



**Father Michael Troy School Advisory Council**  
**Meeting Minutes - January 13, 2026**

<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 13, 2026
	<b>Time:</b>	6:30 p.m.
	<b>Location:</b>	FMT School Library
	<b>Recorded by:</b>	Tara Patrie

**Action By**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Vice Chair Amanda Klyne. Chair Kari Brennan was unable to attend, and Vice Chair Klyne presided over the meeting in her absence. Info

**1.0 Welcome and Introductions**

**2.0 Prayer/Treaty 6, presented by Jackie Belland.**

**3.0 Review and Approval of Agenda**

No additions or amendments were noted. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Brandy and seconded by Rose. The motion was carried.

**4.0 Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the AGM meeting held on November 4, 2025, was made by Brian and seconded by Rose. The motion was carried.

**5.0 Report**

**a. Chair Report - No new items were reported from Kari.**

**b. Principal Report**

The principal report was presented by Dr. Salerno and Mrs. Belland. The reviewed school events that took place in November, December and early January as well as what the school is looking forward to in January and February. Some notable items included:

Looking Back – presented by Mrs. Belland:

- Basketball season is now underway; the school has strong senior girls and boys teams and the coaches are working hard with them.
- Games for change – returned and will return again in the spring.
- Parent Teacher Interviews were very well attended and teachers were booked solid.
- The Grade 7's all attended the Jumpstart program at the Winspear.
- Dr. Gelmini presented to the Grade 9's and \$217 was raised from the canteen.
- December Christmas activities were lots of fun for the kids and kept everyone busy.
- The Troy Together events are happening every Wednesday and is being well received by the kids.
- The Grade 7's got to see the new scanning electron microscope and CMASTE presented to them.



Looking Forward – presented by Dr. Salerno:

- Amnesty International to present to students on January 20.
- Austin O'Brien high school will present to the Grade 9 students on January 20. Your home address will show you which catchment area you are in for which high school.
- Holy Trinity high school will present to the Grade 9 students on January 21.
- ECSD Parent Survey's have been distributed to families and the school is hoping for many responses back. Laura Thibert added that the board of trustees take the annual survey seriously and that the families voices are heard at the school and the ECSD board level as well. Surveys are due January 23. The students will be taking the student version of the survey on January 14.
- Ski Trip #1 is on January 29.
- St. Joseph high school to present to the Grade 9 students on February 3.
- Father Michael Troy Open House is scheduled for February 5 @ 6:30 p.m.
- Valentine's Dance will be on February 13.
- Grade 6 visit day is on February 19
- Faith Development and Teacher's Convention is February 25-27.

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**6.0 Standing Business**

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- a. CFEP Grant Update
- b. ACSA Membership - A volunteer membership is available that provides resources, bylaws, and guidance on conducting meetings for the Parent Council. The board covers the cost and offers presentations, an AGM, guest speakers, and additional resources. This membership has been approved and is free to members. Those interested may contact Kari for login information.
- c. Poinsettia Fundraiser – this was a successful fundraiser, with a profit of \$330. Action to Dr. Salerno to follow up with the office regarding the cheque.

Dr. Salerno

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**7.0 New Business**

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- a. Fundraisers

Easter – Purdy's fundraising has been done in the past but wasn't always very successful. After discussion, it was decided we will pass on the Purdy's fundraiser this year and revisit the possibility in 2027.

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Mother's Day Flower – Bonnie Doon Flowers. This will be added to the agenda for the March meeting and discussed then.

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b. ASCE – Alberta School Council Engagement Grant - \$500

The council discussed what this grant has been used for in the past (Zebra house, internet safety). Dr. Salerno received a suggestion from Amanda (our school social worker) that the school hosts, in partnership with this council an Oilers Watch Party. This way we can celebrate our new screen in the gym, sell some snacks and use the \$500 for this event. The council agreed this is a great idea and we can use the \$500 to pay for pizza (and do pre-registration on Power School). Agreed on March 12 Oilers vs. Dallas Stars, 6:00 start time (doors at 5:30). Dr. Salerno and Mrs. Belland to investigate logistics further and look at details for pizza (Papa Johns could give a discount?).

Thank you, Dr. Salerno and Mrs. Belland, for showing the Advisory Council the new screen in the gym!

The school as also ordered picnic tables, 1 trash can and a outdoor speaker for the back of the school.

Dr. Salerno  
Mrs. Belland

c. Welcome Trustee Laura Thibert!

Trustee Thibert, Catholic school trustee for Ward 77, joined us for the meeting. This is her 15<sup>th</sup> year in this position and values the community support she receives. Community engagement is Laura's top priority and is the voice of the community at the board meetings. Trustee Thibert reinforced that the parent surveys are highly valued by the board.

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8.0 Next Meeting – March 3, 2026 at 6:30. This date gives us the chance to touch base before the Oilers Watch party.

9.0 Motion to adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Thank you to everyone for attending this meeting.