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- Board Meeting #7 -

Minutes of the board meeting of the trustees of the Edmonton School District No. 7 of the Province of Alberta held in McCauley Chambers in the Centre for Education on Tuesday, February 8, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

David Colburn
Bev Esslinger
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault
Ken Gibson
Svend Hansen

Wendy Keiver
George Nicholson
Don Williams

Officials

Edgar Schmidt
Bob Holt
Donna Barrett
Ron MacNeil
Corinne McCabe

Ronda Borchert
Linda Craig
Les Duxbury
Tony Fernhout

Darren Fox
Heather Raymond
Lloyd Ungeran

Chairman: Svend Hansen

Secretary: Anne Sherwood

Recording Secretary: Manon Fraser

Employee Representatives:

CUPE Local 474: Doug Luellman
CUPE Local 3550: Trudy Grebenstein

A. O Canada – District Video

B. Roll Call: (6:00 p.m.)

Mrs. Sherwood reported that all trustees were present.

C. Communications from the Board Chairman

The chairman noted that the superintendent's wife, Janice McBeath, had passed away unexpectedly last week. He thanked the administration for all the support that has been provided to the superintendent. He noted that the presence of so many current and former staff at the memorial service speaks to the quality of the people in the district and

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to our sense of community. He also, on behalf of the board, acknowledged the support provided to the board by the senior staff who are acting on behalf of the superintendent in his absence.

D. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Holt, acting superintendent of schools, noted the appointment of Mr. Keray Henke as Deputy Minister of Education. Mr. Henke previously served as Assistant Deputy Minister of Strategy and Support Services at Alberta Children's Services.

E. Minutes:

1. Board Meeting #6 – January 25, 2005

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #6 held January 25, 2005 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

F. Focus on Student Achievement:

2. Grandview Heights School – Focus on Higher Level Thinking Skills

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the report entitled ‘Grandview Heights School – Focus on Higher Level Thinking Skills’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Reports:

3. Report #4 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held February 1, 2005)

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“1. That Report #5 of the Conference Committee from the meeting held February 1, 2005 be received and considered.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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Trustee Nicholson absented himself from the meeting for the next item.

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

- “2. That the Memorandum of Agreement for a two-year collective agreement with CUPE Local 3550 from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2006 be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Nicholson was absent for this vote.

Trustee Nicholson returned at this point in the meeting.

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

- “3. That the Memorandum of Agreement for a two-year collective agreement with CUPE Local 474 from September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2006 be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

- “4. That the appointment of KPMG LLP, Chartered Accountants, as auditors of the Edmonton School District No. 7 for the fiscal year September 1, 2004 to August 31, 2005 be approved.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

4. District Priorities 2005-2008

MOVED BY Trustee Gibson:

- “That the *District Priorities 2005-2008* as amended be approved.”**

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

5. Process and Timeline for Three-Year Planning

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

- “That the process and timeline for review of 2005-2008 plans and review of the 2005-2006 operating budget be approved.”**

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

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6. Disposition of Archives and Museum Special Development Fund/Term Deposit

MOVED BY Trustee Williams:

“That the remainder of the Archives Special Development Fund (\$162,140) be utilized to complete the Archives and Museum’s Automation Project.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

7. Capital Plan – New Schools Preliminary Planning and Schematic Design

MOVED BY Trustee Gibson:

“That the report entitled ‘Capital Plan – New Schools Preliminary Planning and Schematic Design’ be received for information.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

8. Programming for Academically Gifted Students

MOVED BY Trustee Gibson:

“That the report entitled ‘Programming for Academically Gifted Students’ be received for information.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

9. Bereavement

The vice-chairman reported on the passing of Former Trustee James Falconer.

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the report be received with regret and the actions of the administration in this regard be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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Bereavement

The vice-chairman reported on the passing of Mrs. Janice McBeath, the superintendent's wife.

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the report be received with regret and the actions of the administration in this regard be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

- H. Committee and Board Representative Reports – None.**
 - Community Relations Activities – None.
- I. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives – None.**
- J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information – None.**
- K. Notices of Motion – None.**
- L. Meeting Dates:**

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, February 22, 2005	Public Board	6:00 p.m.

M. Adjournment: (7:15 p.m.)

The chairman adjourned the meeting.

Board Chairman

Secretary