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

April 13th, 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, April 13, 2010

Present Ron Kenworthy Chair
Joyce Bazant Vice-Chair
Shirley Buyer Trustee
Karen Harries Trustee
Barry Kletke Trustee (left the meeting at 12:00 noon)
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.

Motion to go *In Camera*
2010-04-13-157

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board go *In Camera* at 9:31 a.m. to address board operations.

Carried

Motion to *Rise from In Camera*
2010-04-13-158

Moved by Trustee Maerz that the Board *Rise from In Camera* at 10:32 a.m.

Carried

BREAK

Recessed 10:33 a.m.
Reconvened 10:40 a.m.

1. Opening Prayer

Trustee Kletke offered the opening prayer.



2. Approval of Agenda
2010-04-13-159

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. Presentation of Minutes
1) The Regular Meeting of
March 23, 2010
2010-04-13-160

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board adopts the minutes of the March 23, 2010 meeting as amended:
Page 3: 4. Division Administration 1) bullet 8 "Invitation from N. Campbell, Superintendent, Calgary Board of Education *to attend session with Dr. Elmore*
Page 4: Motion 2010-03-23-151 add after school "*and in all other such descriptors*".

Carried

II REPORTS

1. Board Chair

Chair Kenworthy reported on the following items:

- Attendance at Prairie Christian Academy Society Board meeting, March 17, 2010
- Minutes of the March 11, 2010 Central Alberta Governance Circle
- March 30, 2010 email from D. Anderson, Executive Director, Alberta School Boards Association re: Call to Action and Draft letter to the Honorable D. Hancock, Q.C., Minister of Education from J. Hansen, Vice President, Alberta School Boards Association re: the Government's 2007 written commitment to fund salary increases
- March 31, 2010 letter from D. Anderson, Executive Director, Alberta School Boards Association re: ASBA Issues, Budget and Bylaws bulletin
- April 1, 2010 email from K. Hoppins, President, Friends of TroVal sharing their thoughts on planning for cooperative efforts with Golden Hills in the design and construction of the modernization of Trochu Valley School
- Copy of letter to P. Nigh, Prairie Christian Academy Society Chair, re: meeting of March 17 to discuss the Prairie Christian Academy facility
- Letter to G. and K. Gregory, April 1, 2010 in appreciation for the offer of land for a school site in East Wheatland
- Letter from W. Golbeck, District Manager, Atco Electric regarding the 2010 Premier's Prayer Breakfast, April 28
- Letter from M. Lambe, Alberta Education Services Manager, Zone 5, commending the Division for its Three Year Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report
- Invitation from W. Golbeck, Chairman, Badlands Association, re: 2010 Passion Play Golf Tournament, June 11, 2010
- Various newspaper articles



Premier's Prayer Breakfast
2010-04-13-161

Moved by Trustee Kletke that Chair Kenworthy attend on behalf of the Board, the Premier's Prayer Breakfast, April 28th in Edmonton.

Carried

Request for a Meeting
2010-04-13-162

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board request a meeting with Honorable Jack Hayden, Mr. Arno Doerksen and Mr. Richard Marz, MLA's, re: Board intends to pass a balanced budget, government's position on the AWEEI funding for the collective agreement and other pressing matters.

Carried

2. Division Administration

i) D. McBeth, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent McBeth reported on the following items:

- Dinner meeting with Board and the local executive of the Alberta Teachers' Association to discuss Professional Development and Human Resources issues
- County public hearing record and minutes
- Facilitator training session for Speak Out participants (24 students), March 30 in Carbon
- Tour of Drumheller construction project
- Meeting notes from ASBA Board Chairs meeting, March 22
- Director's Report Zone 5 and implications of implementing PASI
- Budget planning and looking at some of the implications of the shortfall resulting from static grants and increased costs
- Various newspaper articles

ii) K. Jordan, Associate Superintendent

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported on the following items:

- Changes in grades 3, 6 and 9 achievement tests re: written components
- Reaching and Teaching, April 22 and 23, 2010

iii) E. Holt, Deputy Superintendent

Deputy Superintendent Holt reported on the following items:

- AESBP coverage changes re: travel outside of country

iv) T. Sabir, Secretary-Treasurer

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir reported on the following items:

- Drumheller Composite High School project

III BUSINESS ARISING

1. Information Items Calgary Educational

Superintendent McBeth provided information to the Trustees on



Partnership Foundation

the Calgary Educational Partnership Foundation initiatives and costs to Golden Hills associated with membership.

IV NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

1. Municipal Reserve for School Site re: Bylaw Amendments and County Council decision

Superintendent McBeth provided information to the Trustees on the Municipal Reserve for School Site Bylaw Amendment and County Council decision.

2010-04-13-163

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees requests a meeting with the Wheatland County Council to seek clarification as to why the Golden Hills School Division land redesignation application was rejected.

Trustee McKay requested a recorded vote.

For: Trustees Bazant, Harries, Kletke, Maerz, Rangen

Opposed: Trustee McKay

BREAK

Recessed 12:05 p.m.

Reconvened 1:03 p.m.

2. School Board Planning and Reporting Requirements

2010-04-13-164

Moved by Trustee Buyer that the Board of Trustees approves the reduced and streamlined planning and reporting requirements so the Three Year Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report become a single document due November 30, 2010 but that a draft plan, based on the pre-populated template and the Board's review of jurisdictional goals and priorities, is in place by the start of the new school year.

Carried

3. Minister's Announcement on AAWEI Funding 2009-2010

2010-04-13-165

Moved by Trustee McKay that the Board of Trustees allocates the increase in grant money of 1.17% pursuant to the AAWEI recalculation, as per the Minister's memo of March 22, 2010 to the instructional envelope as a contingency to address variances.

Carried

4. Implications of Enrolment Decline and Budget 2010-2011 – Consideration of Program Consolidations

2010-04-13-166

Moved by Trustee Harries that the Board of Trustees meets



individually and confidentially with parents of the grades 9, 10 and 11 students in Carbon (next year's high school group) for discussion on the enrolment challenges and also invites the School Council of Carbon to provide input on the long term sustainability of the high school program.

Carried

2010-04-13-167

Moved by Trustee Bazant that the Board of Trustees meets individually and confidentially with the parents of grades 6 and 7 students (next year's junior high group) in Hussar for discussion on the enrolment challenges and also invites the School Council of Hussar to provide input on the long term sustainability of the junior high grades 7 and 8.

Carried

2010-04-13-168

Moved by Trustee Rangen that the Chair, Vice-Chair and local Trustee along with Administration attend the interviews in Carbon and Hussar regarding the long term sustainability of current programs.

Carried

1. Information Items
Edwin Parr Nomination

Associate Superintendent Jordan reported that Monica Samuel, Teacher (Greentree School) has been nominated for the Edwin Parr award. Also mentioned, Dean Nielsen, Teacher (Carbon School). Congratulations to two outstanding candidates.

2. Career and Technology
Studies (CTS) Legacy

Associate Superintendent Jordan provided an update on the equipment received at the various schools.

3. Quarterly Financial Report

Secretary-Treasurer Sabir provided Trustees with the Second Quarterly Financial Report.

4. Speak Out: Facilitators
Training

Superintendent McBeth updated Trustees on the Speak Out forum to be held in Carbon on April 16, 2010.

BREAK

Recessed 1:50 p.m.

Reconvened 2:30 p.m.

**V PRESENTATIONS/SCHOOL
REPORTS**

1. Northstar Academy

Chair Kenworthy welcomed K. Brown, Principal (Northstar Academy) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked



K. Brown for the presentation.

BREAK

Recessed 2:45 p.m.

Reconvened 2:58 p.m.

2. Standard School

Chair Kenworthy welcomed K. Smith, Principal (Standard School) who highlighted the Education Plan and the results achieved by the school. Chair Kenworthy thanked K. Smith for the presentation.

BREAK

Recessed 3:20 p.m.

Reconvened 3:30 p.m.

VI DELEGATION

Hussar School Council

Chair Kenworthy welcomed C. Sandum, spokesperson for the Hussar School Council. The Chair informed C. Sandum that a decision, if requested, will be made at the next regular meeting and thereafter communicated in writing to the spokesperson.

C. Sandum expressed the Council's concern over the Wheatland County land use bylaw decision and suggested that two schools (Hussar and Rockyford) be reconfigured for K-9 for all East Wheatland students. Further, C. Sandum suggested a consolidated 10-12 for the area. (Clarification from C. Sandum: "We are still completely behing the stand alone K-12, that my suggestion was for interim solution only and that, in that solution, we would like to see the 10-12 students bussed to Strathmore and Drumheller, only for the interim.")

Adjournment
2010-04-13-169

Moved by Trustee Rangen that the Board of Trustees adjourns the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

Carried



Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

