



**Summary of Board Meeting #5
Tuesday, January 15, 2002**

- 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 #4 – December 11, 2001 - Approved as printed.
- F. **Focus on Student Achievement**
2. Virginia Park Artist/Writer’s Workshop Project - Received for information.
- G. **Recognition:**
3. “An Act to Follow” Staff Recognition Program - Received for information.
- H. **Reports:**
4. Curriculum Additions - Approved recommendation.
 5. Presentations on the Proposed 2002-2003 Planning and Operating Budget:
 - CUPE Local 474 (Custodial Staff)
 - CUPE Local 3550 (Support Staff)
 - Exempt Staff Liaison Committee
 - Edmonton Public TeachersReceived verbal presentations for information.
 6. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information - Received for information.

I. Committee and Board Representative Reports

• **Community Relations Activities**

Trustee Martin reported that he had attended the official launch of the Centre of Excellence for Child and Youth Centred Prairie Communities that is funded by the federal government and sponsored by the Edmonton Social Planning Council. The purpose of the Centre is to do research in the prairie cities dealing with poverty, specifically with respect to the Aboriginal population. He noted that guest speaker was Sandra Chalifoux. Ms Chalifoux advised that Edmonton has by the far the fastest-growing Aboriginal population in Canada.

J. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives – None.

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Martin referred to the recent Canadian School Boards Association bulletin that mentions its policy initiative regarding poverty. He asked that information be provided to the board regarding whether the administration has studied the poverty intervention pilot profiles alluded to and, if so, if there is any relevance to Edmonton Public Schools with respect to some these projects.

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Meeting Dates:

Date	Time	Meeting Type
Tuesday, January 29, 2002	6:00 p.m.	Board

N. Duration of Meeting: 6:00 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.