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Board Meeting #13

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the Trustees of the Edmonton School District No. 7 of the Province of Alberta held in McCauley Chambers in the Centre for Education on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

Present:

Trustees

Sherry Adams
Orville Chubb
Michelle Draper

Ken Gibson
Nathan Ip
Michael Janz

Cheryl Johner
Ray Martin

Student Trustee

Johannah Ko

Officials

Angela Anderson
Lisa Austin
Diana Bolan

Candace Cole
Ron MacNeil
Mary Michailides

Darrel Robertson
Sandra Stoddard

Board Chair: Michael Janz

Recording Secretary: Manon Fraser

A. O Canada 

Staff Group Representatives

Edmonton Public Teachers – Nels Olsen, President
CUPE Local 3550 – Carol Chapman, President

B. **Roll Call:** (2:00 p.m.)

The Superintendent advised that Trustee Hoffman was absent. All other Trustees as well as Student Trustee Ko were present.

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C. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED BY Trustee Draper:

“That the agenda for the April 21, 2015 board meeting be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

D. Communications from the Board Chair

The Board Chair advised that Wednesday, April 22nd is International Earth Day which is the largest, most celebrated environmental event worldwide. Several years ago, the Board identified Earth Day and Week as an initiative to promote within the District. The Board encourages schools to participate.

The Board Chair advised that Support Staff Appreciation Week is April 19th to 25th with April 22nd designated as Support Staff Appreciation Day in the district. On this day, schools and central service decision units will have the opportunity to recognize the important contributions of all support staff for the excellent work that they do in supporting the success of all students and staff.

E. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent also thanked members of the District’s Support Staff for their efforts.

F. Minutes

1. Board Meeting #12 – April 7, 2015

MOVED BY Trustee Draper:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #12 held April 7, 2015 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

G. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives – None.

H. Reports

2. Report #9 of the Caucus Committee (From the Meeting Held April 7, 2015)

Information was provided regarding the actions taken at the April 7, 2015 Caucus Committee meeting.

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3. Staff Group Presentations re 2015-2016 Proposed Budget
 - CUPE Local 3550 (Support Staff)

The Board Chair advised that CUPE Local 474 (Custodial Staff) will present at the May 5, 2015 Board meeting.

Ms. Carol Chapman, President CUPE Local 3550 (Support Staff), presented the Local's brief.

The Board Chair thanked Ms Chapman for her presentation and advised that a response to the staff group presentations will be prepared for public board.

I. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives – 5:00 p.m.

There were no registered speakers for this item.

J. Other Committee, Board Representative and Trustee Reports

Trustee Ip, invited constituents and Trustees to attend the final Ward H networks School Council meeting of the year taking tomorrow evening at Johnny Bright School. He noted Student Trustee Ko will be making a presentation at the meeting.

Trustee Draper advised she spoke to both Grade 6 classes at Edmonton Christian Northeast School and was impressed with the students' level of engagement and their understanding of the role of a Trustee. The students appreciated hearing about the role of the Student Trustee and that Student Trustee Ko attends the high school they are designated to attend. She has spoken to Student Trustee Ko about some of the points the students raised regarding how to engage the voice of the District's elementary students. The students also spoke about how they have been impacted by student enrolment growth at their school and the changes they have noticed in their community.

Trustee Martin advised that, on April 18th he attended the Mount Royal School *Culinary Arts Cook Off* and silent auction in support of their arts core programming. The event was extremely well attended and raised over \$18,000. He commended the Parent Council and staff who organized the event.

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Trustee Adams, the Board's representative on the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation Board of Governors, advised that the 2015 *Ready to Shine* Student Fashion Show fundraiser would take place and be hosted by Kingsway Garden Mall at 7:00 p.m. on April 23, 2015. She also noted that the W.P. Wagner School *Wagathon* fundraiser would take place on April 24, 2015. She commended the students and staff at the school for their fundraising efforts in support of full-day kindergarten.

Trustee Chubb advised that, on April 20, 2015, he attended the 28th Annual Mayor's *Celebration of the Arts*. He congratulated Victoria School dance student, Kieran MacDonald who won the CN Youth Artist Award.

Trustee Janz also attended the Mayor's *Celebration of the Arts* event.

Trustee Johner, the Board's representative on Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 23, advised that the next general meeting would take place April 24, 2014. She noted the ASBA budget would be presented at the meeting.

Trustee Janz advised that he attended the Edmonton Public Library's *Books2Eat* fundraising gala on April 18, 2015. He noted the Board received a report at the March 17, 2015 board meeting regarding the District's partnership with the Edmonton Public Library.

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information

Trustee Ip referred to his request for information regarding immunization from the April 7, 2015 Board meeting and advised that he was amending the request to narrow the scope of the request to read as follows: *Provide information regarding current District and Provincial Government policy, regulations and practice on the immunization and vaccination of students. The information should include what the District is currently doing to mitigate risks.*

L. Notices of Motion – None.

M. Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

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N. **Adjournment** (2:30 p.m.)

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting.

Michael Janz, Board Chair

Dr. Sandra Stoddard, Executive Director
Governance and Strategic Support
Services/Corporate Secretary