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

October 27th, 2009

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, October 27, 2009

Present

Ron Kenworthy	Chair
Joyce Bazant	Vice-Chair
Shirley Buyer	Trustee
Karen Harries	Trustee
Barry Kletke	Trustee (left the meeting at 3:50 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

I CALL TO ORDER

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

**II SWEARING IN
OF NEW TRUSTEE WARD 7**

Trustee Bob McKay was sworn in to office of Trustee, Golden Hills School Division #75

Motion to go *In Camera*
2009-10-27-047

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:03 a.m. to address Student, Personnel and/or Board Operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2009-10-27-048

Moved by Trustee Buyer that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 9:55 a.m.

Carried

BREAK
Recessed 9:55 a.m.
Reconvened 10:15 a.m.



III CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING

Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

1. Opening Prayer

Trustee Rangen opened the meeting with a prayer.

2. Approval of Agenda
2009-10-27-049

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

- IV Reports 3. Board Representatives to External Organizations: Add written report from B. Kletke regarding Alberta School Boards Association discussions on School Act meeting and written report from S. Buyer on the Public School Boards Association meeting

Carried

Board Evaluation
2009-10-27-050

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board accepts the Board self-evaluation completed October 2009.

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes
1) The Regular Meeting of
October 13, 2009.
2009-10-27-051

Moved by Trustee Buyer that the Board adopts the minutes of the October 13, 2009 meeting, as amended:

- Page 7 – change C. Cymbol to S. Cymbol
- Friendly amendment to motion 2009-10-13-044

Carried

IV REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Kenworthy reported on the following items:

- ASBA Public Engagement Workshop Registration November 16 or November 18 (videoconference format)
- Email #32 from H. Welwood, President, Alberta School Boards Association regarding participation in “Inspiring Education Provincial Forum”
- Call to Action for all boards from H. Welwood, President, Alberta School Boards Association regarding “Stop the Cuts” campaign
- ATA News Volume 44, No. 4, October 6, 2009 and No. 5, October 20, 2009
- National School Boards Association Annual Conference calendar
- Letter from Drumheller Chamber of Commerce regarding Director vacancy
- Board retreat November 12 evening and all day November 13 (Best Western Port O Call, Calgary)



3. Board Representatives to External Organizations

- a) Finance Committee Trustee Harries presented a report on the Committee's meeting with the auditor on October 15, 2009.
- b) Central Alberta Governance Circle Council Chair Kenworthy presented a report on the meeting of the Central Alberta Governance Council held October 22, 2009.
- c) Alberta School Boards Association Trustee Kletke presented a report on the Alberta School Boards Association meeting regarding the School Act held October 26, 2009.
- d) Public School Boards Association Trustee Buyer presented a report on the meeting of the Public School Boards Association held October 23-24, 2009.

4. Division Administration

- i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:
- Presented the trustee responses to the Alberta School Boards Association survey on its services to member boards
 - Received from Honorable D. Hancock, Minister of Education, the 2008-09 Annual Report in CD format and a pamphlet with report highlights
 - School playground zones and areas – notice of proposed change: 7:30 – 4:00 p.m. and national standards of signage and reduction of speeds when school is adjacent to provincial highways. This was an Alberta School Boards initiative.
 - Press release with Achievement results and linkage to report was prepared and sent to the media
 - Notice from the Deputy Minister that Alberta Education, representatives from First Nations and Government of Canada are reviewing adequacy of funding for federal first nations students
 - Survey online from Minister of Child and Youth Services re: child intervention services. The survey to be completed by November 30.
 - Attended, with the Board, a meeting with the Siksika Board of Education hosted at Blackfoot Crossing Historical site. Learned about Siksika Board's education plan.
 - Attended the Siksika Pow-Wow on October 16 celebrating student learning and achievement.



- Attended the Minister's "Inspiring Education" final consultation in Edmonton
 - Attended the ATA Accountability Committee meeting in Edmonton. The committee meets about four times a year. Learned about progress on the "Real Learning First" Initiative.
 - Attended new trustee orientation on Friday, October 23 and welcomed new trustee Bob McKay
- ii) K. Jordan, Associate Superintendent
- Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:
- Trochu Valley Awards Night, October 16
 - Changes in curriculum
 - Instructional Leadership and Assessment for Learning committees
 - Security Identification Systems Corporation (SISCO) training pilot project as Career and Technology Studies (CTS) initiative
 - Budget cuts on the forefront of concerns
- iii) E. Holt, Deputy Superintendent
- Deputy Superintendent Holt reported on the following items:
- H1N1 update and precautions
- iv) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items:
- By-election expense update
 - Update on the Drumheller Composite High School project
 - Dr. Elliott School new heating system
 - Wheatland School paving
 - Three Hills modulars for daycare delayed due to weather – open to daycare operators in the next couple of weeks
 - Request for a child care modular in Acme was not successful at this time

V BUSINESS ARISING

- Information Items
1. Monitoring Report on Transportation – Response to Questions Arising
 2. Monitoring Report on Enrolment – Response to Questions Arising
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided Trustees with responses to the questions that arose from the report given at the October 13th board meeting.
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided Trustees with responses to the questions that arose from the report given at the October 13th board meeting.



VI NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

1. Field Studies/Excursion Principal, I. Wright was in attendance to answer trustee questions.

2009-10-27-052

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board approves the request for Crowther Memorial Junior High School to participate in the field studies/excursion to Niagara Falls, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec City May 1-7, 2010.

Carried

Information Items

1. By-Election Results Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the by-election results.
2. Monitoring Report for AISI (2008-2009) Assistant Superintendent Jordan reviewed the monitoring report for Alberta Initiatives for School Improvement (AIS) projects 2008-09.

BREAK

Recess 2:30 p.m.

Reconvened 2:45 p.m.

3. Strategic Planning Process and Timelines Superintendent McBeth presented information on strategic planning processes.
4. Human Resources Services Annual Monitoring Report Deputy Superintendent Holt presented information on the Monitoring Report for Human Resources.

VII PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL REPORTS

1. Brentwood Chair Kenworthy welcomed L. Huntley Principal (Brentwood School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked L. Huntley for the presentation.
2. Westmount Chair Kenworthy welcomed W. Funk, Principal (Westmount School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked W. Funk for the presentation.



Adjournment
2009-10-27-053

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

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

