



**Summary of Board Meeting #11
Tuesday, April 12, 2005**

A. **O Canada** – District Video.

B. **Roll Call:** (6:00 p.m.) - All trustees were present.

C. **Communications from the Board Chairman**

Maureen Kubinec, President of the Alberta School Boards Association, presented a plaque to the board in recognition of Trustee Don Fleming's service as the board's representative on the ASBA Board of Directors.

D. **Communications from the Superintendent of Schools** – None.

E. **Minutes:**

1. Board Meeting #10 – March 22, 2005 - Approved as printed.

F. **Focus on Student Achievement**

2. Satoo School – Focus on Reading Comprehension

Received for information.

G. **Reports:**

3. Report #7 of the Conference Committee (From the Meetings Held March 22, 2005 and April 5, 2005)

Approved recommendations re:

- Principal designations
- Appointment of Principal Banker
- Amendment to policy on parent and community involvement.

4. Motion re Postponing Consideration of School Closures

The motion was ruled as being out of order because it is in effect a motion to reconsider the board's decisions to embark on the school closure processes for four schools. Action has already been taken on the board's decisions and a motion to postpone the vote on school closure to a time indefinite would in effect nullify the school closure processes for this school year –as the school closure process must be completed in the same school year as it is begun.

5. 2005-2006 Proposed Planning Base

Approved recommendation.

6. Proposed Issues for the 2005 ASBA Fall General Meeting

Approved recommendation.

7. Trustee Initiatives

a) Received for information.

b) Trustee Nicholson noted that the intent of his initiative was to create an offsetting account for the surpluses held in schools.

8. Response to Presentation by Exempt Staff

Received for information.

9. Response to Trustee Request for Information

Received for information.

H. Committee and Board Representative Reports – None.

- **Community Relations Activities** – None.

I. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives

Ms Redhead, President Public Teachers, noted that her term as president will end June 30, 2005. She then introduced Mark Ramsankar, a teacher at Harry Ainlay, who will serve as the new president of Edmonton Public Teachers commencing on July 1, 2005.

J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Colburn requested that a report be provided regarding the number of librarians, physical education teachers and counsellors employed by Edmonton Public Schools in 1990, 1996 and 2004. He asked the report also include the number of students in schools in each of those years.

K. Notices of Motion – None.

L. Next Meeting Date: April 26, 2005 – 6:00 p.m. - Board

M. Duration of Meeting: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.