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- Board Meeting #5 -

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, January 15, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

Bill Bonko
Bob Dean
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault
Svend Hansen
Ray Martin

George Nicholson
Lynn Odynski
Jean Woodrow

Officials

Angus McBeath
Donna Barrett
Ken Dropko
Marion de Man
Gary Reynolds

Bruce Coggles
Pam Hall
Susan Laudenklos
Ron MacNeil

Dennis Melnyk
Maureen Stratton Lemieux
Carol Wolanski

Board Chairman: D. Fleming

Acting Board Secretary: K. Dropko

Recording Secretary: M. Fraser

Employee Representatives:

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

A. O Canada - District video.

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

Mr. Dropko advised that all trustees were present.

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- C. **Communications from the Board Chairman** – None.
- D. **Communications from the Superintendent of Schools** – None.
- E. **Minutes:**
1. Board Meeting #4 – December 11, 2001

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #4 held December 11, 2001 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. **Recognition:**

3. “An Act to Follow” Staff Recognition Program

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the report entitled ‘*An Act to Follow* Staff Recognition Program’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

F. **Focus on Student Achievement:**

2. Virginia Park Artist/Writer’s Workshop Project

MOVED BY Trustee Martin:

“That the report entitled ‘Virginia Park Artist/Writer’s Workshop Project’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

H. **Reports:**

4. Curriculum Additions

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

- “1. That the locally developed course *Math 35 – Calculus BC (Advanced Placement)* be approved for use in Edmonton Public Schools.
2. That the locally developed course *Drill and Parade 35* be revised to be offered for 3 or 5 credits.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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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 Teachers

The chairman advised that CUPE Local 784 (maintenance staff) would make their presentation at the January 29, 2002 board meeting. He also advised that a report regarding responses to employee groups will be prepared for the February 12, 2002 board meeting. The presentations and responses will be disseminated to school principals and decision unit administrators for consideration in the development of their plans for the 2002-2003 school year.

Mr. Doug Luellman, president CUPE Local 474 (custodial staff), verbally presented the Local's brief.

Ms Trudy Grebenstein, president CUPE Local 3550 (support staff), verbally presented the Local's brief.

Ms Catherine Luck, representative Exempt Staff Liaison Committee, verbally presented the Committee's brief.

Ms Karen Beaton, president Edmonton Public Teachers, verbally presented the teachers' brief.

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the verbal presentations from the president CUPE Local 474, the president CUPE Local 3550, the representative of the Exempt Staff Liaison Committee and the president Edmonton Public Teachers be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

Trustees were provided with a copy of the four staff group briefs.

6. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

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

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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 which 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 Sandra Chalifoux advised that Edmonton has by 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 of these projects.

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Meeting Dates:

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, January 29, 2002	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

N. Adjournment: (7:50 p.m.)

The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Acting Board Secretary