

Summary of Board Meeting #18 Tuesday, October 11, 2005

- A. <u>O Canada</u> District Video.
- **B.** <u>**Roll Call:**</u> (6:00 p.m.) Trustee Fleming was absent.

C. <u>Communications from the Board Chairman</u>

- 1. The chairman welcomed Mr. Dick Baker, Adjunct Professor of Education, Faculty of Education Concordia University Collage of Alberta, and his students who were present to observe the board meeting.
- 2. The chairman noted that the Provincial Executive Council of the Alberta Teachers' Association has proclaimed October 10 to 15, as *Substitute Teacher Appreciation Week* throughout Alberta. District schools have been encouraged, during this week especially, and throughout the year, to recognize the contributions substitute teachers make in providing continuity to the learning experiences of district students. The board values its substitute teachers and applauds the excellent work they are doing on behalf of Edmonton Public Schools to ensure superb results from all students.
- 3. The chairman introduced Mr. Edgar Schmidt who was filling in for Superintendent McBeath at the board meeting and advised that Mr. Schmidt has been appointed as acting superintendent of schools effective October 31, 2005 until such time as a new superintendent has been appointed.

D. <u>Communications from the Superintendent of Schools</u> – None.

E. <u>Minutes</u>:

- 1. Board Meeting #17 –September 27, 2005
- 2. <u>Special Board Meeting October 4, 2005</u>

Approved as printed.

F. Focus on Student Achievement

3. <u>Mary Butterworth School – Focus on Reading Comprehension</u>

Received for information.

G. <u>Reports</u>:

4. <u>Report #19 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held October 4, 2005)</u>

Approved recommendations re:

- Superintendent's compensation package
- Roster for Student Expulsion and Reinstatement Hearings
- 5. <u>Response to Information Requested at the September 27, 2005 Board</u> <u>Meeting</u>

Received for information.

6. <u>Responses to Questions Raised at the September 13, 2005 Board Meeting</u>

Approved recommendation.

7. Motion re Questions for 2006 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey

Approved the following amended recommendation: *That the intent of the following questions be incorporated into the 2006 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey...*

8. Funds for 2006-2007 Professional Improvement Leave

Approved recommendation.

9. <u>Digital On-Line Resources Selector - DORS</u>

Received for information.

- 10. <u>Participation in Alberta Education's Computer Adaptive Assessment Pilot</u> 2005-2007_
 - a) Received for information.
 - b) Trustee Colburn requested that the names of schools that will be involved in the pilot be provided to trustees.
- 11. Fourth Quarterly Report: June 1, 2005 to August 31, 2005
 - a) Received for information.
 - b) Trustee Keiver referred to page 7 of the report regarding the 2005 Major Maintenance Plan and requested clarification of the percentages provided for each of the phases.
- 12. <u>Response to Trustee Request for Information</u>

Received for information.

H. <u>Committee and Board Representative Reports</u> – None.

- **Community Relations Activities** None.
- I. <u>Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives</u> None.

J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Gibeault requested that the administration provide a report outlining the elements that would contribute to the perception of restricted access to school buildings by the community as well as possible courses of action that the board could consider to respond to these concerns.

K. <u>Notices of Motion</u> – None.

L. <u>Next Meeting Date</u>: Organizational Board Meeting Tuesday, October 25, 2005 – 7:30 p.m.

M. <u>Duration of Meeting</u>: 6:00 p.m. to 8:05 p.m.