

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

May 26, 2009

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: E. Schmidt, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Introduction of the 2009-2010 Proposed Budget

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RESOURCE
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INFORMATION

On Tuesday, May 26, 2009 the District's 2009-2010 proposed budget will be introduced to trustees. Board Subcommittee meetings will then be held May 27 (central decision units), May 28 and June 5 (schools). These meetings will allow trustees to meet with central services decision unit managers and principals to discuss specifics about their proposed budgets and plans.

At the June 9, 2009 public board meeting a recommendation will be brought forward to approve the 2009-2010 proposed budget and central and school plans. At this meeting, trustees will have the opportunity to comment on the subcommittee process, share perspectives regarding the reviews of school and central decision unit plans, and identify trends they have noted.

Highlights of the proposed budget are attached in Appendix I. The process and timeline for the board review of the proposed budget plans are attached as Appendix II.

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Appendix I – Highlights of Proposed Budget

Appendix II – Process and Timeline for the Board Review of the Proposed 2009-2010 Budget

Highlights of Proposed 2009-2010 Budget

1. Total projected revenue equals \$774.7 million
 - a. \$771.7 million provincial funding
 - b. \$3.0 million unrestricted accumulated surplus from 2007-2008
2. Factors influencing projected revenue include:
 - a. 4.8% increase on the base instruction and class size grants;
 - b. 3.0% increase in the transportation and plant operation and maintenance funding;
 - c. Increase of 1.0% in the AISI allocation;
 - d. A projected enrolment of 79,034 which represents a decrease of 579 as compared to 2008-2009
3. Distribution of resources:
 - a. \$604.0 million directed to schools
 - b. \$62.0 million directed to central decision units
 - c. \$108.0 million encumbered for District level expenditures
4. Schools' and Central Decision Units' plans will reflect our district's commitment to:
 - a. Ensuring the best education possible for the children of Edmonton,
 - b. Making our workplace healthy and safe,
 - c. Cooperation and collaboration,
 - d. Responsible financial management
5. Schools' and Central Decision Units' plans will address the following Board priorities:
 - a. To ensure every student is successful in their program of study, with emphasis on literacy and numeracy.
 - b. To instill in each student the attributes of citizenship and good character in a learning environment that promotes health, well-being and positive relationships.
 - c. To provide a collaborative, healthy and innovative workplace that recognizes individual contributions and supports opportunities for growth and professional development.
6. Schools' and Central Decision Units' plans will emphasize the following areas identified by the administration:
 - a. Support for aboriginal students,
 - b. Support for English Language Learners,
 - c. Support for students who are deemed to be at risk,
 - d. Physical Activity and nutritional health.
7. A major initiative in the proposed 2009-2010 budget includes the adoption of service delivery hours for services provided by Consulting Services to ensure schools have timely access to professional development and programming supports

Process and Timeline for the Board Review of the Proposed 2009-2010 Budget

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| May 22, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trustees are provided copies of proposed 2009-2010 budgets and plans for the central departments that trustees will be reviewing on May 27, 2009.• Trustees are provided copies of proposed 2009-2010 budgets and plans for the schools that trustees will be reviewing May 28, 2009. |
| May 26, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superintendent introduces proposed budget to Board. |
| May 27, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Central Services Board Subcommittee meetings |
| May 28, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Board Subcommittee meetings |
| May 28, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trustees are provided copies of proposed 2009-2010 budgets and plans for the schools that trustees will be reviewing June 5, 2009. |
| June 5, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Board Subcommittee meetings |
| June 5, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trustees are provided Budget Summaries binders, containing 2009-2010 school and central plans and the 2009-2010 operating budget. |
| June 9, 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Superintendent presents recommended proposed 2009-2010 budget to board.• Trustees are provided with the opportunity to comment on the subcommittee process, share perspectives regarding the reviews of school and central decision unit plans, and identify trends they have noted.• Principals and central decision unit administrators will be present to respond to trustee questions arising from the subcommittee process for the 2009-2010 planning documents.• Trustees may present notices of motion regarding the recommended budget. Trustee motions are considered additive unless otherwise stated.• Consideration of trustee motions.• Trustees vote on recommendation of the proposed 2009-2010 budget. |