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

March 8, 2011

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, March 8, 2011

Present	Dave Price Janet Bolinger Karen Harries Larry Maerz Bob McKay Larry Tucker	Chair Vice-Chair Trustee Trustee Trustee Trustee
	Dianne McBeth Kandace Jordan Ed Holt	Superintendent Deputy Superintendent Associate Superintendent
	Brenda Scott	Recording Secretary

Absent Tahra Sabir Secretary-Treasurer

I CALL TO ORDER Chair Price called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2011-03-08-368 **Moved by Trustee McKay** that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:36 a.m. to address personnel matters and board operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2011-03-08-369 **Moved by Trustee Tucker** that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 10:14 a.m.

Carried

BREAK
Recessed 10:15 a.m.
Reconvened 10:30 a.m.

1. Opening Prayer Trustee Maerz offered the opening prayer.



- 2. Approval of Agenda
2011-03-08-370

Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda with the following additions:
IV: Action Item 1: ASBA Proposed Policy positions for Spring General Meeting and letters to Honorable A. Doerksen, MLA (Strathmore-Brooks), Honorable R. Marz, MLA (Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills), Honorable J. Hayden, MLA (Drumheller-Stettler) and the Honorable D. Hancock, Minister of Education regarding budget announcement

Carried

- 3. Presentation of Minutes
 - 1) The Regular Meeting of February 22, 2011
2011-03-08-371

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board adopts the minutes of the February 22, 2011 meeting as presented.

Carried

- Compensation Review –
CUPE 1184
2011-03-08-372

Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees approves the contract between Golden Hills School Division No. 75 and the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 1184 effective from September 1, 2010 to August 31, 2012, dated March 8, 2011.

Carried

- Request for Sabbatical Leave
2011-03-08-373

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees approves, in accordance with the Collective Agreement between Golden Hills School Division No. 75 and the Alberta Teachers' Association, the one requested sabbatical leave in accordance with Article 9.2, subject to the teacher maintaining full time student status as determined by Golden Hills School Division No. 75.

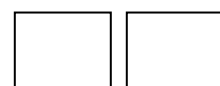
Carried

II REPORTS

- 1. Board Chair

Chair Price reported on the following items:

- February 24, Minister of Education embargoed conference call to Board Chairs re: Budget 2011-12
- February 24, letter sent to Rocky View School Division to accept April 7th meeting date
- March 6, attended Carbon School Council meeting
- Opportunity for interested Trustees re: Alberta School



Boards Association Provincial School Safety Committee

2. Board Representatives to External Organizations

- Alberta School Boards Association Zone 5

Trustee Maerz reported on the Alberta Schools Boards Association Zone 5 meeting of March 4, 2011 (report attached).

3. Division Administration

i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- February 23 and March 2, school site visits with Trustees
- February 24 and 25, attended the Palliser District Teachers' 72nd Convention
- February 28, attended along with D. Hinds-Nunziata, Alberta Education's Research Seminar, "Inclusion, Multiple Lenses"
- March 3 and 4, Leadership Learning Institute, "*Learning for Tomorrow*", a professional development for Golden Hills administrators, and presented a powerpoint re: context for discussions about the transformational agenda for education in Alberta

ii) K. Jordan, Deputy Superintendent Instructional Services

Deputy Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- March 3 and 4, participated in the Leadership Learning Institute, "Learning for Tomorrow"
- Partnerships with Calgary Regional Consortium and Pearson Canada

iii) E. Holt, Associate Superintendent Human Resources

Associate Superintendent Holt reported on the following items:

- Success of our locally developed Paleontology 15 which is being used by several other school jurisdictions in Alberta

III BUSINESS ARISING

Information Items

1. October 2010 Election Expenses

Superintendent McBeth responded to Board Motion # 2011-02-33-359, a request for information on election expenses of October 2010.

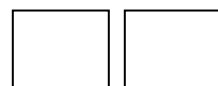
BREAK

Recessed 12:12 p.m.

Reconvened 1:12 p.m.

IV NEW BUSINESS

Information Items



- 1. Budget Announcement 2011/2012 from Alberta Education
Superintendent McBeth presented information on the 2011/2012 Budget Announcement from the Honorable D. Hancock, Minister of Education.

BREAK

Recessed 2:34 p.m.

Reconvened 2:57 p.m.

- 2. Policy 7, *Board Operations*
Superintendent McBeth presented information on Policy 7, *Board Operations* at 6, Agenda for Regular Meetings.

Action Items

- 1. Alberta School Boards Association Spring General Meeting Proposed Policy Positions
2011-03-08-374
Moved by Trustee Maerz that the board of trustees forwards to ASBA Zone 5 the following suggested topics for policy directives, as it is understood that the board expresses a general intent, whereas ASBA develops the precise wording.

- 1) That ASBA develop policy related to the legal action fund and that such policy clarifies the amount to be contributed annually by member boards, annual reporting on the status of the fund, criteria for disbursements, and to include decision-making by trustee representatives (e.g. Board of Directors or Legal Fund Committee).
- 2) That the provincial government provides a rebate to school boards for the fuel taxes collected on school bus operations
- 3) That the ASBA supports Trustee terms of appointment beyond the current three years.
- 4) That the ASBA undertakes a campaign to educate the public, as well as municipal and provincial governments re: the need for sustainable, predictable funding to support thoughtful planning rather than reactive decision-making imposed by short term funding.
- 5) That the ASBA develops policy regarding the need for transparent, predictable criteria and processes for capital funding approval from the provincial government

Carried

Letters to Minister of Education and MLA's re: Budget announcement

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board of Trustees communicates with Honorable A. Doerksen, MLA (Strathmore-Brooks), Honorable R. Marz, MLA (Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills),



2011-03-08-375

Honorable J. Hayden, MLA (Drumheller-Stettler) and members of local governments to present a rationale for sustainable, predictable funding that supports long term planning and to discuss the impact of Budget 2011-12 on the operations of Golden Hills School Division No. 75.

Carried

V PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL REPORTS

1. Crowther Memorial Junior High School

Chair Price welcomed I. Wright, Principal (Crowther Memorial Junior High) who highlighted the school's Education Plan and the results achieved. Chair Price thanked I. Wright for the presentation.

2. Dr. Elliott School

S. Campbell, Principal (Dr. Elliott School) by videoconference, highlighted the school's Education Plan and the results achieved. Chair Price thanked S. Campbell for the presentation.

Adjournment
2011-03-08-376

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 3:43 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

