



## Summary of Board Meeting #9 Tuesday, March 14, 2006

A. **O Canada** – District Video.

B. **Roll Call:** (6:05 p.m.)

Trustee Gibeault and Gibson were absent. All other trustees were present.

C. **Communications from the Board Chair**

There were no communications from the board chair.

D. **Communications from the Acting Superintendent of Schools**

There were no communications from the acting superintendent of schools.

E. **Minutes:**

1. **Board Meeting #8 – February 28, 2006**

Approved as printed.

F. **Focus on Student Achievement**

2. **Inglewood School – Focus on Reading Comprehension**

Received for information.

G. **Recognition:**

3. **Edwin Parr Excellence in Teaching Award**

a) Received for information.

b) Teacher Tina Fermaniuk of Brightview School was announced as the district's nominee for the Edwin Parr Excellence in Teaching Award.

## H. Reports:

### 4. Motion re Funding for District Infrastructure

The following substitute motion was approved:

1. *That a letter be sent to Premier Klein requesting that, in light of the recently announced government surplus in excess of \$7 billion dollars, the Edmonton Public School District be allocated infrastructure funding sufficient to address our current serious backlog of new capital construction and major modernization requirements.*
2. *That the administration prepare an immediate News Release detailing the history of our infrastructure shortfalls as well as our present and future infrastructure requirements.*
3. *That, as soon as possible, the administration facilitate a press conference for the Board Chair to identify and clarify for the citizens of Edmonton our district's significant infrastructure deficit and needs.*

### 5. Proposed Bylaw Amendment and Issues for the 2006 ASBA Spring/Fall General Meetings

Approved recommendation.

### 6. Presentations from Staff Group Representatives re 2006-2007 Budget:

- CUPE Local 474 (custodial staff)
  - Exempt Staff
- a) The verbal reports were received for information.
  - b) The staff group presentations and responses to presentations will be will be disseminated to school principals and decision unit administrators for consideration in the development of their plans for the 2006-2007 school year.

### 7. District Rates for 2006-2007

- a) Received for information.
- b) Trustee Keiver requested clarification of the “out of district” participants for music enrichment and why there has been no increase in rates.
- c) Trustee Hansen suggested that a survey of high school principals regarding the adequacy of the textbook rental fee might be worthwhile.

8. Trustee Planning Initiatives for 2006-2007

Received for information.

9. Changes to the Basis of Allocation for 2006-2007

Received for information.

10. Victoria School Update Report

Received for information.

11. Update on the New High School in Riverbend - Terwillegar

Received for information.

12. Response to Trustee Request for Information

Received for information.

**I. Committee and Board Representative Reports**

• **Community Relations Activities**

There were no committee, board representative or community relations activities reported.

**J. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives**

There were no comments from the public or staff group representatives.

**K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information**

There were no trustee or board requests for information.

**L. Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion served.

**M. Next Meeting Date: April 18, 2006 – 6:00 p.m. - Board**

**N. Duration of Meeting: 6:05 p.m. to 8:55 p.m.**