



EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS



Summary of the Organizational Board Meeting Held Tuesday, November 2, 2010

A. O Canada: (7:30 p.m.)

B. Call to Order by the Incumbent Board Vice-Chair

- a) All Trustees were present.
- b) The Incumbent Vice-Chair noted that the board meeting was being webcast live.
- c) The Incumbent Vice-Chair advised that, because Remembrance Day will occur before the next board meeting on November 16th, Trustees were wearing a poppy. She also advised that there will be no Board Remembrance Day ceremony this year involving Vimy Ridge Academy; however Trustees will be attending Remembrance Day ceremonies at schools and in the community the week of November 11th.

C. Reading of the Declaration of Election Results

1. Declaration of Election Results

- a) Received for information.
- b) The following Trustees were elected for the ensuing three years:

Ward A – Cheryl Johner
Ward B – Ken Shipka
Ward C – Christopher Spencer
Ward D – David Colburn
Ward E – Heather MacKenzie
Ward F – Michael Janz
Ward G – Sarah Hoffman
Ward H – Catherine Ripley
Ward I – Leslie Cleary

D. Receipt of Oaths of Office

All Oaths of Office were received.

E. Reports:

2. Report #17 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held September 22, 2010)

Approved recommendation.

3. Public School Boards Association of Alberta Fall General Meeting

Approved recommendation.

4. Confirmation of Committees, Board Representation and Regular Meetings

a) Approved recommendation.

b) See attached chart for 2010-2011 Board committees.

F. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives

1. Former Trustee Gibeault congratulated the new Board of Trustees and wished them every success in the next three years.
2. Mr. Ed Butler, President Edmonton Public Teachers, commended the members of the Board of Trustees and looks forward to continuing the collaborative work between the Board and Edmonton Public Teachers.

G. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

1. Trustee Janz requested the following:

Provide information regarding the feasibility of a three-year pilot project to conduct exit interviews with students who leave high school prematurely at various sites in the 2011 year to attain better first-hand information as to why these students are choosing not to complete their education.

2. Trustee Johner advised that she and Trustees Cleary and Ripley attended a parental engagement meeting for the Africa Centre located at Kensington School on Saturday, October 30, 2010. She commended the staff for a well organized and well attended event.
3. Trustee Ripley requested the following:

Provide information on the safety of WiFi installations in schools.

H. Notices of Motion

1. Trustee Janz served notice of the following motion:

That the Board reaffirm its commitment to discussions with the provincial and municipal government regarding all possibilities related to space including school closures, school viability and community buildings.
2. Trustee Colburn served notice of the following motion:

That the Board establish a task force to review and make recommendations on special needs education in order to enhance the education and outcomes for all special needs students. The terms of reference would be developed by the task force and approved by the Board.

Trustee Ripley requested the following information regarding the notice of motion regarding the establishment of a special needs task force:

Provide information regarding what is currently happening in the District with respect to special needs.

I. Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

J. Duration of Meeting: 7:30 p.m. to 8:25 p.m.



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Committees of the Board and Representatives on Committees for 2010-2011

Standing Committees of the Whole	
Board Chair	David Colburn
Board Vice-Chair	Sarah Hoffman
Conference Committee & Audit Committee Chair	Michael Janz
Standing Committees	
Evaluation of Superintendent of Schools	Leslie Cleary Sarah Hoffman Ken Shipka
District Priorities	Michael Janz Heather MacKenzie Catherine Ripley
Board Evaluation	Heather MacKenzie Ken Shipka Christopher Spencer
Advocacy	David Colburn Cheryl Johner Christopher Spencer
Policy Review	Leslie Cleary Michael Janz Catherine Ripley
Budget Review and Results Review Committees	All Trustees serve on budget and results review committees as determined in the approval of the budget and results processes.
Interpretations Committees	All Trustees serve on interpretations committees on a rotational basis.
Negotiations	
Teaching Staff (<i>contract expires Aug. 31/2012</i>)	Leslie Cleary Michael Janz
Custodial Staff (<i>contract expires Aug. 31/2011</i>)	Sarah Hoffman Heather MacKenzie
Maintenance Staff (<i>contract expires Aug. 31/2011</i>)	Cheryl Johner Christopher Spencer
Support Staff (<i>contract expires Aug. 31/2011</i>)	Catherine Ripley Ken Shipka

Edmonton Public Schools Foundation Board of Directors	
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Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	
Provincial Executive <i>(Trustee Colburn commenced an 18-month term which will expire November 2011)</i>	David Colburn
Provincial Executive – Alternate <i>(18-month term will expire November 2011)</i>	Cheryl Johner
ASBA Zone 23 Executive	Cheryl Johner
ASBA Zone 23 Executive – Alternate	Ken Shipka
ASBA Issues and Resolution Committee <i>1 Board Chair or Vice-Chair</i> <i>2 ASBA Zone 23 Executive representative</i> <i>3 ASBA Provincial Executive Board of Directors Representative</i>	¹ Sarah Hoffman ² Cheryl Johner ³ David Colburn
ASBA for Languages Education (ASBALE)	Leslie Cleary
Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA)	
Liaison – Public School Boards Council (PSBC)	Christopher Spencer
PSBC – Alternate	Cheryl Johner
Capital Region Services to Children Linkages Committee	
Capital Region Services to Children Linkages Committee	Heather MacKenzie
Capital Region Services to Children Linkages Committee – Alternate	Leslie Cleary