

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

February 23, 2010

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee S. Huff, Acting Conference Committee Chair

SUBJECT: Report #8 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held February 16, 2010)

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Report #8 of the Conference Committee from the meeting held February 16, 2010 be received and considered.
2. That the fundraising priority for the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation to provide support for early intervention and student success be approved.

* * * * *

The Foundation Board of Governors is aware that recommendations for expenditure of Foundation funds must be approved by the Board of Trustees, but in response to requests from potential donors for information about how the funds will be used, they realized that there was a need to identify a priority for the fundraising.

Recognizing that its fundraising priority must be aligned with the District Priorities developed by the Board of Trustees and support the work of teaching and learning that occurs in District schools, the Board of Governors for the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation met on January 25, 2010.

The Board of Governors recommends it focus its fundraising efforts on early intervention and student success. The members of the Board of Governors feel strongly that the fundraising priority for the Foundation must provide support for those students who are identified as the District's most vulnerable and be broad enough in scope so that it can support existing research-based District initiatives, such as offering full-day kindergarten and early learning opportunities.

AS:mmf