

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

September 9, 2008

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Trustee K. Gibson, Conference Committee Chair

SUBJECT: Report #14 of the Conference Committee (From the Meetings Held June 10, 24 and September 2, 2008)

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Report #14 of the Conference Committee from the meetings held June 10, 24 and September 2, 2008 be received and considered.

Designation of Principals

2. That the designation of Patricia Kolotyluk as principal to the District, effective September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2010 be confirmed.
3. That the designation of Duncan McColl as principal to the District, effective September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2010 be confirmed.
4. That the designation of Jody Lundell as principal to the District, effective September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2010 be confirmed.
5. That the designation of Andrew Lummis as principal to the District, effective September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2010 be confirmed.

Confirmation of Principal Designations

6. That the following principal designations to the district effective September 1, 2008 be confirmed:

Shane Dzivinski
Karen Kincaid

Terms of Reference for the Government Relations Committee

7. That the recommended terms of reference (APPENDIX I) for the Government Relations Committee be approved.

Per Diem for Community Relations Committee Members

8. That the granting of four per diems for members of the Community Relations Committee in light of the additional work of this committee be approved.

Edmonton Regional Learning Consortium Board - Election

9. That board support of Ms Maureen Wilcox to serve as the ASBA trustee representative on the Edmonton Regional Learning Consortium Board of Directors be confirmed.

Municipal Government Act

10. That board support for a joint letter from the Metro Boards to the Minister of Education regarding the *Municipal Government Act* be confirmed.

Central Administrative Appointment

11. That the appointment of Dean Power to the position of Assistant Superintendent effective September 1, 2008 be confirmed.

Proposed Changes in Superintendent's Salary

12. That the salary for the Superintendent be increased on September 1st of the years 2008 through 2009 by the Average Weekly Wage Earnings index in Alberta from the previous calendar year.

Accordingly, the increases shall be as follows:

September 1, 2008 Average Weekly Earnings Index increase in Alberta from previous calendar year (i.e., January 1st to December 31st 2007 over the same period in 2006).

September 1, 2009 Average Weekly Earnings Index increase in Alberta from previous calendar year (i.e., January 1st to December 31st 2008 over the same period in 2007).

Proposed Changes in Trustee Remuneration

13. That the proposed increases to trustee remuneration schedules and per diem rates for September 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009 as approved at the May 8, 2007 Board Meeting be rescinded; and

That the per annum and per diem honoraria be increased on September 1st of the years 2008 through 2010, by the Average Weekly Wage Earnings index in Alberta from the previous calendar year.

Accordingly, the increases shall be as follows:

September 1, 2008 Average Weekly Earnings Index increase in Alberta from previous calendar year (i.e., January 1st to December 31st 2007 over the same period in 2006).

September 1, 2009 Average Weekly Earnings Index increase in Alberta from previous calendar year (i.e., January 1st to December 31st 2008 over the same period in 2007).

September 1, 2010 Average Weekly Earnings Index increase in Alberta from previous calendar year (i.e., January 1st to December 31st 2009 over the same period in 2008).

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Terms of Reference Government Relations Committee

Purpose

The Government Relations Committee consists of three Trustees (one of whom is the Board Chair) who are responsible for assisting the Board of Trustees in developing and carrying out a strategic plan for intergovernmental relations as a way of furthering district and board priorities.

Terms of Reference

The Board recognizes that it needs support for public education; that the Board's objectives can be furthered through advocacy across ministries and with other levels of governments and the influence of public policy through other organizations (PSBA, ASBA, metro caucus, Linkages). Effective advocacy depends upon positive relationships with other organizations; that building positive intergovernmental relationships is ongoing.

The Government Relations Committee will:

- In conjunction with the Board's Strategic Plan, review, confirm and develop strategic actions for advocacy/influence that can be realized through positive government relations activities.
- In response to emergent issues, recommend strategic actions for the Board to undertake.
- Monitor and review the Board's strategic government relations plan mid-year or as required and report to the Conference Committee. The Board Chair, by virtue of the office, plays a crucial role in keeping the Conference Committee apprised of government relations opportunities extended to the Board.