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- Board Meeting #5 -

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, January 14, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

Bill Bonko
Bob Dean
Don Fleming

Gerry Gibeault
Svend Hansen
Ray Martin

George Nicholson
Lynn Odynski
Jean Woodrow

Officials

Angus McBeath
Donna Barrett
Norm Diemert
Avi Habinski
Bob Holt

John Beaton
Patti Christensen
Kathy Goudreau
Elvira Loewen

Betty Matwichuk
David Morris
Tanni Parker

Chairman: D. Fleming

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

Employee Representatives:

Edmonton Public Teachers: K. Beaton
CUPE Local 474: D. Luellman
CUPE Local 3550: T. Grebenstein

A. O Canada

Amanda Dallow, a student, and George Evans, a teacher, from L'Académie Vimy Ridge Academy sang O Canada.

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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 back.

D. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools – None.

E. Minutes:

1. Board Meeting #4 – December 10, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #4 held December 10, 2002 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

2. Board Meeting – December 17, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

“That the minutes of the board meeting held December 17, 2002 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

F. Focus on Student Achievement:

3. Donnan and Vimy Ridge: A High Performance Partnership

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report entitled ‘Donnan and Vimy Ridge: A High Performance Partnership’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Reports:

4. Curriculum Addition – MATH 35 (AP) STATISTICS

MOVED BY Trustee Martin:

“That the locally developed course *MATH 35 (AP) STATISTICS* be approved for use in Edmonton Public Schools.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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5. Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISI) Monitoring Information: Year Two Results

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report entitled ‘Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (AISI) Monitoring Information: Year Two Results’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

The board took a break at this point.

9. Presentations on the Proposed 2003-2004 Planning and Operating Budget:
 - Edmonton Public Teachers
 - CUPE Local 474 (Custodial Staff)

The chairman advised that CUPE Local 3550 (support staff) and exempt staff would make their presentations at the January 28, 2003 board meeting. CUPE Local 784 (maintenance) will not be making a presentation this year. He also advised that a report regarding responses to employee groups will be prepared for the February 11, 2003 board meeting. The presentations and responses will be disseminated to school principals and decision unit administrators for consideration in the development of their plans for the 2003-2004 school year.

Ms Karen Beaton, president Edmonton Public Teachers, verbally presented the teachers’ brief.

Mr. Doug Luellman, president CUPE Local 474 (custodial staff), verbally presented the Local’s brief.

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the verbal presentations from the presidents of Edmonton Public Teachers and CUPE Local 474 be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

Trustees were provided with a written copy of the two staff group presentations.

6. District Rates for 2003-2004

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the report entitled ‘District Rates for 2003-2004’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

7. District Technology Specifications and Guidelines

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8. SmartNet

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the reports entitled ‘District Technology Specifications and Guidelines’ and ‘SmartNet’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

10. First Quarterly Report: September 1, 2002 to November 30, 2002

MOVED BY Trustee Hansen:

“That the report entitled ‘First Quarterly Report: September 1, 2002 to November 30, 2002’ be received for information.”

MOVED BY Trustee Nicholson:

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

Trustee Nicholson requested that information be provided with respect to which capital projects have been deferred as a result of the province’s recent announcement.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

11. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

MOVED BY Trustee Woodrow:

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

Trustee Woodrow requested that longitudinal data covering the last five years be provided with respect to the number of substitute teacher days used for professional development.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

H. Committee and Board Representative Reports – None.

•Community Relations Activities – None.

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

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J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Martin requested an analysis of private/public partnerships to build needed infrastructure recently referred to by the Premier. Also provide information on the experience of Nova Scotia with P3s (private-public partnerships).

Trustee Odynski requested that trustees be provided with a copy of the original proposal to Alberta Learning in 1999 for a centre for family school partnership referred to in the ATA's submission to the Learning Commission.

K. Notices of Motion – None.

L. Next Meeting:

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, January 28, 2003	Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.

M. Adjournment: (9:15 p.m.)

The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Board Secretary