

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

April 10, 2007

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: B. Holt, Acting Superintendent
SUBJECT: 2007-2008 Proposed Planning Base
ORIGINATOR: C. McCabe, Executive Director
RESOURCE
STAFF: Jamie Pallett, Dean Power, Eila Stenberg

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the framework of the planning base as outlined in this report be approved.
2. That the administration be authorized to adjust the resources in the planning base in accordance with the Alberta Education funding announcements contained in the April 2007 provincial budget.

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The proposed planning base for 2007-2008 is outlined in Table #1. Also included in Table #1 are the actual budgets from the two proceeding years for comparison purposes. It is important to note that the amounts indicated under the Proposed Planning Base are preliminary only and are based on the best information available at this time. When determining the projected revenue the following factors were taken into account:

- a. 0 per cent grant rate increase for 2007-2008.
- b. Projected increase in district enrolment of 337 students.
- c. Projected increase in English Language Learner enrolment of 6 per cent.
- d. Decrease in debt services expenses.

A detailed description of the revenue forecast is outlined in Appendix I.

When the provincial budget is made public on April 19th, the forecast revenue will be adjusted to reflect the announced grant rates. Once adjustments are made to the projected revenue, the net percentage increase will be distributed to schools and central decision units.

Table #1

	2005-2006 Actual Budget Planning Base	2006-2007 Actual Budget Planning Base	2007-2008 Proposed Planning Base
PROJECTED REVENUE	\$ 639,863,395	\$ 676,732,000	\$ 684,711,000
SCHOOLS /INSTITUTIONS	\$ 476,529,398	\$ 502,249,208	\$ 510,000,000
School Generated Funds	\$ 24,244,000	\$ 22,899,109	\$ 23,571,000
CENTRAL ALLOCATIONS	\$ 42,898,204	\$ 44,620,862	\$ 47,190,000
Partial Payment of Operating Deficit	\$ 0	\$ 6,750,000	\$ 0
DISTRICT LEVEL COMMITTED FUNDS			
Election	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 850,000
Personnel Supply Services	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 7,600,000	\$ 8,200,000
Professional Improvement Leaves	\$ 1,390,000	\$ 1,490,000	\$ 1,500,000
Transportation	\$ 24,191,403	\$ 28,072,567	\$ 28,200,000
Metro	\$ 7,322,000	\$ 6,335,244	\$ 6,300,000
Debt Services	\$ 33,100,000	\$ 30,500,000	\$ 29,800,000
External Revenue	\$ 7,388,390	\$ 8,255,350	\$ 8,200,000
Parkade	\$ 500,000	\$ 0	\$ 0
Utilities	\$ 16,000,000	\$ 16,000,000	\$ 17,500,000
High Speed Network	\$ 0	\$ 1,389,660	\$ 1,400,000
DISTRICT LEVEL PRIORITY FUNDING			
District Technology Projects	\$ 0	\$ 370,000	\$ 1,000,000
Public Consultation	\$ 0	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
School Cluster Support for ELL and Aboriginal Learners	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 500,000
Aboriginal Task Force	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 300,000
PLANNING BASE	\$ 639,863,395	\$ 676,732,000	\$ 684,711,000

Resources to Schools/Institutions

The resources identified for schools and institutions (\$510.0 M) is approximately 92 per cent of the resources available for allocation after district level committed funds and district level priority funding has been removed. This represents an increase of approximately \$7.8 M or 1.5 per cent from the 2006-2007 funding level. These additional dollars have become available primarily because of the increase in student enrolment.

Central Allocations

The resources identified for central decision units (\$47.1 M) is approximately 8 per cent of the resources available after district level committed funds and district level priority funding has been removed. This amount represents an increase of approximately \$2.6 M or 5.7 per cent from the 2006-2007 funding level. Embedded within the central allocations are resources supporting the English Language Learning Centre (\$600,000) and the Edmonton Regional Educational Consulting Services (\$2,789,000).

District Level Committed Funds

District Level Committed Funds are resources designated for specific purposes and are not available for general allocation. The table below provides a description of each of the items under this category. These resources will be allocated to the central decision unit managing these responsibilities at a later date.

Expenditure		Explanation
Election	850,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with trustee elections.
Personnel Supply Services	8,200,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with teacher, custodial and support staff district-funded absences, and for custodial and maintenance retirement bonuses as per the respective Collective Agreements.
Professional Improvement Leaves	1,500,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with the accumulated salary charges and expenditures related to Clause 23 Professional Improvement Leaves and Tuition Support and the Teacher Development Program.
Transportation	28,200,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with transporting students within the district.
Metro Continuing Education	6,300,000	Expenditures generated though course and program fees and CEU's at Metro Continuing Education.
Debt Services	29,800,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with the district's long term debt and debenture, capital loan principal repayments and interest costs incurred by the district.
External Revenue	8,200,000	Projected external revenue identified by central services decision units.
Parkade		<i>** Lease payment for parkade. No longer applicable.</i>
Utilities	17,500,000	Resources to cover school utility costs.
High Speed Network	1,400,000	Resources to cover the costs associated managing and operating the High Speed Internet links for schools.

District Level Priority Funding

These resources are designated to support district priorities and areas of emphasis as identified through consultation with trustees, district staff, community partners and other district stakeholders. These resources will be allocated to the central decision unit managing these responsibilities at a later date.

Expenditure		Explanation
District Technology Projects	1,000,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with upgrading district wide technology software. Items include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upgrade of Student Information System (SIS)• Upgrade of Budget Planning System• Development of Facilities Management System• Development of Records Management System
Public Consultations	200,000	Resources to cover the costs associated with developing a public consultation framework.
School Cluster Support for ELL and Aboriginal Learners	500,000	Resources supporting a pilot project intended to provide transition programming and additional supports to schools serving English Language Learners and Aboriginal students.
Aboriginal Task force	300,000	Resources intended to support recommendations coming from the district's Aboriginal Task Force.

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Appendix I – Preliminary Revenue Forecast for the 2007-2008 School Year

**EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PRELIMINARY REVENUE FORECAST
FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR**

	SEPTEMBER 2006-2007 FORECAST	CHANGES		JANUARY 2006-2007 FORECAST	CHANGES	PRELIMINARY 2007-2008 FORECAST
BASE FUNDING						
ECS BASE	14,783,000	19,000	1	14,802,000	550,000	15,352,000
GRADES 1 TO 12	379,179,000	482,000	2	379,661,000	859,000	380,520,000
SENIOR HIGH SUMMER SCHOOL	2,275,000	934,000	3	3,209,000	0	3,209,000
HOME EDUCATION	802,000	1,000	4	803,000	(5,000)	798,000
DIFFERENTIAL COST FUNDING						
ECS MILD & MODERATE	672,000	220,000	5	892,000	0	892,000
ECS PROGRAM UNIT FUNDING	18,177,000	1,370,000	6	19,547,000	0	19,547,000
SEVERE DISABILITIES	31,489,000	0		31,489,000	0	31,489,000
ESL	7,068,000	0		7,068,000	404,000	7,472,000
FIRST NATIONS, METIS & INUIT	7,224,000	0		7,224,000	0	7,224,000
SOCIO ECONOMIC STATUS	8,545,000	17,000	7	8,562,000	27,000	8,589,000
SMALL SCHOOL BY NECESSITY	2,800,000	0		2,800,000	0	2,800,000
ENROLMENT GROWTH & DECLINE	947,000	0		947,000	0	947,000
RELATIVE COST OF PURCHASING	2,533,000	16,000	8	2,549,000	10,000	2,559,000
METRO URBAN TRANSPORTATION	17,096,000	54,000	9	17,147,000	123,000	17,270,000
ECS SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION	1,671,000	50,000	10	1,721,000	0	1,721,000
FUEL FUNDING INITIATIVE	780,000	0		780,000	0	780,000
DAILY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	197,000	0		197,000	0	197,000
FEDERAL FRENCH FUNDING	400,000	0		400,000	0	400,000
PROVINCIAL PRIORITY TARGETED FUNDING						
INITIATIVE FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT	9,900,000	0		9,900,000	0	9,900,000
HIGH SPEED NETWORKING	1,390,000	0		1,390,000	0	1,390,000
CLASS SIZE INITIATIVE	26,207,000	0		26,207,000	0	26,207,000
OTHER PROVINCIAL SUPPORT						
INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT	6,027,000	(4,000)	11	6,023,000	0	6,023,000
REGIONAL EDUCATION CONSULTING SERVICES	2,789,000	0		2,789,000	0	2,789,000
LRDC - ESTIMATED UTILIZATION	831,000	0		831,000	0	831,000
AMISKWACIY O&M SUPPORT	424,000	(424,000)	12	0	0	0
INSTRUCTIONAL FUNDING	<u>544,206,000</u>	<u>2,735,000</u>		<u>546,938,000</u>	<u>1,968,000</u>	<u>548,906,000</u>
PLANT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	<u>57,198,000</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>57,198,000</u>	<u>840,000</u>	<u>58,038,000</u>
TOTAL OPERATIONAL FUNDING	<u>601,404,000</u>	<u>2,735,000</u>		<u>604,136,000</u>	<u>2,808,000</u>	<u>606,944,000</u>
CAPITAL						
DEBENTURE INTEREST	2,154,000	0		2,154,000	(447,000)	1,707,000
AMORTIZATION OF CAPITAL GRANTS	11,665,000	0		11,665,000	(979,000)	10,686,000
AMORT OF INVEST IN CAPITAL ASSETS	13,462,000	0		13,462,000	766,000	14,228,000
	<u>27,281,000</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>27,281,000</u>	<u>(660,000)</u>	<u>26,621,000</u>
SCHOOL GENERATED FUNDS	<u>20,624,000</u>	<u>2,947,000</u>	13	<u>23,571,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>23,571,000</u>
OTHER						
OTHER SCHOOL JURISDICTIONS	1,922,000	0		1,922,000	0	1,922,000
PROVINCIAL GRANTS	750,000	150,000	14	900,000	0	900,000
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	1,419,000	0		1,419,000	0	1,419,000
TUITION AGREEMENTS	646,000	2,000	15	648,000	0	648,000
BUS PASS SALES	8,426,000	0		8,426,000	0	8,426,000
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEES	3,520,000	0		3,520,000	0	3,520,000
METRO CONTINUING EDUCATION FEES	3,978,000	0		3,978,000	0	3,978,000
EXTERNAL REVENUE - CENTRAL DU'S	6,479,000	0		6,479,000	0	6,479,000
MISCELLANEOUS	283,000	0		283,000	0	283,000
	<u>27,423,000</u>	<u>152,000</u>		<u>27,575,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>27,575,000</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	<u>676,732,000</u>	<u>5,834,000</u>		<u>682,563,000</u>	<u>2,148,000</u>	<u>684,711,000</u>

**EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
PRELIMINARY REVENUE PROJECTION
FOR THE 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR**

1. Planning has projected an increase in enrolment of 337 students or 0.4%. The impact on the per student grants is reflected here.
2. The ESL enrolment is projected to increase by 6%.
3. Plant operation and maintenance funding had been estimated using the current formula which uses the 2006-07 enrolment.
4. The debenture interest continues to decrease as the debt on school buildings is paid down. The change in amortization reflects the change in assets acquired.