

Golden Hills School Division No. 75 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 17, 2011

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

held in the Boardroom of the Golden Hills School Division No. 75

office in Strathmore, Alberta on Tuesday, May 17, 2011.

Present Dave Price Chair

Janet Bolinger Vice-Chair
Karen Harries Trustee
Larry Maerz Trustee
Bob McKay Trustee
Larry Tucker Trustee

Dianne McBeth Superintendent

Kandace Jordan Deputy Superintendent
Ed Holt Associate Superintendent
Tahra Sabir Secretary-Treasurer

Brenda Scott Recording Secretary

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Price called the meeting to order at 9:43 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera* 2011-05-17-413

Moved by Trustee that the Board go *In Camera at 9:44 a.m.* to address a personnel matter and board operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera* 2011-05-17-414

Moved by Trustee that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 11:05 a.m.

Carried

Motions Arising from In Camera Manager of Technology 2011-05-17-415

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board of Trustees approves the proposed annual salary range for the classification of Manager of Technology, effective May 17, 2011 as per Schedule J, dated May 17, 2011.

<u>Carried</u>

BREAK

Recessed 11:05 a.m. Reconvened 11:20 a.m.

1. Opening Prayer

Trustee Maerz offered the opening prayer.

2. Approval of Agenda 2011-05-17-416

Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda.

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes

 The Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011.

2011-05-17-417

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board adopts the minutes of the April 19, 2011 meeting as presented.

Carried

2) Special Meeting of March 31, 2011.

2011-05-17-418

Moved by Trustee Bolinger that the Board adopts the minutes of the March 31, 2011 special meeting with the addition of the attendees including Trustees Price, Bolinger, McKay, Tucker, Maerz, Harries as well as T. Gunderson, facilitator (ASBA) and recording secretary B. Scott.

Carried

II REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Price reported on the following items:

- Attended Alberta Education meeting on May 3, 2011 at the Rocky View School Division along with D. McBeth, T. Sabir. Information about the Education Act tabled April 27 was presented by Minister Hancock. Stakeholders are invited to provide feedback by visiting the Alberta Education website at www.education.alberta.ca
- Attended an Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) meeting on Advocacy
- Received a thank you letter from the Honorable Minister
 D. Hancock, Minister of Education re: Board's expression of appreciation for the Trochu Value Management
- 2. Division Administration
- D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- April 19, Alberta Teachers' Association executive/Board dinner meeting
- April 20, Golden Hills hosted the annual community stakeholder engagement in the Carbon Community Hall.
 Feedback is now posted to the GHSD website. The stakeholder priorities for the learning system included infusing technology as a tool; providing more opportunities for stakeholder engagement; developing good citizens,



- and focusing on the 21st century skills of critical thinking, collaborating, problem solving
- April 26-29, attended the annual College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS) and Alberta Education spring conference in Edmonton. Highlights included Dr. K. Leithwood speaking on School Leaders' Influences on Student Learning and Characteristics of Divisions that are Exceptional in Advancing Student Learning. The Honorable D. Hancock, Minister of Education also spoke on the Education Act.
- May 3, attended Alberta Education meeting in Airdrie re: tabling of the draft (new) Education Act. Highlights of changes are noted on the Alberta Education website www.education.alberta.ca
- May 4, met with Prairie Christian Academy Society and School Council representatives to discuss implications of impending changes in leasing
- May 8-10, administration team attended the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS) Team Leadership Academy with Dr. Ben Levin, Dr. Lynn Sharrat and Dr. Michael Fullan
- May 12, attended Standard School's student conference which included Hussar and Rockyford Schools
- May 12, Christ the Redeemer conducted its vote on the formation of a Catholic Separate School Division Results, according to Christ the Redeemer: 33 needed for quorum, 51 attended; 49 voted; 41 in favour and 8 opposed. Carried. They are now awaiting ministerial approval. The implications are that Christ the Redeemer will bus Rockyford area students to Strathmore.
- May 13, attended the Project Hope Gala and appreciate that Dr. Jordan was honored for her involvement in the initial design of the project and sustaining it since 1994
- May 14, attended the Acme/Dr. Elliott graduation ceremony and dinner. Students aspire to a variety of careers and post-secondary pursuites. Of note, Mr. Semotiuk, attended his last graduation as principal pending his retirement this June.
- Trustees are encouraged to visit
 <u>www.activehealthykids.ca</u> for a report card on physical activity of children and youth. This year the report highlights the critical after-school period from 3-6 p.m. as the most important time for ensuring students have physical activity
- Various newspaper articles
- May 13, meeting to further develop the draft Siksika Education Services Agreement. The work is nearing completion.



ii) K. Jordan, Deputy Superintendent Instructional Services

Deputy Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Expressed appreciation to Project Hope volunteers Sheila Konschuh, Leanne Hilton, Ron Corbiell and Larry Tucker. The Canadian Association of Music Therapy recognized the music therapists.
- Positive feedback from parent for support of student field trips in Golden Hills
- iii) E. Holt, Associate Superintendent Human Resources

Associate Superintendent Holt reported on the following items:

- Attended the Siksika Graduation Pow Wow at Strathmore High School. Commendations to Eulalia Running Rabbit and Connie Kopp for organizing.
- iv) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items:

- Extending the tender close date for Central School until June 2, 2011
- Attended the Association of School Business Officials of Alberta (ASBOA) Conference. Received information on various topics such as the inclusinve education model, communications skills and networking

III NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

 Field Studies/Excursion – Strathmore High School 2011-05-17-419 Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees approves the Strathmore High School field study/student excursion to New York City, New York April 6-13, 2012 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 the trip will be cancelled and parents must be advised that this will be the case.

Carried

- 2. Change of Board Meeting
- Consideration to Transfer Grades 7 and 8 from Rockyford 2011-05-17-420

The recommendation to re-schedule the June 28 board meeting was discussed and it was determined that rather than reschedule the June board meetings that an additional meeting would be added to accommodate the Board self-evaluation.

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees transfers grades 7 and 8 from Rockyford School to Standard School effective June 30, 2011.

Carried



1.	Information Items Report on Administrative Designations	Associate Superintendent Holt reported on the administrative designations for the 2011-2012 school year for information and for the record.
V 1.	PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL REPORTS	Chair Price welcomed C. Lapierre, Principal (Drumheller Valley Secondary and Drumheller Outreach Schools), who highlighted the school's Education Plans and the results achieved. Chair Price thanked C. Lapierre for the presentations.
Adjournment 2011-05-17-421		Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 2:18 p.m. Carried

Secretary-Treasurer