



# MINUTES

## Golden Hills School Division No. 75

### Regular Meeting of The Board of Trustees

Meeting Type : REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Date : Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Start time : 9:30 AM

Location : Boardroom of the Golden Hills School Division No. 75

### Minutes

#### Attendance

Present were:

**a) Chair**

- Laurie Huntley

**b) Vice Chair**

- Barry Kletke

**c) Trustee**

- Jim Northcott
- Justin Bolin
- Rob Pirie
- Jennifer Mertz

**d) Superintendent**

- Bevan Daverne

**e) Associate Superintendent**

- Wes Miskiman

**f) Deputy Superintendent**

- Dr. Kandace Jordan

**g) Secretary - Treasurer**

- Tahra Sabir

**h) Recording Secretary**

- Kristy Polet

#### Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

#### Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge that we are on lands in the Treaty 7 area. We are making this acknowledgment to demonstrate our commitment to work together as a community in laying the foundation for reconciliation through education.

#### In Camera

**Resolution #BD20180424.1001**

**MOVED by Trustee Pirie** that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:36 a.m. to discuss legal matters.

Carried

**Resolution #BD20180424.1002**

**MOVED by Trustee Kletke** that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 11:29 a.m.

Carried

Associate Superintendent Miskiman excused himself from the meeting at 11:30 a.m. due to prior engagement.

**Approval Of Agenda**

**Resolution #BD20180424.1003**

**MOVED by Trustee Mertz** that the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

**Presentation of Minutes**

**Resolution #BD20180424.1004**

**MOVED by Trustee Bolin** that the Board of Trustees approve minutes of March 27, 2018 as presented.

Carried

**Chair's Report**  
(REPORTS)

Chair Huntley reported on the following items:

- Correspondence:
  - Discussed response from Mary Martin, President of Alberta School Boards Association, Trustees are requesting more information to be put forth by Mary Martin.
  - Discussed letters from Cathy Hogg, President and Mary-Lynne Campbell, Executive Director of Public School Boards' Association (PSBAA).
  - Discussed Alberta Educations Questionnaire, Role of Superintendent.
- Attended Council of Councils Meeting held March 27, 2018, great opportunity for networking.
- Reviewed meeting with Cathy Hogg, President, and Mary-Lynne Campbell, Executive Director of PSBAA, that was held at Golden Hills Division Office on March 28, 2018.
- Trustees Huntley and Pirie met and discussed updating the Board section of the Golden Hills School Division website. Suggestions include biographies, explanation of the role of a Trustee, Board highlights, as well as other items of interest to stakeholders. This will be an ongoing process.
- Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) will be hosting an interactive webinar presenting the proposed ASBA Budget 2018/19 during which trustees can participate and ask questions. This will take place on Thursday, April 26, 2018.
- PSBAA link to media articles: <http://www.public-schools.ab.ca/headlines-more>
- Public Funds For Public Schools Press Conference (video) will be held on Monday, March 5, 2018
- Public school proponents push for cut in funding to Alberta private schools, Monday, March 5, 2018.

**George Freeman School Presentation - W. Funk, Principal**  
(REPORTS)

Superintendent Daverne welcomed W. Funk, Principal of George Freeman School, who presented the Schools' Education Plan, the three Pillars; Action in Character, Action in Our World, Action in Life, described the layout of the school rooms, sports and academic programs that will be introduced. Superintendent Daverne and Chair Huntley thanked him for the presentation.

**Board Committees**  
(REPORTS)

Trustees Mertz and Pirie presented information on the following:

- Discussed the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 meeting that they attended on Friday, April 6, 2018.
- Edwin Parr Awards Banquet is being held Thursday, May 24, 2018 at the Teatro Restaurant.

- Discussed meeting held with the Mayor of Strathmore, Pat Fule - emphasis was made on how well it is to work with Golden Hills School Division.

Trustee Kletke presented information on the following:

- Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) Council Meeting held April 12-14, 2018.
  - Discussed workplan;
  - Mary-Lynne Campbell, President and Cathy Hogg, Executive Director, met with the Catholic Board - positive reception.
- Discussed the 2017 deficit Budget - elected officials will see their partial tax exemption removed, starting 2019.
- Discussed meeting with MLA, Nathan Cooper, United Conservative Party Member. Would like to plan another meeting with both MLA, Nathan Cooper and MLA, Leela Aheer.

Chair Huntley presented information on the following:

- Discussed the Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC) meeting that was held during the Alberta Rural Education Symposium, March 4-6, 2018. Unfortunately Chair Huntley didn't receive the invitation, but did receive the background information.
  - Budget - cost recovery is \$534.29 to be a member, there are 31 members to date.
  - RSBC will be meeting on Sunday, June 3, 2018 during the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) SGM.
- Would like the Policy Committee to review all policies on an annual basis.

No information to report on from our External Organization Representatives.

**Board  
Representatives to  
External  
Organizations**  
(REPORTS)

**Administration  
Reports**  
(REPORTS)

Superintendent Daverne presented information on behalf of Associate Superintendent Miskiman on the following topics:

- HR Update:
  - Edwin Parr is being held on Thursday, May 24, 2018.
  - Administration Announcements:
    - Corinna Hampson - Westmount Elementary School
    - Danielle Seabrook - Brentwood School
    - Doug Raycroft - Wheatland Crossing
    - Jill MacDonald - George Freeman School
    - Kevin Mertz - Strathmore High School
    - Stephen Dyekema - Trinity Cristian Academy
    - Jillian Gron - Westmount Elementary
  - New position, Third Administrator, required for Drumheller Valley Secondary School.
  - Career Fairs - Deputy Superintendent Jordan and Associate Superintendent Miskiman have been attending career fairs across Canada recruiting Teachers, noticing a shortage of Teachers.
  - Brentwood School - hired a new French Immersion Teacher.
  - Apply to Education - is an online clearing house for advertising teacher jobs.
  - Teacher retirements in Golden Hills School Division (GHSD), this year is ten. GHSD will be hosting retirement Workshops.
  - Long Service Awards (LSA) is being held Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at the Travelodge in Strathmore, AB.

Deputy Superintendent Jordan presented information on the following topics:

- In the midst of hiring - positions are being prioritized.

- Receiving curriculum feedback.
- Leadership Training is being held Tuesday, May 1, 2018, guest speaker, Dr. Peter Gamwell of Leading Creative Organizations.
- Working on the Powerful Learning model and icon to tie in with the new curriculum.

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed the flooding situations:
  - Siksika, state of emergency, effecting First Nation Students.
  - Implications in Three Hills and Kneehill Creeck, Drumheller and Carseland - students are having to go to different pick up locations.
- Mileage Rates - Canadian Revenue Agency (CRA) announced the new rates as of January 2018, \$.054 per km (over 5000 km), \$0.49 per km (under 5000 km), \$0.51 per km (year round). GHSD will align their mileage rates to the CRA.
- County Meeting to be held Wednesday, May 2, 2018 to discuss Central Bow Valley School.
- Facility Update - showed pictures of George Freeman School and Recreational Facility construction, drywall being installed, mechanical room being worked on, rebar is being installed in the recreation facility so the concrete can be poured.

Superintendent Daverne presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed the Bombings that took place in Toronto, ON, not a terrorist attack. This will not effect Crowther Memorial Jr. High Eastern Canada Trip.
- High School Principals - discussed high school flexibility, possibility of introducing a grade 13.
- Transportation advertising.
- W. Funk, Principal of George Freeman School, will be hosting Parent Information meetings, registration will begin.
- Special Meeting Request - May 3, 2018
- School Tour dates - Monday, April 30, Wednesday, May 2 or Tuesday, May 15, 2018, Trustees will be touring GHSD Northern Schools.
- Discussed drafting a letter to Education Minister, David Eggen in regards to CEU, concerned if we will receive payment from funding.
- Transportation Survey - GHSD will be sending out to parents of students that utilize our busing system. Alberta Education is also sending out a Transportation Survey.

**Resolution #BD20180424.1005**

**MOVED by Trustee Kletke** that the Board of Trustees send a letter to Education Minister, David Eggen in regards to CEU cap affecting Summer Schools.

**Carried**

**PSBAA Membership Review**

(Action Items)

**Resolution #BD20180424.1006**

**MOVED by Trustees Kletke** that the Board of Trustees continue membership in Public School Boards Association (PSBAA) for four years with review in April 2021.

**Carried**

**Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC)**

(Action Items)

**Resolution #BD20180424.1007**

**MOVED by Trustee Pirie** that the Board of Trustees approve membership in Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC) for four years with a review in 2020-2021.

**Carried**

**Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report (March 2018)**

(Information Items)

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report for March 31, 2018.

**Budget 2018/2019**

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on Budget 2018-2019.

(Information Items)

**Second Quarterly  
Financial Report**  
(Information Items)

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on Second Quarterly Financial Report for September 2017 - February 2018.

**School Tours - Set  
Dates**  
(School Monitoring  
Reports)

Superintendent Daverne and Board of Trustees discussed dates for School Tours.  
• Thursday, May 3, 2018

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution #BD20180424.1008  
MOVED by Trustee Northcott** that the Board of Trustees adjourn at 3:10 p.m.

**Carried**

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Chair

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Secretary Treasurer

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