



EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board Meeting #2 Held Tuesday, November 7, 2006

A. Roll Call: (6:00 p.m.) – All trustees were present.

B. O Canada: O Canada DVD

C. Remembrance Ceremony

1. L'Académie Vimy Ridge Academy Remembrance Ceremony

Received for information.

D. Communications from the Board Chair – None.

E. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools – None.

F. Minutes:

2. Board Meeting #16 – October 10, 2006

Approved with amendment on page 5.

3. Organizational Board Meeting – October 24, 2006

Approved with amendment on page 7.

G. Focus on Student Achievement:

4. Deepening Literacy Instruction – AISI Project Update

a) Received for information.

b) Trustee Gibson requested that a copy of the Focus on Student Achievement PowerPoint presentation be provided to trustees.

H. Reports:

5. Report #1 of the Conference Committee (From the Meeting Held October 31, 2006)
 - a) Recommendation #2 regarding the Aspen View Regional School Division legal challenge was deferred to the November 28, 2006 board meeting.
 - b) Confirmed amendment to the trustee electoral ward design criteria.
6. Motion re Elimination of the Sale of Junk Food
 - a) Dr. Angele Beaudoin urged the board to approve the recommendation and eliminate the sale of junk food for all district schools.
 - b) Mr. Jerry Hanna urged the board to develop a comprehensive healthy school community plan. He provided written information for the board's consideration.
 - c) The report was deferred until such time as the administration is able to determine the extent of the problem of junk food in the district and to consult with community to obtain their views.
 - d) Trustee Esslinger requested that the report provide information on developing a comprehensive school health policy looking at such items as curriculum, fundraising, portion size and the importance of water.
7. Motion re Infrastructure and Funding Issues Arising from Sustainability Reviews

Approved recommendation.
8. Curriculum Additions and Deletions – Locally Developed Courses

Approved recommendation.
9. Funds for 2007-2008 Professional Improvement Program

Approved recommendation.
10. Name for New High School in South West Edmonton

Approved recommendation.

11. Request for Emergent Capital Funding for Lease Payments for Major General Griesbach School

Approved recommendation.

12. School Closure Policy

a) Approved recommendation.

b) Update on-line Policy and Regulations Manual.

13. Student Transportation Services Update

Received for information.

14. International Baccalaureate Examination Results: May 2006

15. Alberta Education Diploma Examination Results

16. Highest Level of Achievement Test Results: June 2006

17. 2006 Provincial Achievement Test Results

Reports 14 to 17 were deferred to the November 28, 2006 board meeting.

18. Responses to Trustee Requests for Information

Received for information.

I. Committee and Board Representative Reports

• Community Relations Activities

1. Trustee Keiver advised that she had attended the Alberta School Resource Officer safety conference yesterday and today. She noted a number of the district's SROs, principals and staff were also in attendance.
2. Trustee Hansen advised that he had represented the board at Avonmore School where former NASA astronaut Joe Edwards and Minister of Education Gene Zwozdesky were in attendance in honour of Science and Technology week in Alberta.
3. Trustee Nicholson advised that he and Trustee Williams had attended the Edmonton Historical Society event at McCauley School on Thursday at which the school was presented with a plaque as an historical site.
4. Trustee Esslinger advised that she had represented the board at CUPE Local 474's retirement banquet on October 28th.
5. Trustee Esslinger advised that she and the superintendent had attended a meeting in

Calgary with the Minister of Education and other school board chairs and superintendents.

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

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Colburn requested that the administration provide the progress report on school health initiatives mentioned in the November 29, 2005 board report “Promoting Healthy Lifestyles for Edmonton Public School Students” as soon as possible.

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2006 at 6:00 p.m.

N. Duration of Meeting: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.