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

January 26th, 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 26, 2010.

Present Ron Kenworthy Chair
Joyce Bazant Vice-Chair
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
Ed Holt Associate 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 9:35 a.m.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2010-01-26-100

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:36 to address personnel matters and board operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2010-01-26-101

Moved by Trustee Rangen that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 10:48 a.m.

Carried

BREAK

Recessed 10:48 a.m.
Reconvened 11:03 a.m.

**II CALL TO ORDER
REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Kenworthy called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.



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| 1. Opening Prayer | Trustee Bazant opened the meeting with a prayer. |
| 2. Approval of Agenda
2010-01-26-102 | <p>Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda with the following addition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• IV New Business add 5: AP 300 School Entrance Age <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p> |
| 3. Presentation of Minutes
1) The Regular Meeting of January 12, 2010.
2010-01-26-103 | <p>Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board adopts the minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting, as amended.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Page 3 – V New Business 1. Remove “presented” <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p> |

III REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Kenworthy reported on the following items:

- Email from Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education, re: Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, January 25, 2010 amending the School Act s.71 to permit board attendance by video conference or teleconference
- Agenda for “Alberta Education Consultation and Information Regional Session”, March 4, 2010
- Copy of letter from P. Dittrick, President, Public School Boards Association sent to Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education, re: removal of elected board of Northland School District
- Public School Boards Association of Alberta media release January 21, 2010 re: removal of elected board of Northland School District
- Email from H. Welwood, President, Alberta School Boards Association re: removal of elected board of Northland School District
- January 12, 2010 Email from D. Anderson, Executive Director, Alberta School Boards Association re: resource package “Tips and Techniques for Public Engagement” available on ASBA website for board public engagement
- 2009 Alberta School Boards Association Trustee Remuneration Report
- Letter from A. Stewart, Chairperson, Three Hills Early Childhood Society inviting the Golden Hills Board to the Grand Opening of the Three Hills Child Care Centre, January 29, 2010
- Copies of correspondence sent January 18, 2010 to Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education re: the Board’s recommendations on possible reductions in education grants
- Copies of correspondence sent January 26, 2010 to all other Board Chairs summarizing the Board’s recommendations to Minister Hancock re: possible funding cuts



2. Board Committees

3. Board Representatives to External Organizations

- FNMI Student Success Committee, ASBA
Chair Kenworthy presented a report on Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) First Nations, Metis, Inuit (FNMI) Student Success Committee held January 13, 2010.
- Alberta School Boards Association Zone 5
Chair Kenworthy presented a report on the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 meeting held January 8, 2010.
- Alberta School Boards Association Zone 5
Trustee Bazant circulated the minutes of the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 meeting held December 4, 2009.

4. Division Administration

i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- Ads placed inviting public input to the transportation policy
- Ads placed regarding opportunity to nominate teachers for "Excellence in Teaching Awards"
- Participated in videoconference session with Dr. Ben Levin re: "Moving and Improving"
- Attended Trinity Lutheran Christian Academy School Council meeting
- Attended Greentree School's Olympic torch relay
- Review of the Golden Hills Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report
- Administrative Procedure 250 amended to align with Board changes to Policy 2, Role of the Board, at 9.9 re: field studies/student excursions
- School Act s71 amendment of November 26, 2009 permits trustee attendance at meetings vis video and teleconference

ii) K. Jordan, Associate Superintendent

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Improvements to Career and Technology Studies and appreciation to S. Elliott, Principal of Trochu Outreach for her assistance
- Early Development Mapping Inventory and appreciation to A. Morgan, Principal of Greentree for her assistance

iii) E. Holt, Deputy Superintendent

Deputy Superintendent Holt reported on the following items:

- The locally developed courses Paleontology 15, 25, and 35 (in process) are available to all Alberta students
- Golden Hills is exploring virtual delivery of English as a Second Language (ESL) programs with Northstar Academy



- Attended Alberta Education's International Education committee along with D. McBeth. Golden Hills School Division is exploring the opportunity to engage a teacher from China to teach Mandarin and cultural classes. The visiting teacher program is sponsored by the Government of China and Alberta Education.

BREAK**Recessed 12:05 p.m.****Reconvened 1:08 p.m.**

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

- Drumheller Composite High School project re: kitchen
- Pontmain property disposal – will proceed following approval from the Minister

IV BUSINESS ARISING

Action Items

1. Public School Boards Association of Alberta – Membership
2010-01-26-104
- Superintendent McBeth provided information for Trustee input and consideration.
- Moved by Trustee McKay** that the Board of Trustees responds to the Public School Boards Association of Alberta (PSBAA). The Board's decision is to withdraw from membership (Board motion 2009-05-26-1223).

Carried**V NEW BUSINESS**

Action Items

1. First Quarter Financial Report for September 2009 – November 2009
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the First Quarter Financial report for September 2009-November 2009.
2. Monthly Enrolment Report (December 2009)
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the December 2009 monthly enrolment.
3. Review of Budgeting Principles
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided information on the Board's Budgeting Principles.

BREAK**Recessed 2:55 p.m.****Reconvened 3:05 p.m.**

4. Preliminary Capital Plan
- Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reviewed the current Capital Plan priorities in the 2009-10/2011-12 Education Plan.



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5. Administrative Procedure: Associate Superintendent Jordan updated the Board on the changes to AP 300 School Entrance Age and 210 Kindergarten. The revised procedures were combined into AP 300 School Entrance Age. AP210 was eliminated.

Adjournment
2010-01-26-105

Moved by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees adjourn the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Carried

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

