



MINUTES

Golden Hills School Division No. 75

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Location: Boardroom of the Golden Hills School Division

Start Time: 9:30 AM

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 (9:30 AM)

1.0 Attendance

Present:

- a) Chair
 - Laurie Huntley
- b) Vice Chair
 - Jennifer Mertz
- c) Trustees
 - Barry Kletke
 - Rob Pirie (via Zoom)
 - Justin Bolin
 - Jim Northcott
- d) Superintendent
 - Bevan Daverne
- e) Secretary Treasurer
 - Tahra Sabir
- h) Recording Secretary
 - Kristy Polet

Absent:

- f) Associate Superintendent
 - Jeff Grimsdale
- g) Deputy Superintendent
 - Wes Miskiman

2.0 Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:29 a.m.

3.0 Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge that we are on lands in the Treaty 7 area. We are making this acknowledgment to demonstrate our commitment to work together as a community in laying the foundation for reconciliation through education.

4.0 In Camera

4.1 In Camera

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1001

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:30 a.m.

4.2 Out of In Camera

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1002

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 11:00 a.m.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

5.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1003

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the March 23, 2021 agenda.

6.0 Welcome Public, Vision and Mission Statements

7.0 Presentation of Minutes

7.1 Regular Minutes of February 23, 2021

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1004

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees approve the February 23, 2021 Regular Minutes.

8.0 REPORTS

A) Chair's Report

Chair Huntley presented information on the following topics:

- March 9-10, 2021 - Participated in Alberta Mental Health Conference - Working Stronger.
- March 10, 2021 - Participated in National Indigenous Education Conference.
- Participated in the Indigenous Leaders Panel sponsored by Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA).
- March 12, 2021 - ASBA Zone 5 call with Education Minister, Adrianna LaGrange.
- Meeting with MLA Nate Horner has been rescheduled from April 29, 2021 to March 26, 2021.
- Participating in Public School Boards' Association (PSBAA) Franklin Covey Workshop taking place March 24, 2021.
- Took part in Alberta Education Survey - Satisfaction with Education in Alberta.

Correspondence received:

- Ministers' Office - March 1, 2021 review of Alberta Government Procurement Process and Project Delivery Practices.
- Dr. Aboud - March 2, 2021 Post Budget Summary.
- Dr. Aboud - March 3, 2021 Mental Health Survey.
- Dr. Aboud - March 5, 2021 Summary of Partners meeting.
- PSBAA - March 9, 2021 Franklin Covey Training Session.

- Ministers' Office - March 9, 2021 Bill 55 - CASS Professional Status.
- Ministers' Office - March 12 Literacy Program.
- Dr. Aboud - March 15, 2021 Alberta School Boards Insurance Exchange (ASBIE) Annual Report.
- Deputy Minister - March 18, 2021 Early Years Assessment.
- Dr. Aboud - March 19, 2021 Trustees Resource Link.

B) Board Committees

Trustee Pirie presented information on the following topics from Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5:

- Meeting highlight - conversation with the Education Minister, Adrianna LaGrange.
- ASBA Election resources for Trustees.

Trustee Kletke has no further information to report on for the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA).

C) Board Representatives to External Organizations

Nothing to report on currently.

D) Administration Reports

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following topics:

Insurance Update:

- Held a virtual second quarter Alberta Risk Management Insurance Consortium (ARMIC) meeting, first quarter meeting was held in December 2020.
- ARMIC consists of 37 school boards, MARSH will be inspecting one school for each division this year.
- Optic Risk - in the process of setting up a data base to be used to record and gather information on incidents, help mitigate risks.
- Bus Operator Insurance - insurance for boards that have Contracted bus drivers (CBO), Golden Hills owns fleet. Premiums have increased for divisions. However, CBO's premiums are high due to two major contractor claims.
- Market - looking into changing our renewal period, would like to avoid capacity issues and not compete against other big pools.

Transportation Update:

- Golden Hills is in the process of registering for a Class 2 S Melt Training Centre.
- Hosted a virtual Professional Development day for bus drivers on Friday, March 19, 2021. Received lots of positive feedback, reviewed bus safety and mechanics available for questions.

Facilities Update:

- Tenders are going out for summer work.
 - GHSD may purchase outside insurance if required. This is to mitigate risks.

Superintendent Daverne presented information on the following topics:

- Alberta Teachers Association (ATA) Retirement Workshop will be held May 1, 2021.
- Support Staff have the option to take part in one on one Local Authorities Pension Plan (LAPP) workshops.
- Edwin Parr Nominees are:
 - Melissa Holmes - is from Trinity Christian Academy, Melissa is a Grade 2 Teacher.
 - Jordan Trenton is from Three Hills School and is a Grade 3 Teacher.
- Attended six virtual Teacher Career Fairs.
- Long Service Awards (LSA) will not be held again this year due to COVID-19. In the interim, Division Office will produce the Retiree videos and supply them to the coordinating schools.
- Interim Education Plan and AERR - new this year, the budget will be included.
- Schools - online students are slowly integrating back into schools for learning, new this year, schools are planning a reunion day for students that have been online through out the pandemic.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

A) Action Items

9.1 Field Trip Studies/Student Excursion - Drumheller Valley Secondary School (B. Daverne)

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1005

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed high school field studies/excursion for Drumheller Valley Secondary School to Peru (Machu Picchu) from April 14, 2022 to April 24, 2022 subject to advisory notices from Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada website http://www.voyage.gc.ca/countries_pays/updates_mise-a-jour-eng.asp such that if a travel warning is issued prior to the trip and not rescinded before the departure date, the trip will be cancelled and parents must be advised that this will be the case.

9.2 Capital Planning (T. Sabir)

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1006

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees approve the request for continued support for the following:

1. Conversion of existing Acme elementary sized gym to flex space and Career Technology Studies Area with the addition of a newly constructed, appropriately sized gym, with opportunity for potential community partnerships.
2. Westmount School (\$3,930,778 deferred maintenance)
3. Greentree School (\$3,310,293 deferred maintenance)

9.3 Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC) Membership Review (B. Daverne)

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1007

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees continue membership in the Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC).

9.4 Linden Cultural Center (T. Sabir)

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1008

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve, in principle, the request for a long-term lease between the Village of Linden and Golden Hills School Division.

B) Information Items

9.5 Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report - February (T. Sabir)

Recommendation:

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report for February 2021.

9.6 Budget Announcement (T. Sabir)

Recommendation:

Secretary Treasurer Sabir reviewed the 2021/2022 Budget to the Board of Trustees as information.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment

Recommendation: BD#20210323.1009

The Board of Trustees adjourn at 12:02 p.m.

Chair

Secretary Treasurer