

Minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of Northern Gateway Public Schools

February 24th, 2015 - 1:00 p.m.

Board Room of the Division Office in Whitecourt, AB

Opening

A. Opening

**Call to Order
and Roll Call**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The February 24th, 2015 meeting was called to order by Chair Muir at 1:05 p.m.

Chair Judy Muir, Trustees Cindy Granley, Jim Hailes, Sherry Jeffreys, Albert Schalm, Terry Slemko, Beverly Smith, Gerry Steinke, and Administrators Kevin Andrea, Superintendent, Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer, and Wendy Robertson, Recording Secretary, were present at this time.

Milly McGregor, Assistant Secretary Treasurer, and Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer, were present at this time.

Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent and Trustee Jim Govenlock, were absent from the meeting.

**Additions/Deletions
to the Agenda**

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

I.1.a) Support/Admin Compensation Committee Process

Acceptance of Agenda

3. Acceptance of Agenda

3014 -15

Moved by Trustee Granley – that the agenda for the February 24th, 2015 Regular Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried

Appointments & Delegations

B. Appointments & Delegations

Nil

Draft Minutes of the February 10th, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

C. Draft Minutes of the February 10th, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

3015-15

Moved by Trustee Granley– that the draft minutes of the February 10th, 2015 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

Action Items

D. Action Items

2015 – 2016 School Fees

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3016-15

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the 2015 – 2016 Mandatory Student Curricular Fees remain at:

Elementary (includes ECS) - \$60.00
Junior High - \$85.00
Senior High - \$110.00

Motion Carried

**2015 – 2016 Non-Alberta
Students Tuition Fees**

3017-15

2015 – 2016 Non-Alberta Students Tuition Fees

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the 2015 – 2016
tuition fee for Non-Alberta students remain at:

\$7429.00 full year
\$3714.50 half year

Motion Carried

**2015 – 2016 Transportation
fees for Grant Ineligible
Students**

3018-15

**2015 – 2016 Transportation fees for Grant
Ineligible Students**

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the 2015 – 2016
Transportation fees for Grant Ineligible Students
remain at:

\$290.00 per student
\$145.00 per half day ECS Student and \$290.00 per
full day everyday ECS Student
\$722 Maximum per family

Motion Carried

**Onoway High
International
Field Trip**

3019-15

Onoway High International Field Trip

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that the Board
approve in full the Onoway High School
Tour Group's international field trip to France
and Italy scheduled for March 31st – April 11th,
2015.

Motion Carried

Additional Action Items

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Nil

Information/Reports

E. Information/Reports

ASBA/PSBAA Update

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ASBA

The Bylaw Amendments and Proposed Policy Position deadline is March 27th, 2015 for Boards to submit their feedback.

A Request for Information related to the review of benefits of CSBA and NSBA membership to be considered at the Board's meeting as part of the budget assumptions discussion.

Edmonton Public Schools sent out a letter regarding ASBA's memberships with CSBA (Canadian School Boards Association) and the NSBA (National School Boards Association) and their Board of Trustees would like to see ASBA give notice to leave both CSBA and NSBA Associations.

PSBAA

No report

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent's Report

Written report provided.

Additional report items:

Dangers of Wifi:

Administration will be researching this more as it was brought up at the last Board meeting. Some jurisdictions in the US have banned Wifi.

OHS Mural:

Survey will be going out on the Onoway High School Mural situation.

Pink Shirt Day:

Pink Shirt day in support of anti-bullying is February 25, 2015.

Finance

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Michael Gramatovich reviewed the following report:

- Bank Statements as of January 31st, 2015.

Northern Gateway Financial Reporting Profile

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Administration reviewed the Financial Reporting Profile for Northern Gateway provided by Alberta Education.

Ground Breaking Ceremony

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Plans are being made to hold a brief ceremony to commemorate the beginning of the construction of the Onoway High School building project. It will involve a brief sod turning photo op on the track followed by a "coffee and snack" meet and greet. Division Office will invite local and provincial representatives as well as media. The event has been scheduled for March 9th, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

MD of Greenview Meeting Report

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The Northern Gateway Public School Board and administration met with the MD of Greenview on February 19th, 2015 to discuss the NGPS Facility Study; Crosswalks; and the FCSS Intervention Worker.

Trustee Reports

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Cindy Granley

Kevin Babiuk, a teacher at Hilltop High School, was recently named Football Alberta's Tier III coach of the year.

Terry Slemko

The Onoway High School grad parents held a Grad Fashion show last week. They plan to make this an annual event.

Jim Hailes

Trustee Hailes enjoyed the school tours and was impressed with the use of the Chrome books.

Albert Schalm

Trustees Schalm and Govenlock attended the Lunch Box fundraiser on Saturday, February 21st, 2015. It was a well done classy event.

Additional Report Items

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Nil

Topics for Future Discussions

F. Topics for Future Discussions

1. Using Grade 1 – 12 funding for Kindergarten
2. Infrastructure funds distributed to Boards on an equitable basis.

Requests for Information

G. Requests for Information

Nil

Meeting Highlights

H. Meeting Highlights

1. Approved 2015 – 2016 Fees
2. Onoway High School Field Trip
3. Ground Breaking Ceremony OHS
4. MD of Greenview Meeting

Milly McGregor, Assistant Secretary Treasurer and Lisa Bakos, Communications Officer, left the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

In-Camera Items

3020-15

G. In-Camera Items

Moved by Trustee Jeffreys – that the Board go in-camera at 2:00 p.m. and that Kevin Andrea, and Michael Gramatovich be invited to remain.

Motion Carried

Kevin Andrea, Superintendent and Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer, left the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

3021-15

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the Board come out of in-camera at 3:06 p.m.

Motion Carried

3022-15

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that the Board assume responsibility of dealing with the Superintendent's contract.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

I. Adjournment

3023-15

Moved by Trustee Hailes – that the meeting be adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Motion Carried

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer