



MINUTES

Golden Hills School Division No. 75

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Meeting Type : REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Date : Tuesday, September 30, 2014

Start time : 9:30 AM

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

Minutes

Attendance

Present were:

a) Chair

- David Price

b) Vice-Chair

- Larry Tucker

c) Trustee

- Barry Kletke
- Sherri Nielsen
- Alan Larsen
- Joyce Bazant

d) Superintendent of Schools

- Bevan Daverne

e) Associate Superintendent

- Kandace Jordan
- Wes Miskiman

f) Secretary/Treasurer

- Tahra Sabir

g) Reporting Secretary

- Kristy Polet

Call to Order

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

In Camera

Resolution #BD20140930.1001

MOVED by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees go in-camera at 9:36 a.m. to discuss legal issues.

Carried

Resolution #BD20140930.1002

MOVED by Trustee Nielsen that the Board of Trustees rise from in-camera at 12:20 p.m.

Carried

BREAK

Recessed at 12:25 p.m.

Reconvene at 1:11 p.m.

Approval Of Agenda

Resolution #BD20140930.1003

MOVED by Trustee Larsen that the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as amended with the addition of moving Administration Reports to 7.5 and introduce Trustee Reports as 7.4.

Carried

Presentation of Minutes

Resolution #BD20140930.1004

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the August 26, 2014 Regular meeting as amended.

Carried

Resolution #BD20140930.1005

MOVED by Trustee Larsen that the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the August 26, 2014 Organizational Meeting as presented.

Carried

Chair's Report
(REPORTS)

Chair Price reported on the following items:

- Contacted ASBA President Helen Cleese regarding the recent public letter from Honorable G. Dirks, newly appointed Education Minister. Chair Price hoping to meet with the President to discuss letter and what it means for school boards.

Board Committees
(REPORTS)

There was nothing to report on at this time.

Board Representatives to External Organizations
(REPORTS)

Trustee Bazant presented information on the ASBA Zone 5 meeting she attended on September 5, 2014.

- The ASBA is recruiting for positions on the Board, including the Chair's position.

Trustee Report
(REPORTS)

Trustee Larsen presented information on the following:

- School Council Meetings that he has been attending in his Ward.
- Inquired and discussed boundaries in the Golden Hills School Division.
- Discussed Invitation to meet with Premier Jim Prentice, new leader for the Progressive Conservative Party of Alberta.

Trustee Nielsen presented information on the following:

- Collaborative Day that was held at DVSS - it was a great success!
- Inquired and discussed the procedure for registering a child for school and bussing.

Trustee Kletke presented information on the following:

- President of the PSBAA contacted Trustee Kletke in regards to setting up a meeting with the GHSD Board of Trustees, Superintendent Daverne has also been in contact with her.

Administration Reports (REPORTS)

Associate Superintendent Miskiman presented information on the following topics:

- Human Resource update:
 - The Appointment of Bill Thompson to the position of Supervisor of Occupational Health and Safety/Human Resources. Mr. Thompson will begin October 1, 2014.
- Producing a Central Office handbook, will be finalized shortly.
- Discussed CUPE Bargaining - will resume at the end of October.
- Staffing update:
 - Hiring for 6 New Teaching positions, these will be posted on our website along with the "Apply to Education" website.
 - GHSD has filled 32 New Teaching positions since the Spring of 2014.

Associate Superintendent Jordan presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed the Professional Development Day that was held September 19, 2014.
- Discussed SLA (Student Learning Assessment) Jeff Grimsdale, Director of Student Assessment and Curriculum Support.

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed challenges with our Transportation start of the 2014-2015 school year and various process improvements recommended by the Transportation Department;
 - Streamline process to have students on a bus
 - Software needs
 - Recruitment of bus drivers
 - Improvement of communication between staff, parents and students
- Discussed Transportation agreements that we have between neighboring Divisions.

Superintendent Daverne presented information on the following topics:

- PCA (Prairie Christian Academy) - discussed the relocation plans for students during modernization.
- Discussed the economic climate and the challenge for Contractors to bid on out of town construction projects, due to the ongoing growth of the larger cities. ie. Calgary & Edmonton
- New East Wheatland School:
 - County has set the application for the Development Permit - date for October 14, 2014.
 - This project will be tendered once the Development Permit has been granted, the Cost consultant report is finalized and AB Infrastructure reviews final report.
 - Trustee Larsen discussed application for Development Permit.
- Trochu Gym:
 - Currently they want to put in the hardwood for the gym floor but they are waiting for the moisture content to go down.
- PSBAA would like to meet with the Board of Trustees - possible meeting date is October 31, 2014.

Field Studies Excursion(Drumheller Valley Secondary School) (Action Items)

Resolution #BD20140930.1006

G. Reagan, Principal (Strathmore High School) was in attendance to answer questions regarding the field trip.

MOVED by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees approves the proposed high school field studies/excursion for Strathmore High School to New Orleans from March 26

- 30th, 2015 subject to advisory notices from Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada website http://www.voyage.gc.ca/countries_pays/updates_mise-a-jour-eng.asp such that if a travel warning is issued prior to the trip and not rescinded before the departure date, the trip will be cancelled and parents must be advised that this will be the case.

Carried

**Field Studies
Excursion(Strathmore
High School)**
(Action Items)

Resolution #BD20140930.1007

C. LaPierre, Principal (Drumheller Valley secondary School) was on the phone to respond to Trustee questions regarding the field trip.

MOVED by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees approves the proposed high school field studies/excursion for Drumheller Valley Secondary School to Vimy Ridge/Europe from April 6-15, 2017 subject to advisory notices from Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada website http://www.voyage.gc.ca/countries_pays/updates_mise-a-jour-eng.asp such that if a travel warning is issued prior to the trip and not rescinded before the departure date, the trip will be cancelled and parents must be advised that this will be the case.

Carried

Advocacy Planning
(Action Items)

Resolution #BD20140930.1008

MOVED by Trustee Tucker to table the Advocacy Planning discussion to the next earliest available date.

Carried

**Field Studies
Excursion(Strathmore
High School)**
(Action Items)

BREAK

Recessed at 2:45 p.m.

Reconvene at 2:55 p.m.

**IMR and Capital
Projects
Report(Summer
update)**
(Information Items)

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented a powerpoint on IMR and Capital Projects completed in the summer. Need to continue to advocate for funding and close the gap between industry standards on \$4 million and current funding of less than \$1 million annually.

**Preliminary
Enrolment Update**
(Information Items)

Superintendent Daverne presented information to the Board of Trustees on the Enrolment Monitoring Report for information and for the record. Golden Hills is pleased to see a slight increase in enrolment across the district.

System Enhancement
(Information Items)

Associate Superintendent Jordan presented information on the System Enhancement Monitoring report for 2013-2014.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #BD20140930.1009

MOVED by Trustee Nielsen that the meeting adjourn at 4:10 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

Chair Initials _____ Secretary Treasurer Initials: _____

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