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

September 28, 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 28, 2010.

Present Ron Kenworthy Chair
Joyce Bazant Vice-Chair
Karen Harries Trustee
Barry Kletke Trustee (arrived at 1:55 p.m.)
Larry Maerz Trustee
Bob McKay Trustee
Barb Rangen Trustee

Dianne McBeth Superintendent of Schools
Kandace Jordan Associate Superintendent of Schools
Ed Holt Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Tahra Sabir Secretary-Treasurer

Brenda Scott Recording Secretary

Absent Shirley Buyer Trustee

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2010-09-28-235

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:34 a.m. to address a Personnel matter and the Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination results as per the provincial protocol.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2010-09-28-236

Moved by Trustee Rangen that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 11:10 a.m.

Carried

BREAK
Recessed 11:10 a.m.
Reconvened 11:30 a.m.



1. Opening Prayer

Trustee Harries offered the opening prayer.

Motion from In-camera

2010-09-28-237

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board approves the compensation for the Secretary-Treasurer as recommended in the in-camera backgrounder dated September 28, 2010.

Carried

2. Approval of Agenda

2010-09-28-238

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

- III New Business Action Items: add Alberta School Boards Association Policy Positions for the Fall Annual General Meeting (AGM 2010).

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes

1) The Regular Meeting of
September 14, 2010

2010-09-28-239

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:

- Email #51, September 14, 2010 from President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association advising that the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) and Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) joined in a public call to encourage citizens to get involved in the October 18 election
- Letter of September 15, 2010 to President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association re: Tripartite Discussions
- Email #52, September 17, 2010 from President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association advising that the master boards unanimously approved ASBA's participation in the Tripartite Discussions
- Letter of September 15, 2010 from Central Alberta Child and Family Services advising that the 2010-2013 Business Plan is available online for review www.centralalbertaacfsa.gov.ab.ca/home
- Copy of letter, September 27, 2010 to President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association from Sturgeon School Division re: Tripartite Discussion concerns



- Copy of letter, September 27, 2010 to President H. Welwood, Alberta School Boards Association from Calgary Board of Education re: tripartite discussion concerns
- Misinformation submitted by B. Woolley and K. Leinweber to the Three Hills Capital, September 12, 2010 Re:
 - Board welcomes and invites delegations as indicated in correspondence to B. Woolley and K. Leinweber
 - Board speaks as one voice once a motion is decided.
 - Trustees welcome calls and conversations with the public.
 - All Trustees are required to vote on all issues except when there is a declared pecuniary interest. No one's vote is removed.
 - Board reviewed ward structure and number of trustees in a year long process and provided for public input on several opportunities.
 - All funding (base, differential and targeted for specific initiatives) is to the jurisdiction, not the schools. This is the most common misunderstanding about "small school by necessity".
 - Golden Hills School Division finances are thoroughly audited annually by an independent third party and monitored by the Ministry of Education. The Audited Financial Statement is posted to the website.
 - Alberta Education states emphatically that the Fraser rankings are an inappropriate and misleading use of data. Students in private, exclusive schools should not, for example, be compared to students from very dissimilar contexts.

2. Board Representatives to
External Organizations

- Central Alberta Governance
Circle

Chair Kenworthy commented on his written report re:
September 16, 2010 meeting of the Central Alberta Governance
Circle.

BREAK

Recessed 12:06 p.m.

Reconvened 1:07 p.m.



3. Division Administration

i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- September 16, 2010 attended funeral of Mrs. C. Rauch, teacher with our Northstar Academy who was tragically killed in a motor vehicle accident. Sadly, Mr. Rob Naylor, retired teacher, Three Hills School, also passed away. The funeral for Mr. Rob Naylor was held September 18. Condolences to both families was sent.
- September 19 and 20, 2010, attended College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS) mentorship training program
- September 22, 2010 facilitated Administrators' meeting
- September 11, 2010 meeting with Mr. J. Gibbons, Senior Education Advisor, Alberta School Boards Association re: trustee orientation, October 21. An additional orientation (Alberta School Boards Association) occurs October 27, and a third for new trustees and new chairs is planned for January 2011.
- September 22, 2010 meeting in Calgary of Alberta Education's International Advisory Council re: "China Connection".
- September 23, 2010, meeting in Calgary sponsored by Treaty 7 Management re: Memorandum of Agreement
- September 23 and 24, 2010 meeting in Calgary sponsored by the CRC and CASS re: Digital Citizenship Symposium
- Various newspaper articles

ii) K. Jordan, Associate Superintendent Instructional Services

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Crowther Memorial Junior High School Grade Nine Eastern Canada Trip for 110 students and chaperones to Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City, May 7 to May 13 2011.
- Strathmore High School trip to Ottawa for 17 students and chaperones, November 5 to 12, 2010.
- Golden Hills School Division is participating in a project on school improvement and the enhancement of adolescent literacy. This initiative is sponsored by Pearson, Alberta Education and the Alberta Regional Consortia.

iii) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items:

- September 16, 2010 attended Association of School Boards Officials (ASBOA) information session re: transportation



- Drumheller High School project update
- Acme Daycare update re: awarded bid to lowest bid tender to KT Construction Services

III NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

1. Policy 1, Board Governance Policy, Division Foundation Statements
2010-09-28-240

The Board of Trustees considered the background to Policy 1, Board Governance Policy as an addition to the policy.

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees approves the revised Board Governance Policy 1, Division Foundation Statements.

Carried

2. Policy 2, Board Governance Policy, Role of the Board
2010-09-28-241

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees approves Board Governance Policy 2, Role of the Board to remain in force.

Carried

3. Alberta School Boards Association Policy Positions

Policy position 5: Province-Wide Standards to Assess Competency of Bus Drivers submitted by Zone 5 to the Alberta School Boards Association Fall AGM was reviewed by Trustees.

4. Election

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on election day items, and advance poll as well as advertisements for the local newspapers.

Information Items

1. Provincial Approach to Student Information (PASI)

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Provincial Approach to Student Information (PASI) including the estimated costs of software, hardware and training.

BREAK

Recessed 2:35 p.m.

Reconvened 2:45 p.m.

2. Administrative Procedures

Superintendent McBeth presented information on changes to the following Administrative Procedures:

- AP100 School Division Three Year Educational Plan and Annual Education Results
- Combined former School Education Plans and AP 102 School Annual Education Results Report to revised AP101 School Three Year Education Plan and Annual



Education Results Report

- AP240 Virtual School Programs – deleted

3. Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the changes to the Alberta Infrastructure contract review threshold amount. The threshold amount has increased and is aligned with Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility Agreement (TILMA) amounts.

IV PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL REPORTS

1. Carseland School

Chair Kenworthy welcomed J. Grimsdale, Principal (Carseland School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked J. Grimsdale for the presentation.

2. Strathmore High School

Chair Kenworthy welcomed G. Reagan, Principal (Strathmore High School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked G. Reagan for the presentation.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2010-09-28-242

Moved by Trustee Kletke that the Board go *In Camera* at 3:45 p.m. to address a personnel matter.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2010-09-28-243

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 4:40 p.m.

Carried

Adjournment
2010-09-28-244

Moved by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

