



**Summary of the Organizational Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 9, 2008**

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

B. Roll Call: All trustees were present.

C. Communications from the Board Chair – None.

D. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools

1. The superintendent advised that he had met with school-based and central leaders to kick off the school year. District staff are committed to addressing the board's priorities and he anticipates good progress this year.
2. The superintendent advised that yesterday and today he attended a network building session in Calgary hosted by the Norlien Foundation for various sectors and front-line practitioners in the field of mental health who are working towards integrated mental health services for children and families. The focus is on science and research related to mental health and how this can directly impact policy and practice. This work ties into the board's priorities related to success for all students.

E. Reports:

1. Delegation of Authority – Superintendent of Schools – 2008 Summer Recess
Received for information.
2. Report #14 of the Conference Committee (From the Meetings Held June 10, 24 and September 2, 2008)
Approved recommendations.

3. Confirmation of Committees, Board Representation and Regular Meetings

- a) Approved recommendations 1-9 with the following amendment to Recommendation 2d): *That the Purpose of the Community Relations Committee be amended so that the requirement for one member of the committee to be the Board Chair be deleted as well as references to intergovernmental relations and levels of government.*
- b) See attached chart.

F. Committee, Board Representative and Trustee Reports – None.

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

H. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

1. Trustee Huff requested that information be provided regarding the range and average fee per student charged to parents excluding transportation costs broken down by elementary, junior high and senior high and the total cost this represents across the district.
2. Trustee Huff asked what the impact will be on the schools in central Edmonton if the development of the Municipal Airport goes ahead.

I. Notices of Motion

Trustee Gibeault served notice of the following motion:

That the Board Meeting scheduled for October 14, 2008 be changed to the next day, Wednesday, October 15, 2008 in light of the federal election.

This item will be discussed at the September 23, 2008 Board Meeting.

J. Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

K. Duration of Meeting: 7:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.



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Committees of the Board and Representatives on Committees for 2008-2009

BOARD CHAIR	- Bev Esslinger
BOARD VICE-CHAIR	- Catherine Ripley
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE & AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR	- George Rice
Representatives on Other Standing Committees	
Evaluation of Superintendent of Schools	Don Fleming Catherine Ripley Ken Shipka
District Priorities	Bev Esslinger Gerry Gibeault George Rice
Board Evaluation	Don Fleming Ken Gibson Sue Huff
Community Relations	David Colburn George Rice Catherine Ripley
Government Relations <i>*includes Board Chair</i>	*Bev Esslinger Ken Gibson Sue Huff
Planning and Policy	Don Fleming Gerry Gibeault Ken Shipka
Budget Review and Results Review Committees	All trustees serve on budget and results review committees as determined in the approval of the budget process.
Interpretations Committees	All trustees serve on interpretations committees on a rotational basis.
Representatives on Ad Hoc Committees:	
Ad Hoc Committee to Review the School Closure and Sustainability Review Processes	Sue Huff George Rice Catherine Ripley
Representatives on Task Forces:	
Multi-Cultural Task Force	David Colburn Bev Esslinger Ken Shipka

Ad Hoc Assignments – Negotiations:	
Teaching Staff <i>(contract expires Aug. 31/2012)</i>	n/a
Custodial Staff <i>(contract expires Aug. 31/2011)</i>	n/a
Maintenance Staff <i>(contract expires Aug. 31/2011)</i>	n/a
Support Staff <i>(contract expires Aug. 31/2011)</i>	n/a
Representatives to Other Agencies:	
Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)	
Provincial Executive <i>(18-month term commences November 2008 and expires June 2010)</i>	Bev Esslinger
Provincial Executive – Alternate <i>(18-month term commences November 2008 and expires June 2010)</i>	David Colburn
ASBA Zone 23 Executive	Don Fleming
ASBA Zone 23 Executive – Alternate	Sue Huff
ASBA Issues and Resolution Committee	Bev Esslinger Don Fleming Catherine Ripley
ASBA for Languages Education (ASBALE)	Ken Shipka
Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA)	
Provincial Executive <i>(Trustee Fleming was elected President at PSBAA at 2007 Fall General Meeting. Term expires November 2009.)</i>	Don Fleming
Liaison – Public School Boards Council (PSBC)	George Rice
PSBC – Alternate	David Colburn
Other:	
Capital Region Services to Children Linkages Committee	Ken Gibson
Capital Region Services to Children Linkages Committee – Alternate	Sue Huff