



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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2010

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Superintendent of Schools	Greg Bass
Associate Superintendent of Business & Operations	Darrell Couture
Director of Communications	Angela Spanier

RECORDING SECRETARY

Executive Assistant Karen Dolynny

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Bruce Pettigrew called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA:

#241 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the November 4, 2010, Regular Board meeting agenda with the following additions under New Business:

- Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA)
- Public School Boards Association of Alberta (PSBAA)

CARRIED

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING:

#242-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEAERE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 7, 2010, with the following amendment:

- Motion #219 was made by Trustee Don Thomas

CARRIED

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT: RVAS PAT/DIPLOMA RESULTS 2009/2010

#243 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees receives as information Rocky View Schools' Accountability Progress Report on 2009-10 Provincial Testing Results.

CARRIED

Rocky View School Division No. 41

Chair – Board of Trustees

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT: RVS DISTINCT PROGRAMS

#244 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE COLLEEN MUNRO:

That the Board of Trustees receives as information Rocky View's Accountability Progress Report concerning Distinct Programs, specifically the progress on expanding the access to 21c Learning Strategies and English as a Second Language (ESL).

CARRIED

STUDENT ENROLMENT – SEPTEMBER 30, 2010

#245 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees receives the 2010 – 2011 enrolment analysis as information.

CARRIED

RVS 2011 2014 THREE YEAR PLAN PROCESS

#246 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees approves RVS 2010/2011 Three Year Planning Process as presented.

Trustee Sylvia Eggerer proposed a friendly amendment:

That the Board of Trustees approves the RVS 2011/2014 Three Year Planning Process as presented.

Trustee Cleave agreed the amendment was friendly.

Voting on Motion #244 as amended:

CARRIED

Board Chair Bruce Pettigrew called a recess at 4:10 p.m.

Board Chair Bruce Pettigrew reconvened the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

DEL F: DIPLÔME D'ÉTUDE EN LANGUE FRANÇAISE

#247-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE HELEN CLEASE:

That the Board of Trustees directs the Superintendent to determine the feasibility and cost effectiveness of running the DELF program for students in Rocky View Schools through discussions between French Immersion administrators and the Learning Department. Further, that the Learning Department inform all school administrators that students and parents who wish to access this service immediately may do so through Alliance Francaise via a neighboring sponsoring Board.

CARRIED

POLICY JL RESOLUTION OF PUBLIC CONCERNS – FIRST READ

#248 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE SYLVIA EGGERER:

That the Board of Trustees approves first read of amended Policy JL Resolution of Public Concerns as presented.

CARRIED

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEES 2011-2012

#249 -10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board of Trustees approves the 2011-2012 student fees for international students as outlined below.

2011 – 12 STUDENT FEES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS APPLICABLE TO ALL SCHOOLS EXCEPT THE EDGE SCHOOL

Tuition Fee *a

\$10,500 per year or \$5,500 per semester plus an application fee of \$250

\$1,500 per month for those students enrolled in a Rocky View School for less than two months plus an application fee of \$250

*a Student Placement Agents – 15% commission for first year of attendance and 5% thereafter unless additional compensation approved by Rocky View Schools (in no case greater than 15%)

The parents or guardians of International Students are also responsible to pay for the Instructional Supplies and Materials Fees and Student Transportation Fees as established by the Board each year.

Tuition Fee Refund Policy

- 1) A full refund of tuition fees if study permit denied by Citizenship & Immigration Canada.
- 2) A refund of two-thirds of the tuition fees if registration is cancelled prior to the start of the program.
- 3) No refunds provided after student has commenced his/her educational program with RVS or is removed from the International Student Program by RVS for any reason.

2011 – 12 STUDENT FEES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS APPLICABLE TO THE EDGE SCHOOL

Tuition Fee *a

\$23,500 per year plus an application fee of \$250

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CARRIED

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE:

Board Chair Bruce Pettigrew read a thank you card from Principal, Celia Barrington, for the Long Service and Retirement Banquet.

BOARD REPORTS:

Sylvia Eggerer:

- October 13 – Attended Meadowbrook School Council meeting
- October 14 – Attended the Premier's Dinner in Red Deer
- October 18- Attended Edge School Council meeting
- October 19 – Attended Superintendent's Policy Committee meeting
- October 19 – Attended George McDougall High School Council meeting
- October 20 – Attended Crossfield School Council meeting on Blended Learning
- October 21 – Attended meeting with Honourable Ted Morton, MLA, to present Infrastructure needs
- October 26 – Attended dinner meeting with ASBA Heather Welwood, David Anderson, and Jackie Hanson
- October 27 – Attended Student Appeal Hearing Conference
- October 27 – Attended meeting the Airdrie Council of School Councils
- October 28 – Attended Board Orientation
- October 29 – Attended Advocacy meeting with Airdrie Mayor Peter Brown
- November 1 – Board Tours – Crossfield Elementary, Fairview Colony, West Haven Colony, Beiseker and WG Murdoch
- November 2 – Board Tours – Kathryn, South Beiseker Colony, Chestermere High, Chestermere Middle and Chestermere Learning Connection
- November 3 – Attended Nose Creek School Council meeting – Smart Board Presentation
- November 4 – Board Planning Committee, Organizational and Regular Board meetings

Norma Lang:

- October 18 – Received word from Returning Officer Ken Parker that I was the successful Ward One Candidate
- October 20 – Attended Crossfield Joint School Council Meeting
- October 26 – Meet with Principal Greg Roberts, WG Murdoch
- October 26 – Met with Executive Assistants Karen Dolynny and Lynne Castle for overview and tour of Education Centre
- October 26 - Met with Audrey Bloxham, Director of Transportation for Inclement Weather Orientation
- October 27 – Attended ASBA Orientation in Calgary
- October 28 – Budget Orientation Meeting with Darrell Couture, Associate Superintendent of Business and Operations
- October 28 - Attended RVS Board Orientation
- October 29 – Met with WG Murdoch Administration Team Greg Roberts and Gladys Brown
- October 29 – Met with Kathryn School Principal Brad Walls
- November 1 – RVS School Tours

- November 2 – RVS School Tours
- November 3 – Met with Beiseker Administration Val Murdoff and Gary Bell

Bev LaPeare:

- October 7 – Attended the Planning and Regular Board meeting
- October 7 - Presented various awards at the Chestermere High School Homecoming Awards evening.
- October 12 – Attended the Rocky View County Public Services Committee meeting at which where Langdon School Playground plan was presented and discussed.
- October 13 – Attended the Langdon School Council meeting.
- October 14 – Took part in a Webinar regarding Occupational Health and Safety titled Occupational Health and Safety Prosecutions: Bracing for the Hammer in Alberta.
- October 15 – Attended Rainbow Creek School Council meeting
- October 15 – Attended a videoconference workshop regarding Student Expulsion Hearings.
- October 19 – Attended the Healthy Community Initiative meeting held in Chestermere Town Hall.
- October 20 – Attended the Prairie Waters School Council meeting
- October 22 – Attended the Chestermere Lake Middle School Council meeting
- October 26 – Attended dinner for ASBA President, Vice President and Executive Director
- October 27 – Attended ASBA Zone 5 orientation for Board members
- October 28 – Attended RVS Board Orientation and Professional Learning session.
- October 28 – Attended the “War of the Worlds” Band/Drama presentation at Chestermere High School
- November 1 – Toured the following schools with the Board: Crossfield Elementary, Fairview Colony, Westhaven Colony, Beiseker School, W.G. Murdock School in Crossfield
- November 2 – Toured the following schools with the Board: Kathryn, South Beiseker Colony, Chestermere High School (awesome lunch served by Culinary Arts Students!), Chestermere Lake Middle School, Chestermere Learning Connection
- November 3 – Attended two Student Expulsion Hearings
- November 3 – Attended the Bow North Recreation Board meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

ALBERTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (ASBA)

#250-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE DON THOMAS:

That the Board of Trustees supports the nomination of Trustee Helen Clease to the ASBA Zone 5 Chair position and that Board Chair Bruce Pettigrew write a letter of support on behalf of the Board.

CARRIED

PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA (PSBAA)

#251-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board of Trustees informs the Public School Boards Association of Alberta (PSBAA) of its intent to withdraw its membership effective December 31, 2011.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT:

#252-10 MOTION BY TRUSTEE BEV LAPEARE:

That the Board meeting be adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

CARRIED

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY-TREASURER