

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

February 27, 2001

TO: Board of Trustees
FROM: E. Dosedall, Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: Delegation Re Eastwood School Junior High Program
ORIGINATOR: A. Sherwood, Board Secretary

INFORMATION

Ms Cynthia Marino has requested an opportunity for a delegation representing a parent group from Eastwood School opposed to the proposed closure of the junior high school program at the school to appear before the board to raise the following issues:

- safety of their children
- turf wars between mixing of various groups of adolescents
- importance of Outreach and Opportunity programs to the Eastwood area.
- effects of not having a year round Junior high school in their Elementary

Correspondence from Anne Sherwood, board secretary, dated February 23, 2001 advising of the board's procedures concerning delegations and that arrangements have been made for the delegation to be heard by the board at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2001 is attached (Appendix I).

Ms Patricia Eyre and Ms Denise Dyck will be the delegation spokespersons.

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APPENDIX I - Correspondence from A. Sherwood, Board Secretary
APPENDIX II - (Green Page) Correspondence submitted by the Delegation

From: Anne Sherwood
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2001 10:59 AM
To: Paul Gish
Cc: Emery Dosdall; Shirley Stiles; Faye Parker
Subject: Delegation Re Eastwood School Junior High Program

Ms Cynthia Marino
c/o Paul Gish, Principal Eastwood School

Dear Ms Marino:

Your e-mail of February 23, 2001 is acknowledged. I understand that you will be asking the board to consider the following with respect to the possible closure of the junior high program at Eastwood School:

- safety of your children
- turf wars between mixing of various groups of adolescents
- importance of Outreach and Opportunity programs to the Eastwood area.
- effects of not having a year round Junior high school in your Elementary

Arrangements have been made for your two spokespersons to appear before the board at its meeting of **Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.**

The instructions for scheduled board delegations are as follows:

- **The delegation may appoint two spokesmen. Each person may make a verbal presentation not exceeding 5 minutes (10 minutes in total), and must be prepared to clarify issues and answer questions for the trustees.**
- **Board meetings commence at 6:00 p.m. and are held in McCauley Chambers on the second floor of the Centre for Education at 102 Street and Kingsway. Underground parking is available. Two seats will be reserved for the spokesperson(s) near the centre microphone in McCauley Chambers where the spokesperson(s) may be seated until called by the chairman.**
- **Decisions regarding requests made by delegations will be dealt with at the next meeting of the board or appropriate committee unless otherwise agreed to by a majority vote of the members present.**
- **If a delegation has information it wishes provided to the trustees with respect to its presentation, one reproducible copy is to be submitted to the Board Office no later than 4:30 p.m. the Wednesday preceding the board meeting. The information will be included along with the delegation's letter of request to appear before the board with the agenda material being sent to trustees on the Friday preceding the board meeting.**

Ms Cynthia Marino

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A copy of the report that will be provided to trustees with respect to your delegation will be e-mailed to you at Eastwood School later this afternoon (it will include your e-mail letter of request). If you have a written copy of your speaking notes, a copy would be appreciated following your presentation. It can be given to the recording secretary (she is seated to the side of McCauley Chambers) or to myself (I will be seated at the trustees' table).

Please note that the agenda for the February 27, 2001 board meeting and related board reports will also be accessible from the district's internet site later this afternoon at: <http://epsb.edmonton.ab.ca/trustees/agenda.shtml>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 429-8020.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Anne Sherwood, Board Secretary

cc: Emery Dosedall, Superintendent of Schools
Shirley Stiles, Assistant to the Superintendent of Schools
Faye Parker, Supervisor School and District Services

-----Original Message-----

From: Paul Gish
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2001 10:33 AM
To: Anne Sherwood
Cc: City Centre Education Project
Subject: Eastwood Delegation

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Cynthia Marino, a concerned Eastwood parent. On behalf of the Eastwood parent group opposed to the closure of the Eastwood Junior High, I would like to request a hearing from the Board of Trustees at their meeting on Tuesday, February 27. We feel the Board needs to be aware of some serious issues related to the closure of the Junior High.

- safety of our children
- turf wars between mixing of various groups of adolescents
- importance of Outreach and Opportunity programs to the Eastwood area.
- effects of not having a year round Junior high school on our Elementary

Patricia Eyre and Denise Dyck will speak on behalf of our delegation.

Thank you,
Cynthia Marino