



**Summary of Board Meeting #8  
Tuesday, February 25, 2003**

- A. **O Canada** – District Video.
- B. **Roll Call:** (6:00 p.m.) - All trustees were present.
- C. **Communications from the Board Chairman** – None.
- D. **Communications from the Superintendent of Schools** – None.
- E. **Minutes:**
  - 1. **Board Meeting #7 – February 11, 2003**
    - a) Approved as printed.
    - b) Trustee Nicholson referred to page 7 of the minutes with respect to the establishment of the 2003-2004 budget planning base and asked that, in future reports, the figures be displayed with an indication of what expenditures can be changed and those that are fixed.

The superintendent confirmed that this will be done.
- F. **Focus on Student Achievement**
  - 2. **Weinlos School’s Instructional Focus: Narrative Writing**

Received for information.
- G. **Reports:**
  - 3. **Ukrainian Bilingual Alternative Program: Name and Focus Change**

Approved recommendation.

4. Tenders - Winterburn School Four Classroom Pod Addition

Approved recommendation.

5. Focus on Supporting Teaching and Learning – District Interim Measure

Received for information.

6. School Year Calendar

a) Received for information.

b) Trustee Martin strongly urged the administration to assist principals in communicating the rationale of the change to the school year calendar.

7. Leasing Summary for 2002-2003

a) Received for information.

b) Trustee Nicholson requested that the appendices be provided to trustees with an indication of which leases negatively affect the district's utilization rate.

c) Trustee Hansen requested that information be provided regarding whether City Council approval was required for the lease of the Fulton Place annex.

8. District Lease Rate Review Status Report

a) Received for information.

b) Mr. Doug Luellman, President CUPE Local 474, provided the board secretary with a copy of the results of a survey conducted by the Local for the administration's analysis.

9. Additional Trustee Initiatives for 2003-2004

a) Received for information.

b) Trustee Gibeault referred to initiative #5 and suggested that the administration review ward boundaries for the 2004 election or the following one.

10. Response to Trustee Request for Information

Received for information.

**H. Committee and Board Representative Reports**

• **Community Relations Activities**

1. Trustee Hansen advised that he had attended the first annual tri-school Nellie McClung conference (550 students attended). He commended Trustee Odynski for filling in on short notice for Lieutenant Governor Lois Hole at this event.
2. Trustee Dean advised that he had brought greetings on behalf of the board to the Citizenship Ceremony at York School last week.

**I. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives**

Mr. Luellman requested that Local 474 be given an opportunity to make a presentation at the March 11, 2003 board meeting with respect to P3s.

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

1. Trustee Martin requested that the administration examine whether or not the district should be responding to the Fraser Institute Report's surveys.
2. Trustee Odynski requested that information be provided regarding how the district ensures consistency for alternative programs offered at different campuses and when the program expands from elementary to junior high school.
3. Trustee Odynski requested information be provided regarding the steps the district is taking to clarify how school councils can communicate to parents.
4. Trustee Fleming requested that information be provided regarding whether schools are reducing community access due to funding and how this might affect the Joint Use Agreement.

**K. Notices of Motion**

Trustee Bonko served notice of the following motion:

*That all trustee initiatives for the 2003-2004 budget be submitted to conference committee for approval prior to being given to the administration for consideration in the budget plans.*

**L. Next Meeting Date: March 11, 2003 – 6:00 p.m. - Board**

**M. Duration of Meeting: 6:00 p.m. to 8:55 p.m.**