

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF
TRUSTEES MEETING OF NORTHERN GATEWAY
REGIONAL DIVISION NO. 10 HELD IN THE BOARD
ROOM OF THE DIVISION OFFICE IN WHITECOURT,
ALBERTA ON JUNE 4TH, 2014**

OPENING

A. OPENING

**CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The June 4th, 2014 meeting was called to order by Chair Muir at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Chair Judy Muir, Trustees Jim Govenlock, Cindy Granley, Jim Hailes, Sherry Jeffreys, Albert Schalm, Terry Slemko, Beverly Smith, Gerry Steinke and Administrators Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent, Sheila Ranslam, Assistant Superintendent, Michael Gramatovich, Secretary-Treasurer and Wendy Robertson, Recording Secretary.

Cheryl Lovich, Coordinator of Health and Safety Services and Malcolm Heaven, Network Administrator were present at this time.

Kevin Andrea, Superintendent of Schools, was absent from the meeting.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

G.2.a) Support/Admin Compensation

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

2877-14

Moved by Trustee Schalm – that the agenda for the June 4th, 2014, Regular Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Motion Carried

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
MAY 20TH, 2014**

**C. DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MAY 20TH, 2014
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

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2878-14

Moved by Trustee Granley – that the draft minutes of the May 20th, 2014 Regular Board Meeting be adopted.

Motion Carried

APPOINTMENTS & DELEGATIONS

B. APPOINTMENTS & DELEGATIONS

Technology

Malcolm Heaven, Network Administrator, gave an update on technology within the Division.

Written report provided for information.

Malcom Heaven, completed his report and left the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

Health and Safety Services

Cheryl Lovich, Coordinator of Health and Safety Services, gave an update.

Written report provided for information.

Cheryl Lovich, completed her report and left the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS

D. ACTION ITEMS

LOCALLY DEVELOPED COURSES

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2879-14

Moved by Trustee Slemko – that the Board authorize the use of the following Locally Developed Courses acquired from Edmonton School District No. 7 from September 1st, 2014 – August 31st, 2018: Forensic Science Studies 25 (3 credits), and Forensic Science Studies 35 (3 credits). Resources used to teach the courses are listed in the Learning Resources of the Course Details.

Motion Carried

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

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Nil

INFORMATION ITEMS/ REPORTS

E. INFORMATION ITEMS/REPORTS

ASBA/PSBAA UPDATE

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ASBA Zone 2/3

Trustee Hailes reported from the May, 2014 meeting:

1. Board Sharing – good discussion on Transportation Funding resulting in the Zone to send a letter to the Minister with our concerns.
2. Advocacy Report – looking for different ways to get our messages out. Will send out a survey looking for input.
3. Zone Directors report – The ASBA is still in discussion with the Gov't re: the proposed format of a new bargaining model so there will be no discussion of the model being developed at the SGM.
4. Alberta Ed. Directors report – Randy Billie – The Department has resources available to assist in responding to Math Program concerns.
5. Presidents Report – Michael Jantz – Spring General Assembly theme is TRUST.

- 6. The Zone voted to support the proposed policy reducing the weighted value of Diploma Exams to 30% and not to support the proposed call for Tax modifications to help end child poverty.

Concerns were voiced regarding the agenda for the ASBA SGM and the time wasted in between agenda items. Trustees will be commenting on this on the evaluation they are to complete for the ASBA SGM.

PSBAA

Chair Muir reported:

- PSBAA SGM went well.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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Written report from the Superintendent provided.

FINANCE

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Michael Gramatovich presented to the Board the following finance reports:

- Site Finance Reports as at May 30th, 2014.

Egbert Stang, Principal, Fox Creek School and Kaeleigh Pasula, Grade 12 student, Fox Creek School, entered the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

APPOINTMENTS & DELEGATIONS

B. APPOINTMENTS & DELEGATIONS

Grade 12 student, Kaeleigh Pasula, from Fox Creek School spoke to the Board of her many accomplishments. Kaeleigh is a remarkable young lady with drive and passion for all that she does:

- Government of Alberta Youth Advisory Panel for Human Services,
- Student Engagement Coordinator,
- Community Engagement Liaison, and

- Canada Wide Science Fair Finalist.

The above are just a few of her endeavors. Kaeleigh spent the summer of 2013 conducting research at the University of Alberta, with the Heritage Youth Researcher Summer Programs (HYRS). For six weeks, Kaeleigh was conducting research with Dr. John Lewis in the Department of Oncology. She was working in an experimental Oncology lab, and was culturing cancer cells on which new therapies were tested to determine efficacy of, and resistance to the new cancer compounds.

Kaeleigh plans to attend the University of Alberta for Pharmacy and Business as she one day wants to own her own pharmacy.

Kaeleigh will be graduating this June and we wish her all the success in her future.

Kaeleigh Pasula, completed her presentation at 11:53 a.m. Kaeleigh and Mr. Stang were invited to stay for lunch with the Board.

Roger Lacey, Director of Learning Services and Jennifer Ferguson, Learning Services Coordinator, entered the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

**COUNCIL OF
SCHOOL COUNCILS –
NEXT STEPS**

COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS – NEXT STEPS

Northern Gateway hosted school council representatives from throughout the Division on Tuesday, May 27th, 2014 at the Family of School Councils – Parent Engagement Event held at Whitecourt Central School.

Discussion, information sharing and connecting with fellow council representations were the cornerstones of the day-long event designed to build a common understanding of Northern Gateway's educational direction and plan and inspire partnerships between school councils. Michelle Brennick, Deputy Superintendent, will be putting

together a next-steps agenda from the comments of those whom attended and what they want to see on the agenda. Some suggestions were: ASCA Overview, PD Session and questions back and forth for councils to learn from each other.

C2 COMMITTEE UPDATE

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The C2 Committee met on May 26th, 2014 to discuss the Action Plan on the top five priorities:

1. Streamline IPP Process.
2. Focus on few district initiatives and provide time to consistently implement them.
3. Meeting the requirements of inclusion without adequate time and classroom support.
4. Improve planning and preparation time.
5. Reduce paperwork.
6. Reduce class sizes.

These priorities have been addressed and information will be shared at administrators meetings for principals to share with their staff.

THREE YEAR EDUCATION PLAN REVIEW

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Discussions on the development on the Three-Year Education Plan 2014 – 2017 were held with the Board of Trustees and central administration and had the following comments:

- The Board wants to be involved in the initial process of developing the strategies for the goals.
- One of the concerns the Board has, is when goals are set, when or how do we know when goals are achieved?
- Board would like to meet in August during the regular Board meeting to discuss the strategies for goals for the 2014 – 2017 Education Plan.

Each year, school jurisdictions assess and interpret their

performance and report on their progress toward achieving the goals and outcomes of their Three-Year Education Plans. The Three-Year Education Plan is due to Alberta Education on November 30th, 2014.

Roger Lacey and Jennifer Ferguson, left the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS
FOR JUNE 2014**

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Provided for information.

**ANNUAL BOARD
WORK PLAN**

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Provided for information.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

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Cindy Granley

On Thursday, May 29th, 2014, Apline skier and Olympian Brad Spence and Bobsledder, Steve Mesler, visited Percy Baxter School as part of a Classroom Champions presentation.

Percy Baxter was one of two schools that was able to get athletes to come to their school. They had pizza with the students and some of the students were able to wear the gold medal Brad Spence had won. Then the two athletes and the Percy Baxter Hockey Academy students played floor hockey at the Allan and Jean Millar centre.

Thanks to Mr. Moody, teacher at Percy Baxter for setting up this awesome experience for the students.

Gerry Steinke

Trustee Steinke advised that Dr. John Hattie will be presenting on “Visible Learning” on August 22nd, 2014, in Grande Prairie and on August 20th, 2014 in Edmonton.

Link to register is: <http://arpdc.ab.ca/>

Terry Slemko

Trustee Slemko provided an update on the new Onoway High School. The construction costing came in a ½ million dollars under the \$24 million dollar budget. There is a meeting June 5th, to discuss the interior design and the state of the art equipment wanted. We will also be meeting with Lafarge.

Onoway Elementary School has been challenged to come up with a banner to mark the Lac Ste. Anne trail.

ADDITIONAL REPORT ITEMS

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Nil

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

F. BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The following items will be communicated to our communities:

- 1. Health & Safety Services Report
- 2. Technology Report
- 3. Council of School Councils Report
- 4. Three-Year Education Plan 2014 - 2017
- 5. Kaeleigh Pasula Presentation to the Board

IN-CAMERA ITEMS

G. IN-CAMERA ITEMS

2880-14

Moved by Trustee Hailes– that the Board go in-camera at 2:18 p.m. and that Michelle Brennick, Sheila Ranslam and Mike Gramatovich, be invited to remain.

Motion Carried

Michelle Brennick, Sheila Ranslam and Mike Gramatovich left the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

2881-14

Moved by Trustee Steinke – that the Board come out of in-camera at 3:29 p.m.

Motion Carried

ADJOURNMENT

H. ADJOURNMENT

2882-14

Moved by Trustee Govenlock – that the Board accept the Support/Admin Compensation Committee's recommendation relative to the Superintendent's contract effective September 1st, 2014

Motion Carried

2883- 14

Moved by Trustee Granley - that the meeting be adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Motion Carried

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer