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

January 12, 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, January 12, 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 of Schools
Kandace Jordan Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Tahra Sabir Secretary-Treasurer

Brenda Scott Recording Secretary

Absent Ed Holt Associate Superintendent of Schools

I CALL TO ORDER Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera* **Moved by Trustee Buyer** that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:33 a.m. to address personnel matters and board operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera* **Moved by Trustee Maerz** that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 10:58 a.m.

Carried

BREAK
Recessed 10:58 a.m.
Reconvened 11:10 a.m.

II CALL TO ORDER Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m.
REGULAR MEETING



1. Opening Prayer Trustee McKay opened the meeting with a prayer.

2. Approval of Agenda **Moved by Trustee Rangen** that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes **Moved by Trustee Harries** that the Board adopts the minutes of the December 8th, 2009 meeting as presented.

1) The Regular Meeting of December 8, 2009
2010-01-096

Carried

III REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Kenworthy reported on the following items:

- Letter from the Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education confirming lease funding
- Letter from the Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education commending Golden Hills for the results on the Accountability Pillar measures.
- Letter to Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education regarding Ministerial Order setting out the boundaries of the new wards and decreasing the number of trustees
- Invitation from M. Weber, Executive Director, and R. Zook, Covenant Health, to participate in a community consultation on health services February 2, 2010
- Letter from D. Eddleston, Chair, Buffalo Trail Public Schools, re: differential funding
- Invitation from S. Bourke, Communications Coordinator, Skills Canada, to attend the Provincial Competition Luncheon, May 12, 2010
- Canadian Association for the Practical Study of Law in Education (CAPSLE) Conference bulletin, April 25-27, 2010
- Calgary Educational Partnership Foundation (CEPF) Mayors' Excellence Award Gala, January 26, 2010
- Central Alberta Governance Circle minutes of October 22, 2009

2. Board Committees

- South Central Alberta Resource Centre (SCARC)

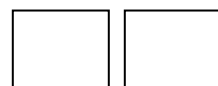
Trustee Rangen presented the written report and commented on the South Central Alberta Resource Centre meeting held November 3, 2009

3. Division Administration

i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- Appreciation to staff and students for the many



Christmas/Winter concerts

- Continued meetings with school administrators to review their school Education Plan and Annual Results on the Accountability Pillar measures
- Attendance at the Strathmore High School Breakfast of Champions
- Meeting with I. Gerling, Safety Officer and our division's Pandemic Response team
- Excel Training Workshop for support staff
- Letter from the Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education re: commendation for high achievement and/or significant improvement in several measures on the Accountability Pillar results
- Global Citizenship Symposium, May 6-8, 2010
- Alberta Education launched a new online management system for locally developed courses

ii) K. Jordan, Associate Superintendent

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Several schools were approved to substitute the May professional development day for a day in April to facilitate attendance at an assessment conference.

iii) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items:

- Bussing issues on January 7th due to inclement weather
- Awaiting approval from the Minister regarding the disposal of Pontmain School.

IV BUSINESS ARISING

Information Items

1. Monitoring Report on Technology Services (2008-09 Results and 2009-10 Plans)

Associate Superintendent Jordan commented on the monitoring report for Technology Services. B. Daverne, Division Principal presented a powerpoint on skills for 21st century learners and demonstrated use of Active Board technology.

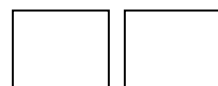
BREAK

Recess 12:40 p.m.

Reconvened 1:10 p.m.

2. School Sustainability Report

Superintendent McBeth provided information for trustees regarding the sustainability report.



V NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

- 1. Policy Review – Board Policy 2: Role of the Board re: field study/excursion approval process
2010-01-097

Superintendent McBeth provided information on Board Policy 2 – Role of the Board

Moved by Trustee Kletke that the Board amend Policy 2 at 9.9 Selected Responsibilities to read “Approve field studies and student excursions outside Canada”.

**Carried
One opposed**

Information Items

- 1. Monitoring Report on Special Education Associate Superintendent Jordan presented information on the Special Education Monitoring Report.
- 2. Monthly Enrolment Report (November 2009) Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the November 2009 monthly enrolment.
- 3. Monitoring Report on Instructional Services Associate Superintendent Jordan presented information on the Instructional Services Monitoring Report.
- 4. Three Hills Daycare Modulars Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the Three Hills childcare modulars.
- 5. Budget 2010-2011 Implications for GHSD #75 Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the 2010-2011 budget implications of differential funding for Golden Hills School Division.

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Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board send a letter to the Minister of Education indicating our preference that reductions to education funding be based on an overall percentage rather than to specific grants and that boards have maximum autonomy to make the local decisions regarding budgets.

Carried

BREAK

Recess 3:20 p.m.

Reconvened 3:25 p.m.

VI PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL REPORTS

- 1. Acme School Chair Kenworthy welcomed G. Semotiuk, Principal (Acme School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked G. Semotiuk for the presentation.



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2. Hutterite Education Chair Kenworthy welcomed B. Daverne, Division Principal (including Hutterite Schools) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the schools. Chair Kenworthy thanked B. Daverne for the presentation.

Adjournment
2010-01-099

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

