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**- Organizational Meeting -**

Minutes of the organizational 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, October 24, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:**

**Trustees**

Bill Bonko  
Carol Anne Dean  
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault  
Svend Hansen  
Janice Melnychuk

George Nicholson  
Terry Sulyma  
Don Williams

**Officials**

Emery Dosedall  
Ken Dropko  
Shirley Stiles  
Angus McBeath  
Gary Reynolds

Lorraine Boggs  
Bev Crossman  
Philip Grehan  
Ken Marshall  
Ellen Ogilvy  
Bonnie Zack

Del Bouck  
Laurie Elkow  
Mack Fysh  
Stephen Lynch  
Les McElwain  
Lesley Sonnen

Edmonton Public Teachers – P. McNab  
CUPE Local 3550 – T. Grebenstein

**Chairman:** G. Nicholson (pro tem)

**Secretary:** A. Sherwood

**A. O Canada**

The district's O Canada video was shown.

**B. Call to Order by the Chairman: (7:30 p.m.)**

Mrs. Sherwood reported that all trustees were present.

**C. Communications from the Board Chairman – None.**

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

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**E. Reports:**

**Confirmation of Committees, Board Representation and Regular Meetings**

**MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:**

**“1. That the following standing committees of the whole be confirmed:**

- **Conference Committee**
- **Audit Committee**

**2. That the following standing subcommittees be confirmed:**

- a) **Community Relations**
- b) **Evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools**
- c) **District Priorities**
- d) **Board Evaluation and Results**
- e) **Planning and Policy**
- f) **Results Review**
- g) **Budget Review**

**3. That board representation on the following district staff negotiating committees be confirmed:**

- **Teaching**
- **Custodial**
- **Maintenance**
- **Support**

**4. That board representation on the following external agencies be confirmed:**

- a) **Alberta School Boards Association**
  - **Provincial Executive**
  - **Zone 23 Executive**
  - **ASBA Issues and Resolutions Committee**
  - **Alberta School Boards Association for Bilingual Education (ASBABE)**
- b) **Public School Boards' Association of Alberta**
  - **provincial executive nominee**
  - **liaison representative**

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- c) **City of Edmonton Names Advisory**
  
- 5. **That the board's membership and representation on the Linkages Advisory Committee for the Capital Region be confirmed.**
  
- 6. **That the board's ASBA Issues and Resolutions Committee comprised of the board chairman or vice-chairman, the ASBA provincial executive member and the Zone 23 representative be confirmed.**
  
- 7. **That the following dates and times of regular meetings be confirmed:**

- a) **Board**

**Regular board meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Special meetings may be held at the call of the chairman.**

- b) **Conference Committee**

**Regular meetings of the conference committee are held on the first Tuesday of each month from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. The third Tuesday of each month will be held as a reserve meeting date for special meetings which may be held at the call of the chairman.**

- c) **Meeting of the Superintendent and Trustees (MST)**

**Regular meetings of the superintendent and trustees (MST) are held on the first Tuesday of each month commencing at 5:30 p.m. Special meetings may be held at the call of the superintendent."**

**The chairman called the question.**

**The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.**

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### 1. Chairman of the Board

Trustee Nicholson called for nominations for the position of chairman of the board.

**MOVED BY Trustee Melnychuk:**

**“That voting for the positions of chairman of the board, vice-chairman of the board, and chairman of the conference committee be conducted by ballot vote.”  
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Hansen nominated Trustee Nicholson.

Trustee Bonko nominated Trustee Fleming.

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The superintendent of schools and the board secretary left the room to count the ballots.

Mrs. Sherwood announced that the majority of the board had elected Trustee Fleming as chairman of the board for the forthcoming year.

Trustee Fleming accepted the chair.

Trustee Nicholson expressed his thanks to the members of the board and the administration and staff of the schools for their support over the past five years. It has been a wonderful experience for him and the highlight of his educational career. He congratulated Trustee Fleming.

### 2. Vice-Chairman of the Board

The chairman called for nominations for vice-chairman of the board.

Trustee Dean nominated Trustee Williams.

**MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Williams as the vice-chairman of the board.

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3. Chairman of Standing Committees of the Whole:
  - i) Conference Committee
  - ii) Audit Committee

The chairman noted that the practice of the board has been to have the same trustee serve as chairman of both the conference committee and audit committee. He then called for nominations for the position of chairman of conference committee and audit committee.

Trustee Williams nominated Trustee Sulyma.

**MOVED BY Trustee Dean:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Sulyma as chairman of the audit and conference committee.

**MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:**

**“That the ballots be destroyed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

4. Representatives on Other Standing Committees
  - i) Community Relations

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to serve on the community relations committee. He noted that the committee only requires two named trustees as the board chairman serves as the third member of the committee.

Trustee Melnychuk nominated Trustee Hansen.

Trustee Sulyma nominated Trustee Dean.

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Dean, Hansen and Fleming as the board's representatives on the community relations committee for the forthcoming year.

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ii) Evaluation of Superintendent of Schools

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to serve on the evaluation of the superintendent of schools committee.

Trustee Sulyma nominated Trustee Fleming.

Trustee Dean nominated Trustee Bonko.

Trustee Gibeault nominated Trustee Williams.

**MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Bonko, Fleming and Williams as the board's representatives on the evaluation of the superintendent of schools committee for the forthcoming year.

iii) District Priorities Committee

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to serve on the district priorities committee.

Trustee Dean nominated Trustee Hansen.

Trustee Sulyma nominated Trustee Gibeault.

Trustee Williams nominated Trustee Nicholson.

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Gibeault, Hansen and Nicholson as the board's representatives on the district priorities committee for the forthcoming year.

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iv) Board Evaluation and Results Committee

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to serve on the board evaluation and results committee.

Trustee Gibeault nominated Trustee Fleming.

Trustee Hansen nominated Trustee Sulyma.

Trustee Fleming nominated Trustee Dean.

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Dean, Fleming and Sulyma as the board's representatives on the board evaluation and results committee for the forthcoming year.

vi) Planning and Policy Review

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to serve on the planning and policy review committee.

Trustee Melnychuk nominated Trustee Hansen.

Trustee Dean nominated Trustee Melnychuk.

Trustee Fleming nominated Trustee Gibeault.

**MOVED BY Trustee Dean:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Gibeault, Hansen and Melnychuk as the board's representatives on the planning and policy review committee for the forthcoming year.

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5. Ad Hoc Negotiation Assignments:

i) Teaching Staff

The chairman called for nominations for trustee representatives to be assigned to teacher negotiations.

Trustee Williams nominated Trustee Dean.

Trustee Fleming nominated Trustee Sulyma.

**MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustees Dean and Sulyma as the board's representatives assigned to negotiations with teaching staff.

ii) Custodial Staff

iii) Maintenance Staff

iv) Support Staff

No representatives were required for the forthcoming year.

6. Representatives to Other Agencies:

i) Alberta School Boards' Association Positions

a) Provincial Executive

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve on the ASBA provincial executive.

Trustee Melnychuk nominated Trustee Dean.

**MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Dean as the board's representative to serve on the ASBA provincial executive.



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Alternate

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve as Trustee Dean's alternate on the ASBA provincial executive.

Trustee Dean nominated Trustee Melnychuk.

**MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:**

**"That nominations cease." (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Melnychuk as Trustee Dean's alternate on the ASBA provincial executive.

b) Zone 23 Executive

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve on the ASBA Zone 23 executive.

Trustee Gibeault nominated Trustee Melnychuk.

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

**"That nominations cease." (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Melnychuk as the board's representative to serve on the ASBA Zone 23 executive.

Alternate

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve as Trustee Melnychuk's alternate on the ASBA Zone 23 executive.

Trustee Hansen nominated Trustee Dean.

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**"That nominations cease." (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Dean as Trustee Melnychuk's alternate on the ASBA Zone 23 executive.

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### Alberta School Boards Association for Bilingual Education

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve on the Alberta School Boards Association for Bilingual Education.

Trustee Bonko nominated Trustee Melnychuk.

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Melnychuk as the board's representative to serve on the Alberta School Boards Association for Bilingual Education.

### ASBA Issues and Resolutions Committee

Trustee Fleming (as chairman of the board), Trustee Dean (as the board's representative on the ASBA provincial executive) and Trustee Melnychuk (as the board's representative on the ASBA Zone 23 executive) will serve as the board's representatives on the ASBA Issues and Resolutions Committee.

ii) Public School Boards' Association of Alberta Positions:

a) Executive Nominee

This item was deferred.

b) Liaison

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve as the board's liaison with the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta.

Trustee Fleming nominated Trustee Sulyma.

**MOVED BY Trustee Dean:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Sulyma as the board's liaison representative with the PSBAA for the coming year.

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iii) City of Edmonton Names Advisory Committee

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve as the board's representative on the City of Edmonton Names Advisory Committee.

Trustee Sulyma nominated Trustee Melnychuk.

**MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Melnychuk as the board's representative on the City of Edmonton Names Advisory Committee for the forthcoming year.

iv) Linkages Advisory Committee for the Capital Region

The chairman called for nominations for a trustee representative to serve as the board's representative on the Linkages Advisory Committee for the Capital Region.

Trustee Bonko nominated Trustee Dean.

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Dean as the board's representative on the Linkages Advisory Committee for the Capital Region for the forthcoming year.

Alberta School Employee Benefits Plan (ASEBP) District Nominee

The chairman called for nominations for a district nominee on the Alberta School Employee Benefits Plan Board.

Trustee Sulyma nominated Trustee Gibeault.

**MOVED BY Trustee Dean:**

**“That nominations cease.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

The chairman declared Trustee Gibeault as the district's nominee on the Alberta School, Employee Benefits Plan Board.

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2. Results Review – Superintendent’s Area

**MOVED BY Trustee Williams:**

“That the report entitled ‘Results Review – Superintendent’s Area’ be received for information.”

**F. Committee and Board Representative Reports – None.**

- Community Relations Activities – None.

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

Mr. McNab, president Edmonton Public Teachers, on behalf of the Local, congratulated Trustee Fleming on being elected board chairman and Trustee Williams for being elected vice-chairman. He also commended Trustee Nicholson for his years of service as board chairman.

Mr. McNab wished the trustees elected to serve on the other district committees well.

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

Trustee Hansen asked whether the Archives and Museum and the 1881 School House are counted in the district’s utilization rate.

Trustee Hansen requested information on the impact of the lottery monies on the total surplus/deficit position of district schools.

**I. Notices of Motion – None.**

**J. Meeting Dates:**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MEETING</b>	<b>COMMENCEMENT TIME</b>
<b>Tuesday, November 7, 2000</b>	<b>Public Board</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>

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**K. Adjournment: (8:30 p.m.)**

**The chairman adjourned the meeting.**

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**Board Chairman**

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**Secretary**