

GRANDE PRAIRIE RCSSD #28 BOARD MEETING
Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 19, 2008

Present:

Board of Trustees

Ralph Wohlgemuth, Chair
Gerry Lettner, Vice Chair
Alice Brick Trustee
Laureen Lushman, Trustee
Jamie Schoorlemmer, Trustee
Eldon Wyant, Trustee
Jennifer Wrzosek, Trustee

Executive Officers

Karl Germann Superintendent
Ed Buckle, Assistant Superintendent: Human Resources
Marlene Stefura, Assistant Superintendent: Curriculum & Assessment
Bryan Turner, Associate Superintendent of Business Operations
Violet Dettling, Executive Assistant

Other

Mitch Walker, Parent, St. Joseph Catholic High School Band
Damien Wood, DHT

Regrets

Father Cyril Joseph

A.1. Opening

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with an opening prayer led by Trustee Laureen Lushman

A.2. Delegations

• **Grande Prairie Catholic School District Band**

Parent Mitch Walker presented on behalf of the Grande Prairie Catholic School District Band trip and the invitation to attend the MusicFest in Ottawa Canada in May, 2008. Mitch Walker requested the board's consideration to provide \$2600.00 to assist with the registration cost for the MusicFest. Chair Ralph Wohlgemuth thanked Mr. Walker for his request.

A.3. Correspondence

Chair Wohlgemuth presented:
1. Poster from Edmonton Catholic
2. Brochure from ACSTA regarding election;
3. ACSTA Annual Report

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4. Alberta Infrastructure & Transportation Annual Report
5. NADC Newsletter
6. CUPE Handout "Doing the Math"
7. Northwest Zone 1 letter of thanks
8. ASBA Reminder regarding committee members for "Children in Poverty"
9. Invitation from GPRC to attend Award Luncheon on March 4, 2008.

A.4. Requests for Information

1. No written requests for information were received.
2. Trustee Laureen Lushman requested clarification on the Board Calendar and when issues were addressed regarding the calendar.
2. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested clarification on the set-up of her agenda package.
3. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested information on the CEO evaluation;
4. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested information regarding the cost of the legal case regarding the ATA contract challenge.
5. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested an update on the action plan following the Principals presentations on February 4, 2008.
6. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested a report from the ATA Negotiating Committee regarding the negotiations and specifically why our district was one of the last six to settle.

A.5. Adoption of Agenda

#129- 07/08 WRZOSEK

That the agenda be adopted with the following additions:

- D.7 Grande Prairie Catholic District Band Request
- D.8 Board Calendar change

CARRIED

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#130- 07/08 LETTNER

That the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 28, 2008 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

C. CHAPLAIN REPORT

Father Cyril Joseph was unable to attend the meeting.

D. NEW BUSINESS, OLD BUSINESS AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

D.1 Ad-Hoc Recognition Committee

Chair Ralph Wohlgemuth reported on the discussions from Committee of the Whole where an Ad-Hoc Recognition Committee was to be created to recognize locally, friends of Catholic Education.

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school district to meet the needs identified in the
Alberta Safe Communities Report.

CARRIED

D.5 Administrative Procedure #110 – School Councils

Superintendent Karl Germann presented the amended procedure for information.

#137- 07/08 BRICK

That the Board of Trustees receive as information
Administrative Procedure #110 – School Councils
as amended.

CARRIED

D.6 Ste. Marie Catholic School Field Trip

Superintendent Karl Germann reported on the request from Ste. Marie students to travel to Vancouver on April 29 to May 6, 2008.

#138- 07/08 SCHOORLEMMER

That the Board of Trustees grant approval to Ste.
Marie Catholic School group to travel to Vancouver,
British Columbia on April 29 to May 6, 2008.

CARRIED

D.7 St. Joseph High School Band Trip

#139- 07/08 SCHOORLEMMER

That the Board of Trustees provide the Grande
Prairie District Catholic Band trip with \$2600.00 of
funding to assist with registration fees for Nationals
in Ottawa in May 2008.

CARRIED

D.6 Board Calendar Change

Trustee Laureen Lushman requested that the August 18, 2008 regular scheduled board meeting date be changed to August 25, 2008. This matter will be addressed at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Board of Trustees received as information, the minutes of the meetings from:

ATA Negotiating Committee - Vice Chair Gerry Lettner presented the minutes as information. An amendment to the Minutes dated December 19, 2007 was noted. Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek requested a detailed report of the negotiations.

Education Foundation Committee – Trustee Laureen Lushman presented the minutes as information.

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Faith Permeation Committee – Trustees Jennifer Wrzosek and Jamie Schoorlemmer presented the minutes as information.

ACSTA – no meetings to report

ASBA Zone 1 – email was forwarded by Chair Ralph Wohlgemuth.

#140 –07/08 WROZSEK That the Board of Trustees receive as information the Committee Reports as amended. CARRIED

Chair Ralph Wohlgemuth called a recess of the meeting from 7:00-7:10 p.m.

E. POLICY REVIEW

#141 - 07/08 SCHOORLEMMER That the Board of Trustees approve Policy #9 – Board Operations as amended.

CARRIED

Trustee Jamie Schoorlemmer leaves the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' REPORT
G.1 SUPERINTENDENT

St. Mary's Capital Announcement

Announcement attached to agenda for information. Work is continuing with Alberta Infrastructure. More information will follow.

St. Mary's Community Gym Partnership

A meeting is being planned with the County of Grande Prairie and Sexsmith Administrators for preliminary discussions surrounding the new school facility.

Technology Funding Increase

A recent announcement was attached to agenda regarding increased funding by Alberta Education. Assistant Superintendent Marlene Stefura will be attending at Edmonton Catholic's office for a meeting regarding Gr 1-6 Report Cards. Information is coming in from Principals regarding their requests for technology upgrades in their schools. A technology proposal is being drawn up and will be presented in the near future.

Peace Wapiti Bussing Situation

A copy of a letter received from Peace Wapiti regarding the bussing of St. Mary's Catholic School kids from Clairmont will be addressed by administration.

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School Sites (North East)

A copy of a map of north east Grande Prairie for future development was provided to Trustees for information.

Management Report

A copy of the management report was provided.

G.2 ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Associate Superintendent of Business Operations Bryan Turner provided the financial statements for December in the Management Report.

G.3 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT: Human Resources

Assistant Superintendent Ed Buckle report was part of the Management Report.

G.4 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT: Curriculum & Assessment

Assistant Superintendent Marlene Stefura report was part of the Management Report.

H. REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

I. ROUND TABLE

Brick – St. Clements Family Dance was successful and fun. Will be absence for the school tours but will be going around with the Superintendent on February 20, 2008.

Lettner – Congratulations to the students who were recognized in the Vocation Week Contest.

Lushman – Thank you to Russ and all who worked so hard in putting together a great Faith Day. Thanks from the maintenance staff for their fruit tray. They were impressed to have their fruit tray delivered to their office.

Germann- Thanks to the Board for the fruit trays to the schools. They were well received by all staff.

I. MEETING EVALUATION

The evaluations were provided in agenda package.

J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Budget

New Orientation Report – March 3 Committee of the Whole

ADJOURNMENT

#142- 07/08 WOHLGEMUTH That the meeting adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

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NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for March 17, 2008 at the Catholic Education Centre, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Chair

Associate Superintendent of Business Operations