

GRANDE PRAIRIE RCSSD #28 BOARD MEETING
Minutes of the Board Meeting held on Monday, August 22, 2011

Present:

Board of Trustees

Chair Ralph Wohlgemuth
Vice Chair Ben Dart
Trustee DJ Golden
Trustee Jennifer Wrzosek
Trustee Eldon Wyant
Trustee Jamie Schoorlemmer
Trustee Michael Ouellette

Executive Officers

Karl Germann Superintendent
Ed Buckle, Assistant Superintendent: Human Resources
Bryan Turner, Associate Superintendent of Business Operations
Jessie Shirley, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
Violet Dettling, Executive Assistant

A.1. Opening

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Chair Wohlgemuth. Trustee Schoorlemmer opened the meeting with prayer.

A.2. Delegations - NIL

B. Adoption of Agenda

#008-11/12	WYANT	That the agenda be adopted as presented with the following amendments: Add: Item #5 Adhoc committee- for Catholic Education Item #6 Adhoc committee- Board Faith Retreat CARRIED
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C. Adoption of Minutes

#009- 11/12	GOLDEN	That the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 20, 2011 as presented CARRIED
#010- 11/12	OUELLETTE	That the Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on June 27, 2011 as presented CARRIED

D. Faith Formation Report

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Father Bill Bernard introduced himself as the new Parish Priest at St. Joseph Parish in Grande Prairie. Clarification was sought from the Board on the role that they saw the Chaplain play on the Board in the past. Chair Wohlgemuth reported on the working relationship between the Parish and the Board and schools and expressed satisfaction on services provided.

Religious Education Consultant – Russ Snoble reported on the faith theme for this year “Sowing Seeds of Justice”. It was reported that last year’s project received a lot of media and communication attention and the schools are encouraged to keep up the great work on the district wide approach to creating citizens for a better world. Catholic Education Sunday is November 6, 2011.

E. Superintendent’s Report

1. High School Re-Design

Superintendent Germann reported on the planning and progress made on the high school redesign. A parent meeting is being held on September 7, 2011. Students are working on picking their advisors by September 15, 2011.

2. Minister’s Commendation

Superintendent Germann presented the Minister of Education’s letter of commendation for our improved results for 2010-2011.

3. Kateri Modulars

St. Mary’s in Sexsmith is receiving one more modular and Kateri will be seeing all old modulars removed and new modulars moved in the summer of 2012.

4. ASEBP/LAPP increases

Information regarding the increasing ASEBP/LAPP rates was provided to the Board as information.

5. St. Joe’s College

An invitation to attend a fundraising event for St. Joe’s College in Edmonton was presented to the trustees.

6. Awards – District, ASBA & ACSTA

The Board will not be nominating any candidates for ASBA/ACSTA this year. Service Awards will be presented on August 30, 2011.

7. August 31 Deadline for School Act changes

Alberta Education’s deadling for submissions for School Act changes is August 31, 2011. A letter has been sent on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

F. Action Items

1. STM Trip to Greece

#011 -11/12 DART

That the Board of Trustees grant initial approval for

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the students of St. Thomas More Catholic School to
travel to Greece from April 5 to April 17, 2012.
DEFEATED

2. St. Joseph High School Trip to Peru

#012- 11/12 GOLDEN That the Board of Trustees grant initial approval for
the students of St. Joseph Catholic High School to
travel to Peru from April 6 to April 15, 2012.
DEFEATED
Trustee Schoorlemmer was absence for the vote.

3. Accountability Report – Personnel

#013 -11/12 SCHOORLEMMER That the Board of Trustees accept the governance
implications as presented in the Personnel
Accountability report for the 2010-2011 school year.
CARRIED

#014 -11/12 WYANT That the Board of Trustees move in-camera at 6:38
p.m. excluding media and general public.
CARRIED

#015- 11/12 DART That the Board of Trustees move out of camera at
6:40 p.m.
CARRIED

Chair Wohlgemuth called for a recess at 6:42 p.m.
Meeting was called back to order at 6:48 p.m.

4. Accountability Report – Occupational Health & Safety

#016-11/12 GOLDEN That the Board of Trustees accept the Governance
Implications as presented in the Occupational
Health & Safety Accountability Report for the 2010-
2011 School year as amended.

#017-11/12 DART That the Board of Trustees amend motion #009-
11/12 to read
**“The Board of Trustees consider the
recommendations contained in the Governance
Implications presented in the Occupational
Health & Safety Accountability Report for the
2010-2011 School year”**
CARRIED

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Chair Wohlgemuth called the question on the amended motion:

#018-11/12 GOLDEN

That the Board of Trustees consider the recommendations contained in the Governance Implications as presented in the Occupational Health & Safety Accountability Report for the 2010-2011 School year.
CARRIED

#5 Catholic Education Sunday Ad-hoc committee

Trustee Dart, Schoorlemmer, Wrzosek, Wyant and Wohlgemuth will meet with Parish priests in their communities to discuss Catholic Education Sunday. A report will be provided at the September meeting of the board.

#6 Faith Retreat

#019-11/12 GOLDEN

That the Board of Trustees appoint Trustees Wrzosek, Schoorlemmer and Ouellette along with Superintendent Germann to plan a board retreat in late February, 2012.
CARRIED

G. POLICY REVIEW

#020 -11/12 DART

That the Board of Trustees approve Policy 1 – Mission & Vision as amended
CARRIED

#021 -11/12 OUELLETTE

That the Board of Trustees approve Policy 9 – Appendix “A: as presented.
CARRIED

#022 -11/12 WRZOSEK

That the Board of Trustees approve Policy 15 – School Closures as presented
CARRIED

#023 -11/12 WYANT

That the Board of Trustees approve Policy 16 – Recruitment and Selection of Staff as presented
CARRIED

H. Committee Reports

ACSTA Board of Directors

Trustee Ouellette reported the next meeting of the ACSTA Board is scheduled for September 16, 2011

HR Committee

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WYANT – Happy to be back. Son back in St. Joes after one year Rotary in Belguim. Looking forward to great school year.

GOLDEN – 3 children now in the system with the youngest starting grade one at Holy Cross.

OUELLETTE – Attended Alberta 55 Plus event in Fairview. It was nice to see the community of Fairview appreciate the athletes and guests. Doing some work with ASBA sub-committee this summer. Two children starting grade 1 in September.

GERMANN - Happy that Alberta Education is supporting the High School re-design project. Meet with the Minister on August 31 to discuss financial challenges

BUCKLE – Glad to be back for another busy year.

SHIRLEY – Started the work year already by attending a CASS Summer conference. Keynote spoke strongly about technology, kids and schools. Will be busy with the high school re-design project and implementing technology in the high school.

WOHGLEMUTH – The Board Evaluation of June 28, 2011 has been signed. Thanks for the acclamation for position of Chair for another year. Thanks to Ben for assuming the role of Vice Chair for another year.

Future agenda items to be discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting:

- Student recognition
- Meeting with Bishop
- OH&S statement
- CEC Exec team retirement
- School tours & lunches

L. MEETING EVALUATION

Meeting Evaluation forms were provided in the Board Agenda Package and will be reviewed at next Committee of the Whole meeting.

#028- 11/12 WOHLGEMUTH

Meeting adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

CARRIED

M. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Board Meeting has been scheduled for September 26, 2011 at the Catholic Education Centre, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Chair

Associate Superintendent of Business Operations