



LCSD Board Highlights

October 20, 2021

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Welcome to the new board

The new Board of Trustees was sworn-in before the meeting began. We welcome: Trustee Donna Cloutier (Ward 3), Trustee Vince MacDonald (Ward 1), Trustee Anna Brockhoff (Ward 2), Vice Chair Mary Anne Penner (ward 2), Chair Diane Bauer (ward 1), Trustee Vicky Lefebvre (Ward 2), and Trustee Denise Sirois Tercier (Ward 1).

Chair and Vice Chair nominated

Diane Bauer was elected as Chairperson for the board, while Mary Anne Penner accepted to position of Vice Chair. Click [here](#) to read the full news release.

Official Enrollment Shared with the Board

Superintendent of Schools, Pamela Guilbault, presented the official enrollment numbers for the 2021-22 school year.

As of September 30, 2021, there are 2,635 students enrolled in Lakeland Catholic schools. This is an increase of 168 students when compared to the official enrollment for the 2020-21 school year.

According to Pamela, the division was approximately 30 students shy of their projections for the year. Click [here](#) to read the full news release.

Driver training to continue

Lakeland Catholic will continue to offer driver training to students through a dual credit program with Portage College.

The course has been running for a number of years and sees interested students learn first-hand from Portage College instructors. It is comprised of several hours in the classroom and time on the road.

Trustee Donna Cloutier wondered if the program could be brought to Lac La Biche as it is not currently available to Light of Christ students.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Pamela Guilbault gave an overview of the Superintendent's Report, highlighting what was happening across the division. It included various social justice projects linked to the Catholic Social Teachings including the Terry Fox Run and food drives. It also included the learnings that LCSD staff and students participated in around Orange Shirt Day and National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Click [here](#) to read this month's Superintendent's Report in full.



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Board extends Dr. Bernard Brosseau's playground loan

Following a presentation to the board from Kim Dechaine, member of the Parent Advisory Council for Dr. Bernard Brosseau School, trustees agreed to extend the school's playground loan for another five years.

Due to COVID-19 and ongoing health restrictions, the school's ability to fundraise has been drastically impacted, Kim explained. As a result, the school has roughly \$76,000 left to pay of their \$160,000 loan, which expires August 2022.

Board members agreed to grant a five-year extension.

COVID-19 Update

Pamela provided an update regarding COVID-19 to the Board of Trustees.

Alberta Health Service's recently started reporting positive COVID-19 cases that are infectious while at school. This information can be found on the AHS website under School COVID Status.

The division has received positive feedback about their own reporting of positive cases through school websites. On each school website, parents can find the number of COVID-19 cases while infectious at school identified. These details are updated daily.

Should a student test positive for COVID-19, any groups exposed (i.e. classes, extra-curriculuar, school buses, visitors, and staff) are notified with a letter home.

If three positive COVID-19 cases are identified in one classroom within a five-day period, the class is put on exclusion and will attend classes online for 10 days. This applies only to Kindergarten through Grade 6 students and is a measure put in place by Alberta Health Services.