



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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

**TRUSTEES ABSENT WITH
NOTICE:**

Ward 2 Bev LaPeare

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

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

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Sylvia Eggerer called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA:

#15-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees approves the January 21, 2010, Regular Board meeting agenda as circulated with the following Superintendent Report addition:

- Policy Update

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING:

#16-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December January 7, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED

#17-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of January 14, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED

Rocky View School Division No. 41

Chair – Board of Trustees

EXEMPLARY PRACTICE: CANADIAN STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2009

Presenters: Bow Valley High Teacher - Dorothy Karlson
Student Co-Chairs: Ally Montgomery and Amy Barnett

Project/Program Description - From September 27 to October 3, Rocky View Schools' Bow Valley High School and Chinook's Edge Olds High School co-hosted the 25th Canadian Student Leadership Conference. The event brought together over 900 active student leaders and 200 teacher advisors from all across the country for a week of exciting and inspiring learning activities.

The five day conference, entitled "Lead the Stampede", offered students the opportunity to gain from the wisdom of keynote speakers such as motivational speaker Ian Tyson, author of Bite-Sized Wisdom, Tyler Durman, and Executive Director and Artist, Me to We Music, Louise Kent. Students' appreciation of the West's progression and cultural diversity also were enhanced as they participated in a variety of student leadership activities at various venues throughout central Alberta, including Canmore, Banff, Calgary, Cochrane, Olds and Red Deer.

The entire conference was planned around building skills such as project management, team work, citizenship, time management, communication, public relations and promotion. Organizers believe students who attended the conference departed home having embraced the legacy of leadership and manned with the tools to take affirmative action in building strong communities.

How did the conference help to demonstrate 21st Century Learning?

Each and every student and staff involved in the planning of this spectacular event has experienced and truly 'lived' each of the 10 strands of a 21st Century Learner – no small feat! They also have been able to put into practice the theory of leadership and learning.

How can the learning's from the conference be embedded into Rocky View's efforts to build student leaders?

Rocky View has always been a strong advocate for student leadership. It will be imperative that students continue to get these outstanding opportunities to fulfill their leadership capacities through practical and real life experiences. It is hoped that all high schools in the jurisdiction is involved in student leadership, beginning with student council and then at a higher level such as with a jurisdiction-wide leadership academy.

Board Chair Sylvia Eggerer called a recess at 1:39 p.m.

Board Chair Sylvia Eggerer reconvened the Regular Board meeting at 1:42 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Programs of Choice in Public Education

#18-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BRUCE PETTIGREW:

That the Board of Trustees confirms the provision of Alternative Programs on the basis outlined in Policy HGBH.

CARRIED

Programming for High School Students in Cochrane

#19-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BRUCE PETTIGREW:

That the Board of Trustees approves the Collaborative Model as presented and directs the Superintendent of Schools to proceed with implementation for the 2010-2011 school year.

Trustee Don Thomas proposed a friendly amendment to approve the collaborative model as a pilot for the 2010-2011 school year.

Trustee Bruce Pettigrew did not accept the amendment as friendly.

Trustee Don Thomas proposed to amend the motion to include the Superintendent report back to the Board in June, 2011.

Trustee Pettigrew agreed the amendment was friendly.

Voting on motion #19-10 as amended.

CARRIED

New Policy ECB Pesticide/Chemical Free School Grounds First Read

#20-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees approves First Read of amended policy ECB Pesticide/Chemical Free School Grounds as presented.

CARRIED

Amended Policy EBC Emergency Preparedness First Read

#21-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JENNIFER AVERY:

That the Board of Trustees approves First Read of amended policy EBC Emergency Preparedness as presented.

CARRIED

Amended Policy EBCB Fire Drills and Fire Protection

#22-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees table consideration of rescinding Policy EBCB to the February 4, 2010, Regular Board meeting.

CARRIED

Amended Policy DLD Honoraria and Expenses for Outside Personnel First Read

#23-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Board of Trustees approves First Read of amended policy DLD Honoraria and Expenses for Outside Personnel as presented.

CARRIED

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sylvia Eggerer:

- January 7 - Attended Regular and Planning Committee Board meetings
- January 7 – Attended RJ Hawkey School Council meeting
- January 12 – Attended Ecole Airdrie Middle School Council meeting
- January 13 – Attended Policy Development Committee meeting
- January 13 – Attended Meadowbrook Middle School Council meeting
- January 13 – Attended RJ Hawkey LENS Program presentation
- January 14 – Attended Advocacy Committee meeting
- January 14 – Attended a Board Agenda Planning meeting
- January 14 – Attended Special Board meeting
- January 15 – Attended meeting with Trustee J. Avery and Crossfield School Council Chair regarding Distributive Learning
- January 16 – Attended Meadowbrook Basketball Tournament
- January 19 – Attended the Olympic Torch Relay in Airdrie
- January 20 – Attended the Olympic Torch Relay in Springbank

Jennifer Avery:

- Torch Relay in Beiseker/Kathryn/Crossfield was well received with many participants.
- Thanks to all staff and students for their participation.

Bruce Pettigrew:

- Torch relay in Cochrane was well attended and a tremendous success
- Invited to represent the Cochrane schools for a newly created Performing Arts Centre in Cochrane

Helen Clease:

- January 6 – Attended Springbank Park for all Seasons Torch Relay meeting
- January 7 – Attended Regular and Planning Committee Board meetings
- January 8 – Attended Zone 5 ASBA
- January 9 – Attended MLA Rob Anderson meeting
- January 11 - Attended Banded Peak School Council meeting
- January 11- Attended Professional Development Leave Committee meeting
- January 13 – Attended Springbank Park for all Seasons Torch relay meeting
- January 13 – Attended Springbank Middle School Council meeting
- January 14 – Attended Advocacy Committee meeting
- January 14 – Attended Special Board Meeting
- January 15 – Participated in an Olympic Torch relay work bee
- January 17 - Participated in an Olympic Torch relay sorting and distributing toques
- January 18 – Attended Olympic Torch Relay meeting
- January 20 – Attended the Olympic Torch Relay in Springbank which was very well received and thanks to the Superintendent, Trustees and Rocky for their participation. Community support tremendous.
- January 20 – Attended Springbank Community High School Council meeting
- January 21 – Attended Planning and Regular Board meetings

New Business:

Support Staff Professional Learning Day

#24-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of \$500.00 for the Support Staff Professional Learning Day being held on February 17, 2010.

IN - CAMERA:

#25-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees moves into in-camera at 3:45 p.m.

CARRIED

#26-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE :

That the Board of Trustees moves out of in-camera at 4:19 p.m.

CARRIED

#27-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Human Resources Report for January, 2010, be accepted as presented, for information purposes.

CARRIED

#28-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Financial Report for January, 2010, Financial Projections be accepted as presented, for information purposes.

CARRIED

#29-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE JENNIFER AVERY:

That the Student Suspension/Expulsion Report for December, 2009, be accepted as presented, for information purposes.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

#30-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY-TREASURER