

- Board Meeting #4 -

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, December 14, 1999 at 6:00 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
Angus McBeath
Gary Reynolds
Shirley Stiles

Don Blackwell
Mike Burke
Mary-Lou Cleveland
George Rice

Pat Semeniuk
Betty Tams
Fran Yeske

Chairman: G. Nicholson

Secretary: A. Sherwood

Representatives:

CUPE Local 474: M. Pailamilla

A. O Canada

Students from Sifton School performed O Canada.

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

Mrs. Sherwood advised that all trustees were present.

C. Communications from the Board Chairman – None.

D. Communications from the Superintendent

Dr. Dosedall advised that the administration had made a presentation to Minister of Infrastructure Ed Stelmach regarding the board's position on the utilization rate, ageing and deteriorating facilities as well as block funding. The Minister was advised that the board is always looking for innovative ways that we can meet the needs of students as our enrolment increases and, in particular, in new neighbourhoods and would be seeking his assistance.

The administration will encapsulate the main points of the meeting and provide this information to trustees and to school principals.

E. Minutes:

1. Board Meeting #3 – November 30, 1999

MOVED BY Trustee Williams:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #3 held November 30, 1999 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

F. Focus on Student Achievement:

2. Sifton School: Learning in the New Millennium

MOVED BY Trustee Melnychuk:

“That the report entitled ‘Sifton School: Learning in the New Millennium’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Recognition:

3. “Invest in Success” Trust

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the report entitled ‘*Invest in Success* Trust’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

4. One Child – Our Future (The Millennium Song)

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

“That the report entitled ‘One Child – Our Future (The Millennium Song)’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

H. Reports:

5. Report #3 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held December 7, 1999)

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

- “1. That report #3 of the Conference Committee from the meeting December 7, 1999 be received and considered.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma

- “2. That the Board of Trustees accept the terminations by mutual consent of the following teacher certificated staff in accordance with clause 14.1.4.c of the Teachers’ Collective Agreement:**

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Termination Date</u>
1998-99-218	May 1, 1999
1998-99-219	May 1, 1999”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma

- “3. That the deferred portion of the deficit recovery grant be allocated to schools on a per pupil basis.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

6. Programming for Senior High School Students with Special Needs and Students at Risk, 1999-2000

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

- “That the report entitled ‘Programming for Senior High School Students with Special Needs and Students at Risk, 1999-2000’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

7. District Priorities 1999-2002

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

- “That the *District Priorities 1999-2002*, as amended, be reaffirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Hansen left at this point in the meeting for the rest of the meeting.

8. Outreach Policy and Programs

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

- “1. That board support for the Alberta Learning outreach policy, which states, ‘All students are entitled to an education and Alberta Learning supports the transition of student dropouts back into school through an Outreach Program’, be confirmed.**
- 2. That board support for the application to offer an outreach program under the auspices of Centre High be confirmed.”**

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“That the following substitute motion be approved: *The board believes that all students are entitled to an education and supports the transition of student dropouts back into school through such measures as outreach programs.*”

The chairman called the question on the Substitute Motion.

IN FAVOUR: Trustees Melnychuk and Nicholson

OPPOSED: Trustees Bonko, Dean, Fleming, Gibeault, Sulyma and Williams

The Substitute Motion was DEFEATED.

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.

9. Year 2000, 2001 and 2002 Capital Submission

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the capital projects identified in the report, forming the district’s three year capital plan submission to Alberta Infrastructure, be approved.”

Trustee Melnychuk requested that information be provided regarding the criteria that was used to determine the ranking of the projects identified in the capital submission report.

The chairman called the question.

IN FAVOUR: Trustees Bonko, Dean, Fleming, Gibeault, Nicholson, Sulyma and Williams

OPPOSED: Trustee Melnychuk

The Motion was CARRIED.

10. Eastwood Year Round Modified Calendar: Year One Monitoring

Ms Linda Love-Walsh, principal Eastwood School, noted a correction on page one of the report. The last sentence of third bullet should read: *The number of in-school and out-of-school suspensions for negative behaviour was reduced by almost 70 per cent over the previous year.*

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

“That the report entitled ‘Eastwood Year Round Modified Calendar: Year One Monitoring’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

11. Monitoring of Early Reading Initiative

MOVED BY Trustee Williams:

“That the report entitled ‘Monitoring of Early Reading Initiative’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

12. Writing Road to Reading Pilot Results

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the report entitled ‘Writing Road to Reading Pilot Results’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

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

13. Factors Influencing Student Transportation Fees

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the report be deferred to the January 11, 2000 board meeting and be dealt with as the first item after any reports from the conference committee to board.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

14. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

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

Trustee Bonko requested further information as to whether we have an arrangement similar to the Catholic School Board regarding the hiring of NorQuest graduates.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

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

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

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Melnychuk requested further information regarding the ASEBP surcharge – what is the total surcharge and how does that break down by staff group?

Trustee Melnychuk requested that the recently approved policy on Outreach Programs be brought to the Planning and Policy committee to review wording and format.

L. Notices of Motion

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That board policy CCE.BP – Definition of a School and any other board policies that are past their review dates be reviewed by the Planning and Policy Committee.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the employee benefits report minus the appendices be shared with the ATA Local, the CUPE Locals and the Exempt Liaison Committee”.

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

“That this matter be referred to the administration.”

The chairman called the question on the Referral Motion.

The Referral Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

M. Meeting Dates:

Dr. Dossdall expressed pleasure in working with the board in the last century and looked forward to working with trustees in the next century.

The chairman wished everyone a very pleasant holiday.

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, January 11, 2000	Public Board	6:00 p.m.

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

The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary