

NEWS RELEASE BOARD CHAIR & VICE-CHAIR ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION AT THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

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September 27, 2016 (St. Albert, Morinville, Legal) - Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools hosted their Organizational Meeting for the Board last night where trustees began their planning work for the upcoming school year, including electing their Board Chair and Vice-Chair by acclamation for the 2016 – 2017 school year.

David Keohane, Superintendent, is pleased to announce that Trustee Shaw will serve as this year's Board Chair, and Trustee McEvoy will continue in the role of Vice-Chair. Trustee Shaw, Board Chair commented "It's a privilege to take on the role of Chair, and to have unanimous support from my fellow trustees. As a parent in the District, it's important to me to model for my two daughters, the significance of service to your community. I look forward to serving our families and our staff, who value education and the faith development of our students, as future citizens and leaders in our communities, says Serena Shaw who was elected to the Board in 2013.

"This is an exciting year for our District as we continue the work on the opening of two new schools; a K-6 in Morinville and a K-9 in St. Albert. I'm blessed to be part of this opportunity to expand Catholic education in our communities." The Board is looking forward to engaging the public on topics of importance to families in the District. This will begin in October with public consultation on attendance boundaries and programming for Sister Alphonse Academy in St. Albert.

The work of the Board is conducted by seven trustees, representing sixteen schools in the District. This includes four trustees in St. Albert, two in Morinville, and one in Legal. They are:

St. Albert: Joe Becigneul, Joan Crockett, Rosaleen McEvoy, Serena ShawLegal: Cathy ProulxMorinville: Noreen Radford, Réne Tremblay

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Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools (GSACRD) delivers Catholic Education to over 6,000 students in Legal, Morinville and St. Albert. GSACRD offers a range of programming including: Full and half-day kindergarten, French Immersion (K-12), International Baccalaureate, Sports Academy, Arts-based Education and integrated learning for students with diverse needs.

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