

VISION

The Regina Catholic School Division will provide a quality Catholic education that is faith-based, student-centered, and results-oriented.



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The Regina Catholic School Division will work with the community and local church to provide a quality Catholic education that fosters academic excellence and the development of informed, responsible citizens.

VALUES

ACCOUNTABILITY COLLABORATION HONESTY INTEGRITY RESPECT WELLNESS

Minutes
Board of Education / Catholic School Community Councils (CSCC)
Winter Linkage Meeting
Thursday, November 18, 2021
6:30-8:00 PM
MS Teams

Board Trustees:	Vicky Bonnell (Chair), Shauna Weninger (Deputy Chair), Bob Kowalchuk, Juliet Bushi, Darren Wilcox, Rob Bresciani, and Ryan Bast.
Senior Leadership:	Sean Chase (Director); Dave Magnusson, Kelley Ehman, Joanna Landry, and Stacey Gherasim (Superintendents of Education Services); Twylla West (Communications & Media Coordinator); and School-Based Administrators - Optional Attendance.
Councils:	Catholic School Community Councils (CSCC) Chairs, and Catholic Parents Advisory Council (CPAC) members.

1. Welcome and Prayer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dave Magnusson opened the meeting with a land acknowledgement, a prayer, and welcomed meeting attendees. He also acknowledged Louis Riel Day (November 16th), a day that is recognized by the Regina Catholic School Division (RCSD).
2. Board Chair – Vicky Bonnell <ul style="list-style-type: none">RCSD Board of Trustees Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Vicky Bonnell brought greetings and an update from the Trustees. In addition to thanking the organizers and attendees, Vicky also:<ul style="list-style-type: none">extended thoughts and prayers to those people in British Columbia whose lives have been devastated with floods, mudslides, broken highways and impacted transport services.acknowledged the importance of the CSCC meetings as an opportunity to share information about Division goals but, even more importantly, to acknowledge and convey Board appreciation to the CSCC for their valued support to schools and students.acknowledged the creativity and persistence of the CSCCs in their approaches and efforts during the pandemic period and shared examples of the valued contributions they have made to school life.shared the efforts of the Board, the Director, Executive Council and School-Based Administrators who have all worked very diligently behind the scenes during this pandemic period to

		<p>ensure the safety and education of students and staff, and keep staff and student safety at the forefront of decision-making.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gave final remarks again expressing the sincere gratitude from the Board to the CSCCs for their gifts of time, resourcefulness, commitment, and dedication to doing whatever it takes to make a difference in the education and support of RCSD students and staff.
3.	<p>Director Education – Sean Chase</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCSD Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sean Chase brought greetings and updates from the division. In addition to thanking all attendees, Sean also: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reinforced the commitment of the RCSD and Trustees to parent engagement, highlighting the discussion on this topic that the Board participated in during the recent Annual Fall Assembly, hosted by the Saskatchewan School Boards Association. ○ Recognized the patience, understanding and support from the CSCCs during a very challenging time. ○ Shared RCSD data related to student enrollment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ September 30, 2021, student enrollment of 11,991 exceeded expectations and is a point of celebration. ○ Shared information about the newly launched “School of the Week” initiative aimed at promoting the wonderful events and achievements occurring in RCSD schools on any given day. ○ Shared information about the launch of Administrative Application 7910, <i>COVID-19 Vaccinations for Regina Catholic School Division Employees, Trustees, and Other Individuals</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The administrative application comes into effect on November 22nd. ▪ As of November 18th, 95 per cent of staff have submitted proof of vaccination. ○ Committed to sharing information about the impact of the vaccination strategy for 5- to 11-year-olds once received from the Ministry of Health. • Sean gave final remarks, expressing deep gratitude to all school-based administrators, staff and CSCC representatives during these challenging times.
	<p>Superintendent of Education Services – Dave Magnusson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic Parents Advisory Council (CPAC) • CSCC Constitution 	<p>Dave Magnusson provided updates on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared the history and intent of the CPAC which was implemented approximately 2.5 years ago to promote cooperation and planning for events, and to provide support across the CSCCs. • Shared the challenges with continuing to meet during this pandemic period, noting that there had been no meetings during 2021 to date. • Committed to revisiting the plan for CPAC in Spring 2022 with a view to refreshing and renewing the process. • A working group was established (with Tricia Kaminski and John Stevenson) to review the master CSCC Constitution and look for opportunities to update the template. • Once the review and update process is complete, the revised master constitution template will be shared with all CSCCs for their use. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minor modifications to the template will be allowed. • The review is anticipated to be complete for the 2022/23 school year.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim Provincial Education Plan (Three Main Areas of Focus) • Division Improvement Plans (DIPs) • School Improvement Plans (SIPs) • Live Thought Exchange 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to the pandemic, the Ministry of Education implemented an interim, one-year education plan in recognition of the need to deal with the impacts created by teaching during COVID-19. • The focus in the interim plan for this year was academics, literacy/numeracy, and mental health and well-being. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ These were the areas where it was identified students were requiring the most support and focus, recognizing the toll the pandemic places on the mental health of students. • This year's focus areas for Division Improvement Plans are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ English as an Additional Language (EAL) ○ Early Year ○ Faith Permeation ○ Grad Rates ○ Mental Health and Well-Being ○ Reading, Writing, and Math ○ Indigenous Education • These areas all support the three goals included in the Interim Provincial Education Plan from the Ministry of Education. • The School Improvement Plan replaces the document previously known as the Learning Improvement Plan. • Three main goals have been identified for schools and the process for setting objectives is now owned by the schools instead of being set at the divisional level, as previous. • The schools may create their own plans based on their own data using the three key goals, the Ministry of Education mandate and the DIP as reference points. • School administrators are currently finalizing their SIPs, and these will be shared at future CSCC meetings for sign-off. • Dave facilitated a live Thought Exchange to gather data. • Attendees were asked to share their ideas and rate others in response to the following question "<i>What is the CSCC doing well to support the school goals, and where is there opportunity for improvement?</i>" • See PowerPoint for the results.
4.	Closing Prayer and Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Magnusson closed the meeting with a prayer.