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- Board Meeting #7 -

Minutes of a 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 10, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:**

**Trustees**

Bill Bonko  
Bob Dean  
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault  
Ray Martin

Lynn Odynski  
Jean Woodrow

**Officials**

Angus McBeath  
Bob Holt  
Donna Barrett  
Corinne McCabe  
Ron MacNeil

Ted Biggs  
Charlotte Corothers  
Joan Gibson  
Maureen MacDonald

Scott Millar  
Lorne Parker  
Ros Smith

Chairman: B. Bonko

Board Secretary: A. Sherwood

Recording Secretary: M. Fraser

Employee Representatives:

Edmonton Public Teachers: K. Beaton  
CUPE Local 3550: T. Grebenstein  
CUPE Local 474: D. Luellman

A. **O Canada** – *District Video*

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

Mrs. Sherwood advised that Trustees Hansen and Nicholson were absent. All other trustees were present.

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**C. Communications from the Board Chairman**

Trustee Bonko, Acting Board Chairman, provided a reminder that February 9 to 15, 2004 is officially Random Acts of Kindness Week. The board has endorsed and recognized Random Acts of Kindness Week since 1996. The board encourages everyone to recognize and participate in Random Acts of Kindness Week whether it be to help a needy friend or anonymously shovel a neighbour's sidewalk. Hopefully kindness is something that is practiced throughout the year.

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

**E. Minutes:**

1. Board Meeting #6 – January 27, 2004

**MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:**

**“That the minutes of Board Meeting #6 held January 27, 2004 be approved as printed.”**

**The chairman called the question.**

**The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

**F. Focus on Student Achievement:**

2. Centre High Campus: 100% Success! One Student At A Time

**MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Centre High Campus: 100% Success! One Student At A Time’ be received for information.”**

**The chairman called the question.**

**The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

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**G. Reports:**

3. Lease Revenue Distribution

**MOVED BY Trustee Odynski:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Lease Revenue Distribution’ be received for information.”**

Trustee Fleming requested that information be provided regarding the impact of establishing a rate of \$1.50 per square meter per month for custodial services on community requests for space.

**The chairman called the question.**

**The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

4. Response to Trustee Request for Information

**MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Response to Trustee Request for Information’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

5. Appointment of External Auditor

**MOVED BY Trustee Martin:**

**“That the appointment of KPMG LLP, Chartered Accountants, as auditors of the Edmonton School District No. 7 for the fiscal year September 1, 2003 to August 31, 2004, be approved.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

6. Funding for Revitalization of Queen Elizabeth School

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**“That, subject to the approval of the Minister of Infrastructure, the use of \$360,000 from the Deferred Capital Allocation Account to finance the capital modifications at Queen Elizabeth School, be approved.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The board took a break at this point.

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7. Programming for Intellectually Gifted Students

**MOVED BY Trustee Dean:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Programming for Intellectually Gifted Students’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

8. Annual Program Distribution Report for Alternative, District Sites for Special Needs Programs and Other Programs

**MOVED BY Trustee Martin:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Annual Program Distribution Report for Alternative, District Sites for Special Needs Programs and Other Programs’ be received for information.”**

Trustee Woodrow requested, when the report on music enrichment comes to board, that it include information on the enrolment history of the program as well as sites where it is being offered.

**The chairman called the question.**

**The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

9. Victoria School Revitalization Status Report

**MOVED BY Trustee Martin:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Victoria School Revitalization Status Report’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

10. Response to Presentations by Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37, CUPE Local 3550, CUPE Local 474, CUPE Local 784 and Exempt Staff

**MOVED BY Trustee Martin:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Response to Presentations by Edmonton Public Teachers Local 37, CUPE Local 3550, CUPE Local 474, CUPE Local 784 and Exempt Staff’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

11. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

**MOVED BY Trustee Odynski:**

**“That the report entitled ‘Responses to Trustee Requests for Information’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

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### 12. Bereavement

Trustee Bonko reported on the death of Former Trustee John D. Bracco.

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**“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** **•Community Relations Activities**

Trustee Woodrow advised that she had attended the AISI Conference organized by Alberta Learning on January 29 and 30, 2004.

Trustee Woodrow advised that she had attended the school council meeting at Lymburn School last night. MLA Mark Norris was also in attendance.

Trustee Odynski advised that she had attended the dedication ceremony for the newly renovated campus at Edmonton Christian School on January 29, 2004. She commended the stained glass at the front entrance of the school produced by the Grade 12 Art students.

**MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:**

**“That the meeting be extended to complete the agenda.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Odynski advised that she had attended the production of *Talking to Trees: A Portrait of Emily Carr* at the Edmonton Art Gallery Theatre. She commended the production for both its emphasis on art and character education and suggested that it would be an appropriate enrichment activity for students.

#### **I. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives – None.**

#### **J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information**

Trustee Odynski requested that a report be provided regarding the impact on students, teachers and schools as a result of having to write the diploma exams in two parts.

Trustee Odynski requested information on the implications for the district regarding the Supreme Court decision with respect to Section 43 of the *Criminal Code*.

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**K. Notices of Motion** – None.

**L. Next Meeting:**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MEETING</b>	<b>COMMENCEMENT TIME</b>
Tuesday, February 24, 2004	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

**M. Adjournment:** (9:05 p.m.)

**The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.**

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**Chairman**

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**Board Secretary**