

- Board Meeting #12 -

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, April 25, 2000 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 Dossdall
Angus McBeath
Gary Reynolds

Diana Bolan
Mary-Lou Cleveland
Audrey Gardiner
Jennifer Lawley

Pat Semeniuk
Betty Tams
Fran Yeske

Chairman: G. Nicholson

Secretary: A. Sherwood

Representatives:

Edmonton Public Teachers – P. McNab

A. O Canada

Students from Lymburn School sang O Canada as well as the song *New Day in the Morning*.

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

Mrs. Sherwood advised that all trustees were present.

C. Communications from the Board Chairman

The chairman noted that there had been article in the Edmonton Journal regarding Edmonton-based environmentalist, Brian Staszewski, who has been named a Time Magazine "Hero of the Planet". Mr. Staszewski is the founder and program co-ordinator of Destination Conservation which has directed environmental retrofits at some 2,700 schools across Canada. The program started in Edmonton in 1987 and has now spread across North America, with pilot programs beginning in a number of U.S. states. In Alberta, the program is funded by corporations through a revolving fund. Trustees may recall the retrofit

approved by board for W.P. Wagner. The energy savings from the retrofit is being used to pay for the retrofit.

A letter will be prepared for the chairman's signature to Mr. Staszenski.

D. Communications from the Superintendent – None.

E. Minutes:

1. Board Meeting #11 – April 11, 2000
2. Board Meeting – April 17, 2000
3. Board Meeting – April 18, 2000

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

**“That the minutes of Board Meeting #11 held March 21, 2000 and the board meetings held April 17 and 18, 2000 be approved as printed.”
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

F. Focus on Student Achievement:

4. Balance and Diversity at Lymburn School

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

“That the report entitled ‘Balance and Diversity at Lymburn School’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Reports:

Trustee Hansen left at this point in the meeting.

5. Report #14 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held April 18, 2000)

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

- “1. That report #14 of the conference committee from the meeting held April 18, 2000 be received and considered.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Hansen was absent for this vote.

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

- “2. That the designation of Paulette Kernaghan as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.**
- 3. That the designation of Paul Gish as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.**

4. That the designation of Bill Godfrey as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
5. That the designation of Elaine Ford as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
6. That the designation of Sherri O’Keefe as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
7. That the designation of Ken Spillett as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
8. That the designation of Barbara Jonsson as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
9. That the designation of Susan Laudenklos as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
10. That the designation of Barbara Bryson as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
11. That the designation of Lori Price-Wagner as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
12. That the designation of Sandee Lowe as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
13. That the designation of Mary Butlin as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
14. That the designation of Loran Radchenko as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.
15. That the designation of Katherine Goudreau as principal to the district, effective September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2001, be confirmed.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Trustee Hansen was absent for this vote.

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

- “16. That the appointment of Carol Suddards as Director for the 2000-2001 school year be confirmed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

Trustee Hansen was absent for this vote.

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

**“17. That the submission to the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) “School Fees and Fundraising Discussion Paper” be confirmed.”
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

Trustee Hansen was absent for this vote.

Trustee Hansen returned at this point in the meeting.

6. Motion Regarding Bill 11

MOVED BY Trustee Sulyma:

“That the chairman of the board write a letter to the Premier, the Minister of Health, the Associate Minister of Health and Wellness, and the Minister of Learning indicating our concern over Bill 11.”

The chairman called the question.

IN FAVOUR: Trustees Dean, Fleming, Gibeault, Melnychuk, Sulyma and Williams

OPPOSED: Trustee Bonko, Hansen and Nicholson

The Motion was CARRIED.

7. Definition of a School CCE.BP

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That Board Policy CCE.BP ‘Definition of a School’ be revised.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

8. District Technology Standards and Specifications

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

“That board policy, District Technology, KA.BP, be approved.”

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

9. Issues for the 2000 ASBA Fall General Meeting

MOVED BY Trustee Dean:

- “1. That the submission of the following issue to the Alberta School Boards Association for consideration at the 2000 Fall General Meeting, be approved:**

Funding for the Student Health Initiative should be increased to the level that will enable all students with special needs to have access to the health and related support services that they require.

- 2. That the following recommendations for amendments to ASBA policies be approved:**

- 3.L.01** Delete *‘their Regional Children and Family Service Authorities’* and insert *‘local boards, agencies and other providers of health and related services’* in paragraph 2 so that 3.L.01 reads:

The Alberta School Boards Association believes that school boards should collaborate with *local boards, agencies and other providers of health and related services* in the implementation of the coordination of services to children at the school level.

- 4.D.01** Add an additional sentence: *And, advocate that such services be provided in a manner that is supportive of educational services.* So that 4.D.01 reads:

‘Advocate that all medical and social services required to support children in school settings be funded by government agencies other than the school systems. And, advocate that such services be provided in a manner that is supportive of educational services.’

- 8.L.04** Add an additional statement to the second paragraph by placing a colon and sub-section *(a)* after ‘should’, add a semi-colon ; *and* after ‘ensure continuous scope and sequence of the courses’ statement, and add statement *‘(b) reflect an academic and a mid-stream set of courses.’* so that the second paragraph of 8.L.04 reads:

The Alberta School Boards Association believes that high school programs of studies should:

- (a)** ensure continuous scope and sequence of courses; *and*
(b) *reflect an academic and mid-stream set of courses.*

3. That a recommendation to the ASBA that the following ASBA policy be deleted be approved.

4.D.03 The Association shall advocate that if government passes Year 2000 immunity legislation, the description of 'government bodies' be broad enough to include school boards or, alternatively, to specify school boards as a body covered by the proposed immunity legislation.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

10. Balanced Literacy Research Project

MOVED BY Trustee Fleming:

"That the report entitled 'Balanced Literacy Research Project' be received for information." (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

11. District Review of the Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Surveys

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

"That the report entitled 'District Review of the Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Surveys' be received for information."

Trustees Gibeault and Sulyma believed the comment section should be retained in the surveys.

Trustee Melnychuk believed, in the absence of a comment section, that there should be an avenue provided to the parent survey respondents to direct other district-level concerns to the superintendent or board of trustees' office.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

12. 2000 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey and Community Survey

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

"That the report entitled '2000 Student-Parent-Staff Satisfaction Survey and Community Survey' be received for information."

Trustee Gibeault expressed concerns with the examples given in questions 40 and 41.

Trustee Melnychuk expressed concern about question 23 regarding the examples given of the types of schools.

The chairman called the question.

The Motion was UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

13. Second Quarterly Report: December 1, 1999 to February 29, 2000

MOVED BY Trustee Bonko:

“That the report entitled ‘Second Quarterly Report: December 1, 1999 to February 29, 2000’ be received for information.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

14. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

MOVED BY Trustee Gibeault:

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

H. Committee and Board Representative Reports

•Community Relations Activities

Trustee Dean noted that she had been contacted by the ASBA and asked to serve as a representative on the Special Education Review Task Force – which she accepted.

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

J. Trustee and Board Requests for Information – None.

K. Notices of Motion – None.

L. Meeting Dates:

DATE	MEETING	COMMENCEMENT TIME
Tuesday, May 9, 2000	Public Board	6:00 p.m.

M. Adjournment: (8:05 p.m.)

The chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Chairman

Secretary