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- Board Meeting #15 -

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, September 10, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

Bill Bonko
Bob Dean
Don Fleming

Svend Hansen
Gerry Gibeault
Ray Martin

George Nicholson
Lynn Odynski
Jean Woodrow

Officials

Angus McBeath
Donna Barrett
Norm Diemert
Avi Habinski
Bob Holt

John Beaton
John Eshenko
Kathy Goudreau
Betty Matwichuk

David Morris
Tanni Parker
Dale Skoreyko

Chairman: D. Fleming

Board Secretary: A. Sherwood
Recording Secretary: M. Fraser

Employee Representatives:

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

A. O Canada – District video.

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

Mrs. Sherwood advised that all trustees were present.

C. Communications from the Board Chairman

The chairman welcomed everyone to the first board meeting of the 2002-2003 school year.

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The chairman introduced the members of the Edmonton Public Teachers Executive.

The chairman noted that tomorrow the world will remember the victims and survivors of the September 11 terrorist attacks on the United States. Over the past year, Canada has made, and continues to make, important contributions to the global effort against terrorism. As part of this effort, Canadian soldiers have endured hardship and lost their lives as they work to make the world a safer place for all of us. Edmonton Public Schools also has a role to play in preventing violence in our society. One of the district priorities is to achieve high standards of citizenship, conduct, safety and well-being of students and staff. Through the district's character education programs and by instilling a sense of citizenship and community responsibility in our students, we are helping them to develop the attitudes and skills they will need to solve the world's problems in a co-operative, constructive and peaceful way.

A moment of silence was observed out of respect for the lives lost on September 11 and in the ensuing struggle against terrorism.

The chairman acknowledged the members of superintendent's council.

D. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools – None.

E. Minutes:

1. Board Meeting #14 – June 18, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #14 held June 18, 2002 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

2. Board Meeting – August 27, 200

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

“That the minutes of the board meeting held August 27, 2002 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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3. Board Meeting – September 3, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the minutes of the board meeting held September 3, 2002 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

F. Focus on Student Achievement:

4. Central Services Support for Teaching and Learning: Part I

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

“That the report entitled ‘Central Services Support for Teaching and Learning: Part I’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Recognition:

5. Karen Andrews, 2002 YWCA Women of Distinction Award

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the report entitled ‘Karen Andrews, 2002 YWCA Women of Distinction Award’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

H. Reports:

6. Report #13 of the Conference Committee (From the Meetings Held September 3, 2002)

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“1. That report #13 of the Conference Committee from the meeting held September 3, 2002 be received and considered.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“2. That the appointment of Faye Parker as spokesperson for custodial negotiations be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

- “3. That the Board of Trustees accept the resignations by mutual consent of the following teacher certificated staff in accordance with clause 18.1.4.c of the Teachers’ Collective Agreement:

<u>Case Number:</u>	<u>Resignation Date:</u>
2001-2002-1	August 28, 2002
2001-2002-2	August 28, 2002”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

- “4. That the Board of Trustees accept the resignations of the following teacher certificated staff:

Case No.	Resign/Termination Date	Resign/Retire
2001-2002 - 3	October 16/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 4	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 5	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 6	July 1/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 7	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 8	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 9	August 29/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 10	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 11	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 12	November 1/01	Retire
2001-2002 - 13	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 14	August 29/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 15	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 16	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 17	August 30/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 18	August 28/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 19	February 13/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 20	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 21	December 31/01	Resign

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Case No.	Resign/Termination Date	Resign/Retire
2001-2002 - 22	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 23	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 24	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 25	December 11/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 26	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 27	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 28	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 29	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 30	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 31	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 32	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 33	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 34	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 35	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 36	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 37	November 30/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 38	April 17/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 39	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 40	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 41	September 30/01	Retire
2001-2002 - 42	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 43	March 4/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 44	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 45	March 2/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 46	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 47	March 31/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 48	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 49	January 15/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 50	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 51	November 9/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 52	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 53	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 54	May 7/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 55	May 31/02	Resign

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Case No.	Resign/Termination Date	Resign/Retire
2001-2002 - 56	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 57	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 58	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 59	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 60	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 61	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 62	March 15/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 63	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 64	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 65	February 22/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 66	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 67	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 68	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 69	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 70	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 71	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 72	August 30/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 73	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 74	March 31/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 75	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 76	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 77	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 78	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 79	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 80	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 81	August 30/01	Retire
2001-2002 - 82	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 83	September 30/01	Retire
2001-2002 - 84	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 85	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 86	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 87	December 31/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 88	November 7/01	Resign

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Case No.	Resign/Termination Date	Resign/Retire
2001-2002 - 89	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 90	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 91	August 8/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 92	August 30/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 93	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 94	June 30/01	Retire
2001-2002 - 95	February 6/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 96	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 97	September 1/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 98	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 99	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 100	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 101	August 31/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 102	March 1/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 103	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 104	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 105	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 106	April 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 107	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 108	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 109	September 25/01	Resign
2001-2002 - 110	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 111	March 1/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 112	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 113	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 114	March 1/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 115	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 116	June 30/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 117	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 118	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 119	February 23/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 120	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 121	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 122	August 29/02	Resign

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Case No.	Resign/Termination Date	Resign/Retire
2001-2002 – 123	August 29/02	Resign
2001-2002 - 124	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 125	June 30/02	Retire
2001-2002 - 126	August 29/02	Resign”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

7. Delegation of Authority – Superintendent of Schools – 2002 Summer Recess

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“That the report entitled ‘Delegation of Authority – Superintendent of Schools – 2002 Summer Recess’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

8. Response to Delegation Re: Random Selection Process

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

- “1. That the request of the delegation that the random selection policy be reviewed be approved.**
- 2. That the request of the delegation that ‘the catchment areas be reviewed and modified to accommodate children residing closer to schools in their own communities, where the feeder school is much further away, to prevent children from being separated from the peers they grew up with’ be denied.**
- 3. That the request of the delegation that ‘the board appoint a parent panel to oversee the policy changes’ be denied.”**

Trustee Woodrow requested that a legal opinion be provided with respect to the district accepting Catholic students.

Trustee Odynski suggested that school council chairs or their designates be given opportunity to participate in the consultative process.

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The chairman called the question on Recommendation #1.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The chairman called the question on Recommendation #2.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The chairman called the question on Recommendation #3.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

9. Curriculum Additions and Deletions

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

- “1. That the following courses be renewed for use in the district for the period September 2002 through August 2005:**

**Arabic Language and Culture 15/25/35
Asia Pacific Rim Studies 15
Drill and Parade 15
Geometry 15/25
Information Technology in a Global Society 25 (IB)
Introduction to Engineering 25
Military History 15
Music 15/25/35
Sports Medicine 15/25/35
Sports Performance 15/25/35
Television Arts 15/25/35
Theory of Knowledge 35 (IB)**

- 2. That the following revised locally developed courses be approved for use in the district for the period of September 2002 through August 2005:**

**Dance 15/25/35
Drawing (Advanced Techniques) 15/25/35
Painting (Advanced Techniques) 15/25/35
Pottery/Ceramics (Advanced Techniques) 15/25/35
Sculpture (Advanced Techniques) 15/25/35
Physiology of Dance 25**

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3. That the following locally developed courses be deleted for use in the district:
 - Chemical Technology 25
 - Geology of Alberta and Oilfield Technology 25

4. That the following locally developed language courses be approved for use in the district for the period September 2002 through August 2005:
 - American Sign Language 15/25/35
 - American Sign Language Arts K-12 (Bilingual)
 - German Language Arts K-12 (Bilingual)
 - Spanish Language and Culture”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

10. Aboriginal Art Project 2002: “Clothing as Identity”

MOVED BY Trustee Martin:

“That the report entitled ‘Aboriginal Art Project 2002: *Clothing as Identity*’ be received for information.”

Trustee Nicholson requested that a letter of appreciation to Edmonton Police Services for sponsorship of the Aboriginal Art Project 2002 be prepared for the chairman’s signature.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

11. Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the report entitled ‘Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee’ be received for information.”

Trustee Odynski requested that a listing of the names of the Aboriginal Advisory committee and a brief biography of each be provided.

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The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The board took a brief break at this point in the meeting.

12. Monograph: “Involvement in Site-Based Decision Making: Sharing Our Experiences”

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report entitled ‘Monograph: *Involvement in Site-Based Decision Making: Sharing Our Experiences*’” be received for information.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

13. Provincial Early Childhood Development Initiative: Region 10 Plan

MOVED BY Trustee Odynski:

“That the report entitled ‘Provincial Early Childhood Development Initiative: Region 10 Plan’ be received for information.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

14. Highest Level of Achievement Test Results: June 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the report entitled ‘Highest Level of Achievement Test Results: June 2002’ be received for information.”

Trustee Woodrow requested that information be provided regarding any studies on the efficacy of balanced literacy programs versus meaningfully applied phonics (MAP).

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

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15. Results from the Audit of the HLAT Writing Task: 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Odynski:

“That the report entitled ‘Results from the Audit of the HLAT Writing Task: 2002’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

16. 2002 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey Results

17. 2002 Community Survey Results

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

“That the reports entitled ‘2002 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey Results’ and ‘2002 Community Survey Results’ be received for information.”

Trustee Gibeault requested that consideration be given to surveying high school students regarding their satisfaction with the board of trustees.

Trustee Odynski requested that information be provided from surveys that were administered during years with labour disruptions with respect to the satisfaction with trustees (e.g. 1979 and 1990).

Trustee Gibeault requested that information be provided with respect to the examples given in the community survey question concerning exclusive supply agreements.

Trustee Woodrow requested that the decline in parent satisfaction with the usefulness of the information in their child’s report card be examined.

The superintendent indicated that he would seek the input of members of superintendent’s council.

Trustee Hansen suggested that the survey question with respect to parent satisfaction with their child’s report card may yield different results if it is broken down by division.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the meeting be extended to complete the agenda.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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18. Third Quarterly Report: March 1, 2002 to May 31, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the report entitled ‘Third Quarterly Report: March 1, 2002 to May 31, 2002’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

19. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

MOVED BY Trustee Odynski:

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

20. Bereavement

The vice-chairman reported on the death of Mr. Juan Torchia, a custodian.

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report be received with regret and the actions of the administration in this regard be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

- I. Committee and Board Representative Reports – None.**
•Community Relations Activities

Trustee Odynski advised that she had attended the Annual General Meeting of the Edmonton Police Foundation at which time she had the opportunity to tour the Zebra Centre which is a family-friendly intake centre for families whose children are being investigated for neglect or abuse. She commended the work of Principal Mary Michailides for playing a very strong role in getting this intake centre established.

Trustee Odynski advised that she had participated in a focus group on June 25th sponsored by the YWCA which was called One Woman One Vote. The purpose of this meeting was to get input from women in the city holding elected positions. The One Woman One Vote Committee assists women in becoming active participants in shaping the public agenda by increasing their participation in the election process and by seeking elected office. She will provide a report to the board secretary for trustee information. She also noted that further information could be obtained from YWCA for students involved in student councils or if there are other women interested in this. The YWCA is looking to partner with other organizations interested in this topic. She also noted that she had attended a breakfast meeting that was held prior to the Federal PC Convention that was held in Edmonton that brought women from across the country to examine this same issue.

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

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Odynski requested that information be provided regarding whether the district has a heritage management plan for historical buildings.

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Next Meetings:

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, September 24, 2002	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

N. Adjournment: (9:20 p.m.)

The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Board Secretary