Sportsmanship Award. Best of luck as they head to Provincials on April 12 and 13!

ACTION & CONSENT ITEMS

- ✿ The Board reviewed and approved the following policies and programming:
 - Review of Board Policy 17 and Public Interest Disclosure, Policy 19.
 - Board of Trustees approved the Three-Year Capital Plan for 2020-2023 with the following two projects and ranked priorities, Morinville Community High School (1) and Bertha Kennedy (2).
 - Board of Trustees endorsed the nomination of Kaitlyn Ross from Legal School as the District's nominee for the 2019 Edwin Parr Award.
 - Proposed changes to the Long Service Awards were approved that are more meaningful to employees, provide for transition from the current program and operate within existing budget parameters.
 - Board of Trustees approved the criteria and application process for the one-time \$1,500, ASBOA Past Presidents' Scholarship Award, to be awarded to one student in fall 2019.
 - Board will be supporting the Annual Friar's Ball, an event that is in support of Catholic education.

UPCOMING INITIATIVES FOR THE BOARD

- ✿ Trustees will be attending their annual board planning meetings April 5 & 6, 2019.
- ✿ Some trustees attended the annual Religious Education Congress in March 2019 in Anaheim, California.
- ✿ The Board wishes to thank everyone for their participation in ThoughtExchange and are looking forward to reviewing the findings.
- ✿ The next Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.
- ✿ The next Regular Meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, April 29, 2019, 3:30 p.m. at District Office, 6 St. Vital Avenue, St. Albert, AB.
- ✿ PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND
- ✿ *See attachment for the GSACRD Education Foundation Charity Information.*

Principals' Reports

THANK-YOU'S

- ✿ Kerry's help with class photos Apr. 9
- ✿ Jenn's help with Purdy's
- ✿ Pizza lunch - Jessica, Kathy, Lana, Kerry
- ✿ Help at the field trips!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✿ Reconciliation April 4th.
- ✿ April 2 - 12 - Ninja Warrior obstacle course.

- ✿ April 12 - Break a rule day.
- ✿ April 17 - Last Supper & Washing of the Feet at 2:30pm.
- ✿ Easter break - April 19-22.
- ✿ April 25 - New Life mass 1:30 @ SAP - Kinder and 4/5A.
- ✿ April 29 - May 1 - Sound Creation - thank you to school council.
- ✿ May 4th - 9:30am Confirmation and 5pm First Communion.
- ✿ May 5th - Run Wild.
- ✿ May 8th - PAT LA Part 1.
- ✿ May 9th - Water Warriors Workout.

NEW BUSINESS

- ✿ Julie Bolduc last day is April 26, Duncan Lotoski last day is April 25. He is now working at the new Lois Hole Library for EPL in Edmonton. Congrats Duncan!
- ✿ Would anybody be interested in buying and organizing classroom bins for playground toys? Students could fundraise for playground fun through the Principal and Vice-Principal for a day fundraiser.
 - Would need 9 playground bins – not expensive toys.
 - Kathy volunteered and will look at wholesale options, dollar store, amazon, etc. and put together for the classrooms.
 - Kathy will go shopping for dinosaurs for the dino dig.
- ✿ BK is an Election polling station. - April 16 from 8am to 8pm.
- ✿ Brooklyn Johnston Memorial Fund Information – email to Council.
- ✿ Code of Conduct Review
 - Every April this section is reviewed and updated as needed.
 - See attachment for a copy of the Code of Conduct or check the school website.

Teacher Report

- ✿ No staff meeting since our last School Council meeting.
- ✿ Thank you for the classroom fieldtrip additional funds of \$300 per class. Most classes have booked now. The extra money is really appreciated. The three Grade 1 and 2 classes are going to the Telus World of Science together in June for an IMAX show called Born to Be Wild, the new Curious City playground, and a pizza lunch. Including the bus, even with the donation from Council, we still need to ask our families for \$10.00 for each student.
- ✿ Project of Heart is starting. It is a Canada wide project as a response to learning about residential schools. Each student is decorating a small wooden tile with a symbol of reconciliation. Then we will put the tiles together creating a large piece of art. That's where Kerry comes in!

- 🐾 Save the date! K-3 Fun Day is June 12. ***We will need lots of volunteers!***

Committee Reports

🐾 Healthy BobKats / Green Team

- We haven't had a meeting since our last Council meeting so there is no report.
- We are eating the rainbow! We will be taking photos of our students who are eating good nutritious snacks and posting them on our Healthy BobKats bulletin board.
- Don't Walk in the Halls tiles are adding a new dimension to walking in the halls at BK offering a little extra fitness for our students when they least expect it.
- Run Wild is Sunday May 5.
- We are starting to garden!

🐾 Nourish The BobKats

- Need someone to take over leading the snacks for April/May/June.
- April 24th - carrot sticks for morning snacks (10:40am). Healthy BobKats can help distribute.

🐾 Birthday Book Club

- \$234 in sales from 20 students to date.

🐾 Playground/Garden

- Kathy requested \$700 in funds for flowers, spray paint, new hose cart, garden bag and tools, etc. for the yard this year. Jen made a motion for the funds. Kerry seconds the motion. Vote carried.

New Business

- 🐾 Council meeting date changes were voted upon:

- May changes from 16th to the 23rd. June changes from 20th to 13th.

- 🐾 Kerry voted on the resolutions discussed for the online pre-vote.

Adjournment Kerry Bodell adjourned the meeting at 7:48pm.