

**DATE:** April 10, 2012

**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Trustee Michael Janz, Conference Committee Chair

**SUBJECT:** Report #8 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held April 3, 2012)

**ORIGINATOR:** Tash Taylor, Director Executive and Board Relations

**REFERENCE:** [Terms of Reference re In-Camera Sessions Committee of the Whole – Conference](#)  
[School Act](#) Section 61

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**ISSUE**

Recommendations arising from the Conference Committee meeting held April 3, 2012 are being presented for final approval as per the terms of reference for Conference Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. **That Report #8 of the Conference Committee from the meeting held April 3, 2012 be received and considered.**

**Motion re Allocation from Board Initiatives Fund**

2. **That the Board approve the allocation of up to \$7,000 from the Board Initiatives Fund for the acquisition of an outside consultant to facilitate a stakeholder mapping process.**

**Recommended Spokespersons – Teacher Negotiations**

3. **That David Fraser and Darrel Robertson be approved as co-spokespersons for negotiations with the Alberta Teachers’ Association (Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37).**

**Proposed Objectives – Teacher Negotiations**

4. **That the Board’s negotiating committee be authorized to sign a new collective agreement following Board ratification.**
5. **That the following objectives for the collective bargaining agreement between the District and Alberta Teachers’ Association (Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37) be approved:**
  - **To achieve a revised collective agreement in collective bargaining that:**
    - **continues to enable the District to recruit and retain the quality and nature of teachers needed to provide quality learning experiences to achieve students’ success;**
    - **ensures and enables that the costs of the collective agreement remain within the existing, projected and actual future financial circumstances of the District;**

- enables efficient and effective operations consistent with the legislated mandate, priorities, goals and financial circumstances of the District;
  - has a length of term consistent with the above.
- **To achieve the revision of the collective agreement with no work stoppage.**

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