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- Board Meeting #4 -

Minutes of the 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 13, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

David Colburn
Bev Esslinger
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault
Ken Gibson
Svend Hansen

Wendy Keiver
George Nicholson
Don Williams

Officials

Edgar Schmidt
Betty Tams

Donna Barrett
Bob Holt
Ron MacNeil

Corinne McCabe
Tanni Parker

Board Chair: Bev Esslinger

Secretary: Anne Sherwood

Recording Secretary: Manon Fraser

Employee Representatives:

Edmonton Public Teachers: Mark Ramsankar, President

A. **O Canada** – *District Video*

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

Mrs. Sherwood reported that all trustees were present.

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C. Recognition:

1. “An Act to Follow” Staff Recognition Program

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the report entitled “*An Act to Follow – Staff Recognition Program*’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

D. Communications from the Board Chair

2. Transfer of Strathearn School

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“That the sale and transfer of Strathearn School to the Conseil Scolaire Centre-Nord be approved in principle subject to the approval of the Minister of Education and to the negotiation of specific terms of the sale and transfer.”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The board chair, on behalf of the board of trustees, wished everyone the very best of the season and reminded staff members from the Centre for Education, Archives and Museum, Bennett Centre, Maintenance Shops, Warehouse, Book Depository, Metro Continuing Education and Victoria School that they are invited to join trustees at the annual Trustees’ Coffee Party – which will be held Friday in the Atrium at the Centre for Education from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

E. Communications from the Acting Superintendent of Schools – None.

F. Minutes:

3. Board Meeting #3 – November 29, 2005

MOVED BY Trustee Keiver:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #3 held November 29, 2005 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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G. Focus on Student Achievement:

4. Northmount School – Focus on Reading Comprehension

MOVED BY Trustee Esslinger:

“That the report entitled ‘Northmount School - Focus on Reading Comprehension’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

H. Reports:

5. Curriculum Additions and Deletions – Locally Developed Courses

MOVED BY Trustee Keiver:

“That the following locally developed courses be renewed for use in the district for another three year term (until August 2008):

Code	Course Name	Credit Value
LDC1959	Advanced Acting ¹ 15	3 or 5
LDC2959	Advanced Acting ¹ 25	3 or 5
LDC3959	Advanced Acting ¹ 35	3 or 5

¹Acquired from Calgary Roman Catholic Separate School District”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

6. Inclusion of Students with Special Education Needs

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report entitled ‘Inclusion of Students with Special Education Needs’ be received for information.”

Trustee Colburn requested that information be provided regarding the number of students with mild, moderate or severe special needs in the district.

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

The board took a short break at this point.

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7. Support for High School Completion

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

“That the report entitled ‘Support for High School Completion’ be received for information.”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

8. Framework for Proposed Ten-Year Facilities Plan (2007-2016)

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That the report entitled ‘Framework for Proposed Ten-Year Facilities Plan (2007-2016)’ be received for information.”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

9. Leadership Selection Processes

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“That the report entitled ‘Leadership Selection Processes’ be received for information.”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

10. Community Access to Schools Consultation Group Findings Report

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

“That the report entitled ‘Community Access to Schools Consultation Group Findings Report’ be received for information.”

The board chair called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

11. Response to Trustee Request for Information

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MOVED BY Trustee Gibson:

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

The board chair 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

Ms Antoinette Mongillo, Victoria School parent, commended the staff and students at the school but expressed concern regarding the lack of construction progress. She requested an opportunity to make a presentation at the January 17, 2005 board meeting with respect to the concerns of parents and students regarding the condition of the school.

The board chair advised that the Board Secretary would contact Ms Mongillo with respect to making the presentation.

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Keiver requested that a financial report be provided from the designated receiving schools as a result of the school closure process last spring who needed to move supplies and equipment from the closed schools detailing the costs incurred to have the supplies and equipment moved to their site.

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Meeting Dates:

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
January 17, 2006	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

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N. **Adjournment:** (8:55 p.m.)

The chairman adjourned the meeting.

Board Chair

Secretary