



**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD AT THE EDUCATION CENTRE
2651 CHINOOK WINDS DRIVE S. W.
AIRDRIE, ALBERTA**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2009

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Chair, Ward 3	Sylvia Eggerer
Vice-Chair, Ward 1	Jennifer Avery
Ward 2	Bev LaPeare
Ward 4	Helen Clease
Ward 5	Colleen Munro
Ward 6	Dr. Bruce Pettigrew
Ward 7	Don Thomas

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools	Greg Bass
Associate Superintendent of Business and Operations	Darrell Couture
Associate Superintendent of Learning	Dr. David Peat
Associate Superintendent of Schools	Murray Besenski
Associate Superintendent of Human Resources	Susan Williams
Director of Communications	Angela Spanier
Executive Assistant	Karen Dolynny

RECORDING SECRETARY:

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Sylvia Eggerer called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Chair Sylvia Eggerer welcomed the Administrative Leadership Program attendees to the Board meeting as visitors.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA:

#257 – 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the December 3, 2009, Regular Board meeting agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING:

#258 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of November 5, 2009, as presented.

CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2008/2009 Audited Financial Statement

#259 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board of Trustees accepts the 2008/2009 Audited Financial Statement as presented.

CARRIED

2008/2009 Annual Education Results Report

#260 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the 2008/2009 Annual Education Results Report as presented and directs administration to forward the report to Alberta Education.

CARRIED

Revisions to July 2009 RVS Portable Planning

#261 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the relocation of two of the portable classrooms attached to the northeast corner of Chestermere High School to Prince of Peace Lutheran School.

CARRIED

2009/2010 Budget Adjustments

#262 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Board of Trustees approves the amended 2009/2010 Budget.

CARRIED

Advocacy Committee Terms of Reference

#263 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the Advocacy Committee's Terms of Reference as presented.

Friendly amendment by Trustee Thomas to remove the date and time of the meetings from the Terms of Reference.

Trustee Helen Clease agreed the amendment was friendly.

Voting on Motion #263 as amended.

CARRIED

#264 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JENNIFER AVERY:

That the Board of Trustees directs the members of the Advocacy Committee to develop a process for meeting with Rocky View Schools' Municipal partners.

CARRIED

Professional Development Leave Committee Terms of Reference

#265 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the Professional Development Leave Committee's Terms of References as presented.

Friendly amendment by Trustee Jennifer Avery to change the ATA Local #41 to ATA Local #35.

Trustee Bev LaPeare agreed the amendment was friendly.

Voting on Motion #265 as amended.

CARRIED

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Chair Sylvia Eggerer read a letter from Jack Hayden, Minister of Alberta Infrastructure, to Truper McBride, Mayor of Cochrane, concurring with the meeting request to examine strategies to implement the municipality's design guidelines without having to increase school budget requirements.

Chair Sylvia Eggerer noted correspondence around *Speak Out-Alberta Student Engagement Initiative* visit: <http://www.speakout.alberta.ca>.

Board Chair Sylvia Eggerer and Superintendent Greg Bass met with Minister Dave Hancock along with Zone 5 Board Chairs and Superintendents, on Wednesday, November 25, 2009, regarding budgeting for 2010-2011.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sylvia Eggerer:

- October 15 – Attended Board Planning and Regular Board meetings
- October 16 – Attended Political Advocacy Committee meeting
- October 16 – Attended Long Service Awards Banquet
- October 18–20 – Attended the Inspiring Education Forum in Edmonton
- October 22-24 – Attended PSBA (Public School Board Association) Fall General Meeting and Conference
- October 23 – Attended the Governor Lois E Hole Annual Lecture by Dr. Emery Dosdall
- October 24 – Attended Plus 55 Summer Games Wrap Up Dinner
- October 27 – Attended Policy Development Committee meeting
- October 27 – Attended Minister Hancock Conference Call – P3
- October 28 – Attended Edwards School Council meeting

- October 30 – Attended Memorial Service for RVS student
- November 3 – Attended Ralph McCall School Council meeting
- November 4 – Attended Recreation Board meeting at Balzac Hall
- November 5 – Attended Board Planning Committee Meeting and Regular Board meetings
- November 6 – Attended Zone 5 ASBA, MELRA Awards
- November 10 – Attended Remembrance Day Ceremony at George McDougall High School
- November 10 – Attended Ecole Airdrie Middle School Council meeting – first meeting held in the evening from the afternoon
- November 12 – Attended Political Advocacy Committee meeting
- November 12 – Attended Agenda Planning for Joint Board School Council meeting
- November 17 – Attended Policy Development Committee meeting
- November 17 – Attended George McDougall School Council meeting
- November 18 – Attended Bert Church School Council meeting
- November 19 – Attended Board Planning and Joint Board School Council Dinner meeting
- November 22 – 24 - Attended Alberta School Boards Association Fall General meeting in Edmonton
- November 25 – Attended meeting with Minister Dave Hancock regarding budgeting for 2010 -2011
- November 25 - Attended RVAA/RVAE Learning Institute, Banff
- November 30 – Attended RVS Football Banquet and brought greetings from the Board
- December 2 – Attended Muriel Clayton Middle School's "I Can" Assembly – recognition of Leadership and school food drive
- December 2 – Attended Edward's School Council meeting
- December 3 - Attended Board Planning Committee and Regular Board meetings

Colleen Munro:

- November 5 – Attended Board Planning Committee Meeting and Regular Board meetings
- November 5 – Attended Garfield Weston awards honouring Cochrane High School achievement
- November 12 – Attended Bearspaw Recreation Board meeting
- November 13 – Attended Westbrook School Council meeting
- November 17 – Attended Benefits Committee meeting
- November 18 – Attended Bearspaw School Council meeting
- November 19 – Attended Board Planning Committee and Regular Board meetings
- November 19 – Attended Joint Board/School Council meeting
- November 22-24 – Attended Alberta School Boards Association Fall General meeting in Edmonton
- November 25 – Attended Cochrane High School Steering Committee meeting
- November 25-27 - Attended RVAA/RVAE Learning Institute, Banff
- December 2 – Attended Budget and Allocation Committee meeting
- December 2 – Attended Recreation Board Information Session
- December 3 - Attended Board Planning Committee and Regular Board meetings
- December 3 – Attended Board Municipal Partners Reception
- Read a letter from Cochrane High School thanking the Board for it's Scholarship

Helen Clease Reported:

- November 6 – Attended Zone 5 ASBA, MELRA Awards
- November 10 – Attended Springbank Community High School Remembrance Day Ceremony
- November 11 - Participated in a conference call with ASBA, AGM Speaker Ian Hill
- November 12 – Attended Advocacy Committee meeting and Joint Board/School Council Planning meeting
- November 17 – Attended Benefits Committee meeting
- November 18 – Attended Springbank Park for All Seasons (SPFAS) Torch Relay meeting
- November 18 – Attended Springbank School Council Meeting
- November 19 – Attended Board Planning meeting and Joint Board/School Council meeting
- November 21 – Attended Bragg Creek Community Association Volunteer Appreciation Function
- November 22 – Attended Edwin Parr Awards at the Alberta School Boards Association Fall General Meeting (ASBA) (FGM)
- November 22 – 24 Attended the Alberta School Boards Association Fall General Meeting
- November 25 – 27 – Attended RVAA/RVS Learning Institute
- December 1 - Attended Teacher Employment Advisory Committee (TEAC) meeting
- December 2 – Attended Elbow Valley Elementary School Council Meeting and SPFAS Torch Relay meeting
- December 3 – Attended Board Planning Committee and Regular Board meetings.
- December 3 – Attended Municipal Partners Reception

Bev LaPeare Reported:

- October 15 – Attended Board Planning and Regular Board meetings
- October 16 – Attended Retirement and Long Service Awards evening
- October 18–20 – Attended the Inspiring Education Forum in Edmonton
- October 21 – Attended three Student Expulsion Hearings
- October 21 – Attended Student Transportation meeting
- October 21 – Attended Prairie Waters Elementary School Council meeting
- October 22-24 – Attended PSBA (Public School Board Association) Fall General Meeting and Conference
- October 23 – Attended the Governor Lois E Hole Annual Lecture by Dr. Emery Dosdall
- October 26 – Attended two Student Expulsion Hearings
- October 27 – Attended the Olympic Torch Relay meeting at Chestermere Town Hall
- October 27 – Attended the Minister's Conference call regarding the new P3 schools that will be built. Ours is the Sarah Thompson School in Langdon
- October 28 – Attended the Inclement Weather and School Closure meeting at Chestermere Lake Middle School
- October 28 – Attended the Bow North Recreation Board meeting
- October 29 – Attended the Chestermere High School Band Concert
- October 30 – Attended Trickster Presentation at Rainbow Creek Elementary School
- October 30 – Attended the Indus Costume Parade
- November 2 – Attended 3 Student Expulsion Hearings
- November 3 – Attended playground meeting at Rainbow Creek school

- November 12 – Attended the Rainbow Creek School Council meeting
- November 17 – Attended the Chestermere High School Council meeting
- November 18 – Attended the Langdon School Council meeting
- November 18 – Attended the Chestermere Lake Middle School Council meeting
- November 19 – Attended Planning and Regular Board meeting
- November 19 – Attended Joint Board/School Council meeting
- November 20 – Attended the Prairie Waters school Council meeting
- November 22-24 – Attended ASBA (Alberta School Board's Association) FGM
- November 25- 27 – Attended the RVAA Leadership Institute
- December 1 – Attended the Interagency Luncheon at the Chestermere Town Hall
- December 2 – Did a Webinar about Strategies for Dealing with Human Rights Complaints
- December 2 – Attended the ACE Community session at Chestermere Town Hall
- December 2 – Attended the Recreation Board Information Session at the County Offices

BRUCE PETTIGREW:

- Looking forward to future budget recommendations from schools and School Councils
- Cochrane Steering Committee Report will be coming to the Board in January, 2010
- Read a thank you letter from a Board Award Recipient to the Board

BOARD PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Trustees Eggerer, Avery, LaPearle, Cleese, Munro and Pettigrew attended the RVAA/RVS Learning Institute, held from November 25-27 which was very well received by attendees.

IN - CAMERA:

#266 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees moves into in-camera at 3:58 p.m.

CARRIED

#267 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees moves out of in-camera at 4:29 p.m.

CARRIED

ITEMS FROM IN - CAMERA:

#268 – 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees approves the appointment of Lisa Winslow to the Audit Committee until December 31, 2012 and the appointment of Rick Turner to the Audit Committee until December 31, 2011 subject to the acceptance of their appointment by these individuals.

CARRIED

#269 – 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JENNIFER AVERY:

That the Board of Trustees approves the Addendum Agreement between Southland Transportation Ltd. and the Board.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

#270 - 09 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY-TREASURER