



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

September 14th, 2010

Minutes

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, September 14, 2010.

Present

Ron Kenworthy	Chair
Joyce Bazant	Vice-Chair
Shirley Buyer	Trustee
Karen Harries	Trustee
Barry Kletke	Trustee
Larry Maerz	Trustee
Bob McKay	Trustee
Barb Rangen	Trustee
Dianne McBeth	Superintendent
Kandace Jordan	Associate Superintendent
Ed Holt	Deputy Superintendent
Tahra Sabir	Secretary-Treasurer
Brenda Scott	Recording Secretary

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Motion to go In-Camera
2010-09-14-225

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board of Trustees go *in camera* at 9:32 a.m. to discuss personnel matters and board operations.

Carried

Motion to Rise from
In-Camera
2010-09-14-226

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board of Trustees *rise from in camera* at 10:38 a.m.

Carried

1. Opening Prayer

Trustee Bazant offered the opening prayer.

2. Welcoming

Chair Kenworthy welcomed the public and read the Vision and Mission statements.

**3. Approval of Agenda
2010-09-14-227**

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda with the following change:

- III. New Business, Action Item 2. ASBA Request to move



to first item on agenda to meet time constraint

Carried

III NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

Alberta School Boards Association Request moved ahead in the agenda to facilitate a response by 12:00 (noon).

1. Alberta School
Boards Association
Request

2010-09-14-228

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board of Trustees authorizes the ASBA to represent the interests of school boards in tripartite discussions on sustaining workforce stability in the education sector and enabling continued collaboration on transformation of the K-12 system.

Carried

2010-09-14-229

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees authorizes the board chair to poll trustees as needed in order to respond ASBA's request for timely feedback during the Tripartite Discussions.

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes of
1) The Regular Meeting
of August 24, 2010

2010-09-14-230

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board adopts the minutes of the meeting as presented.

Carried

II REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Kenworthy reported on the following items:

- Invitation to the Central Alberta Premier's Dinner, October 14, Red Deer
- Invitation to the Southern Alberta Premier's Dinner, October 21, Lethbridge
- Email #49, August 24, 2010 to Board Chairs from President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association requesting that Trustees encourage citizens to run for school board
- Letter of September 3, 2010 from J. Gibbons, Senior Education Advisor, Alberta School Boards Association re: telephone survey of board chairs' perceptions of their roles. Information collected will inform the new School Act.
- Letter of September 3, 2010 to School Board Chairs and Superintendents from K. Checkel, Chair, Clearwater Public



- Schools re: position on the tripartite process
 - Copy of June 30, 2010 letter from K. Checkel, Chair, Clearwater Public Schools to H. Welwood, President, Alberta School Boards Association, stating Clearwater's opposition re: extending the current salary agreement after 2010-09-13
 - Copy of April 21, 2010 letter from K. Checkel, Chair, Clearwater Public Schools to Honorable D. Hancock, Minister of Education, stating Clearwater's position on extending the teacher salary agreement after 2012
 - Email of September 7, 2010 to Board Chairs from S. Pelland, Peace Wapiti Public Schools re: opposing the Alberta School Boards Association's request regarding the Tripartite discussions
2. Board Representatives to External Committees
- Alberta School Boards Association Zone 5

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Recessed 12:03 p.m.

Reconvened 1:02 p.m.

3. Division Administration

- i) D. McBeth,
Superintendent of
Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- Back to school staff assemblies re: Board's Education Plan priorities occurred August 30 and 31, in Three Hills, Drumheller, Strathmore and Standard
- August 31 conference call and briefing with ASBA President H. Welwood re: Tripartite proposal
- Attended Hussar School Council meeting, September 2
- Letter of August 16, 2010 from Alberta Children and Youth Services recruiting for Children and Youth Services' Boards and Appeals Panel members. More information at: www.child.gov.ab.ca
- Attended Calgary Regional Consortium (CRC) regional session on "Math for Administrators" re: implementation of new curriculum
- Visit to Acme, Dr. Elliott, Carbon and Trochu Valley Schools
- Trustee Orientation Events:
 - Board Orientation October 21 in the board room, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. facilitated by J. Gibbons, Senior Education Advisor, ASBA
 - Trustee orientation, October 27, 8:45 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. sponsored by Alberta School Boards Association, Executive Royal Inn, Calgary. Registration through Lynn English

- ii) K. Jordan, Associate
Superintendent

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Alberta Education selected Golden Hills for inclusion in the



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| Instructional Services | provincial research project on measuring jr/sr high student engagement on four indicators. Project schools include Drumheller Composite High School, Crowther Memorial Junior High and Three Hills |
| iii) E. Holt, Deputy Superintendent
Human Resources | Deputy Superintendent Holt reported on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recent staffing changes resulting from enrolment shifts |
| iv) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer | Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drumheller Composite High School project is on time and budget• Audit 2009-10 is in process• Provincial Approach to Student Information (PASI) intermediate PASI deadline was met |

III NEW BUSINESS

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| Action Items | . |
| 1. Alberta School Boards Association Request | Moved ahead in agenda re: time sensitivity response to Alberta School Boards Association. |
| 2. Field Studies/Excursion | Chair Kenworthy welcomed G. Reagan (Principal) and T. Bezzeg (Teacher) who provided information on the field excursion and answered Trustee questions. |
| 2010-09-14-231 | Moved by Trustee Rangen that the Board of Trustees approves the request for Strathmore High School to participate in the trip to Costa Rica, April 22-30, 2011.
<u>Carried</u> |
| 3. Policy Review, Division Foundation Statements | Superintendent McBeth presented information for Trustees to monitor Governance Policy 1, Division Foundation Statements. |
| 2010-09-14-232 | Moved by Trustee Buyer that the Board of Trustees approves Governance Policy 1, Division Foundation Statements.
<u>Carried</u> |
| 4. Central Alberta Governance Circle
2010-09-14-233 | Moved by Trustee Buyer that the Board of Trustees approves the attendance of two trustee representatives to the meeting of the Central Alberta Governance Circle, September 16, in Hanna, AB.
<u>Carried</u> |



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| Information Items | |
| 1. IMR and Capital Projects Report | Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the 2010 Infrastructure Maintenance Renewal Projects. |
| 2. Human Resources Preliminary Staffing Report for 2010-11 | Deputy Superintendent Holt presented information on the Preliminary Staffing Report for 2010-11. |
| 3. Enrolment Report | Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Preliminary Enrolment Report at September 7, 2010. |
| 4. International Summer Programs Report | Associate Superintendent Jordan presented information on International Student Services (ISS) Summer Programs. |

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Recessed 2:45 p.m.

Reconvened 3:00 p.m.

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| 5. Professional Development and Response to "Setting the Direction" | Associate Superintendent Jordan reviewed the division's comprehensive professional development plan which supports the goals and priorities of the Board's Education Plan and " <i>Setting the Direction</i> ". |
| 6. Human Rights S.11.1 (Notice) | Superintendent McBeth presented information on changes in <i>The Guide to Education</i> re: Notice under s.11.1 of the Alberta Human Rights Act. |

**IV PRESENTATIONS/
SCHOOL REPORTS**

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| 1. Westmount School | Chair Kenworthy welcomed W. Funk, Principal and D. Graff, Associate Principal (Westmount School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked W. Funk and D. Graff for the presentation. |
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V ADJOURNMENT
2010-09-14-234

Moved by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

Carried

Chair (Ron Kenworthy)

Secretary-Treasurer (Tahra Sabir)



Meeting Record

Type of Meeting: External Organization
Committee Name: Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5
Date of Meeting: September 3, 2010
Location of Meeting: Calgary, AB

Trustee Representative(s) Attending: Trustees J. Bazant and B. Rangen

See J. Bazant for minutes of the Zone 5 ASBA meeting

Report to the GHSD Board Meeting: September 14, 2010

Key Points of Discussion:

ASBA - President, Heather Welwood commented on the following:

- Leadership Program (SBO Lead) for all Secretary-Treasurers
- Goals of the tripartite discussions are to work together on transformation and extend labour peace
- ASBA recommends that the anticipated new School Act permits boards to appoint a CEO without approval from the Minister
- ASBA has a role to play in: transformation of Alberta's education, role of school boards, full time kindergarten and FMNI education.
- ASBA's perception that local bargaining is over ("the ship has sailed") and possibly a two tiered bargaining will emerge (e.g., salary to index, boards everything else). ASBA would have a key role with local boards making the final decision. The Collective Agreement / contract would thus remain at the local level.
- ASBA is asking the government for sustainable funding so boards can manage finances over a longer period of time
- ASBA is sponsoring a welcome/orientation for new trustees: Oct 27th, Executive Royal Inn, Calgary.
- ASBA advises that quick responses to requests for input on critical matters will require boards to have in place an "urgent/quick" process e.g., special meeting, electronic meetings, email, etc. and ASBA has wording for policy and procedures if needed.

David Woloshyn, Executive Director, Zone 5, Alberta Education, reported on the following:

- Nov 17 - Zone 5 AB Ed consultation & Information Regional Session at Rocky View School Board Office in Airdrie.
- *Setting the Direction* Framework recommends the building of a single inclusive education system that meets the leaning needs of all students, including those with diverse learning needs. See: <http://education.alberta.ca/media/1296822/inclusiveeducationfacts.pdf>
- Roles and Responsibilities for Alternative Programs
- Alberta Education is committed to developing and supporting a seamless, province-wide, wraparound approach. See: www.education.alberta.ca/wraparound
- See: Zone Director's Report in circulation for more information



ASEBP (Alberta School Employee Benefit Plan):

- **ASEBP will present at the October 1, Zone 5 ASBA meeting**
For other agenda items, contact Trustee Bazant

Comments from Other Boards:

- Calgary Board of Education: Even with 2.92% additional funding, CBE's expenditures are not sustainable.
- Christ the Redeemer: Enrolment up in all areas, e.g., Strathmore enrolment increased 5%
- Foothills School Division: Appointment of new Superintendent D. Rose means the deputy superintendent position is open
- **Rocky View Schools: Schools in Rocky View are at capacity and new, additional space is needed**

Future Meeting Dates:

- Oct 1
- Nov 12
- Dec

Submitted by: Joyce Bazant, Zone 5 Rep

Signature of Trustee Representative:

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