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

March 22nd, 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 22, 2011

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

Dianne McBeth Superintendent
Ed Holt Associate Superintendent
Tahra Sabir Secretary-Treasurer

Brenda Scott Recording Secretary

Absent Kandace Jordan Deputy Superintendent

I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Price called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2011-03-22-377

Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:33 to address student and personnel matters.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2011-03-22-378

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 10:15 a.m.

Carried

BREAK

Recessed 10:16 a.m.
Reconvened 10:30 a.m.

Motions Arising from In Camera
Student Matter
2011-03-22-379

Moved by Trustee Tucker that the Board of Trustees convenes a Special Meeting on Monday, March 28, at 4:00 p.m. for a student discipline hearing.

Carried



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| 1. Opening Prayer | Trustee McKay offered the opening prayer. |
| 2. Approval of Agenda
2011-03-22-380 | Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda, as presented.
<div style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></div> |
| 3. Presentation of Minutes
1) The Regular Meeting of
March 8, 2011
2011-03-22-381 | Moved by Trustee Bolinger that the Board adopts the minutes of the March 8, 2011 meeting as presented.
<div style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></div> |

II REPORTS

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| 1. Board Chair | Chair Price reported on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 4, Capital Planning Committee Meeting• March 17, meeting with T. Gunderson, Alberta School Boards Association re: CEO search• March 23-25, Trochu Value Management Study• Invitation received to attend a meeting re: opportunity for a technical training centre in Linden• Email from J. Hansen, President, Alberta School Boards Association re: budget announcement |
| 2. Board Committees | Chair Price reported on the Capital Planning Committee Meeting, March 14, 2011. |
| 3. Division Administration | |
| i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools | Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alberta Education website re: Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AIS) section of the website has been re-designed for easier use• March 9, <i>Kits for Kids</i> fundraiser at Strathmore High School• April 7, meeting of the Board of Trustees for Golden Hills School Division and Rocky View School Division to discuss education planning processes• April 5, Council of Schools Councils meeting, re: agenda• Fraser Institute rankings discussion• Various newspaper articles |
| ii) E. Holt, Associate Superintendent Human Resources | Associate Superintendent Holt reported on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 15-17, attended Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) conference "<i>School Boards as Employers</i>"• Announced Kristin Odegard as the Golden Hills nominee for the Edwin Parr Award |



- Process for soliciting stakeholder input re: principal selection

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

- March 15-16, attended Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) conference "*School Boards as Employers*"
- Weather related bus route disruptions

III BUSINESS ARISING

Action Items

1. Capital Planning:
Consideration of Ten Year
Facilities Plan

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on facility changes since June 2004 when the Cripps/Tittermore Ten Year Long Range Facility Plan was developed and informed Trustees of Alberta Education's submission requirements on any changes since 2004.

Trustees requested further clarification related to recommendations made in Cripps/Tittermore Ten Year Long Range facility Plan.

2. Policy 7, *Board Operations*
2011-03-22-382

Moved by Trustee Bolinger that Policy 7, *Board Operations* be approved as amended at (1) Wards, 1.2 "The total number of trustees to be elected shall be six (6); two (2) from ward 4, and one (1) from each of wards one, two, three and five."

Carried

BREAK

Recessed 12:01 p.m.
Reconvened 1:00 p.m.

3. Alberta School Boards
Association (ASBA)
Resolutions

Superintendent McBeth presented the following policy proposals and directives that will be submitted to the Alberta School Boards Association Zone 5 meeting.

Policy Proposals:

1. **Proposed ASBA Resolution:** That ASBA develops a governance policy for the administration of funds to support boards with costs for legal action.
2. **Proposed ASBA Resolution:** That the ASBA supports trustee terms of more than the current three years.

Directives for Action:

1. In accordance with ASBA Policy Statement, Transportation 18-1, it is recommended that the ASBA urges the Provincial



Government to provide rebates to school boards for the fuel taxes collected on school bus operations.

2. In accordance with Policy Statement, Education Finance 6-1, it is recommended that the ASBA initiates a campaign to educate the public and elected officials about the importance of sustainable, predictable funding to support long-range planning by school boards.
3. In accordance with ASBA Policy Statement, Facilities (7-1), it is recommended that ASBA urges the Province of Alberta to develop mid-range (5 years) and long-range (10 years) capital project priorities. Further, that a task force be established to develop criteria and transparent processes for approval of new and/or modernization projects.

- Information Items
1. Request for meeting with MLA's re: budget and predictable funding

Superintendent McBeth informed Trustees of the progress to date and correspondence sent to arrange meetings with Hon. Jack Hayden, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Political Minister for Rural Alberta, (MLA Drumheller-Stettler), Mr. Richard Marz, MLA (Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills), and Mr. Arno Doerksen, MLA, for Strathmore-Brooks to present a rationale for longer-term, predictable, sustainable funding for school jurisdictions and the impact of Budget 2011/12 on the operations of Golden Hills School Division. Trustees discussed other possible topics to add to the discussion.

IV NEW BUSINESS

- Action Items
1. Per Student Allocation for Budget 2011/2012
2011-03-22-383

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board of Trustees approves the per student allocation for the 2011/2012 budget, subject to the Board being advised of any adjustments which may be necessary before the Budget is submitted to Alberta Education.

Carried

- Information Items
1. Enrolment Monitoring Report (February 28, 2011)
 2. Action on Curriculum: Standards and Process Redesign Project

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report, February 28, 2011. Superintendent McBeth presented information on Alberta Education's series of research roundtables to inform the *Action on Curriculum: Standards and Process Redesign Project*.



BREAK

Recessed 2:30 p.m.

Reconvened 2:55 p.m.

**V PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL
REPORTS**

1. Carbon School and Trochu Outreach
Chair Price welcomed S. Elliott, Principal who highlighted the school's Education Plan and the results achieved in Carbon School and Trochu Outreach. Chair Price thanked S. Elliott for the presentation.

Adjournment
2011-03-22-384

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 3:16 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

