



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, November 26, 2019 (9:30 AM)

1.0 Attendance

Present:

- a) Chair
 - Laurie Huntley
- b) Vice Chair
 - Jennifer Mertz
- c) Trustees
 - Rob Pirie
 - Justin Bolin
 - Jim Northcott
- d) Superintendent
 - Bevan Daverne
- e) Secretary Treasurer
 - Tahra Sabir
- g) Deputy Superintendent
 - Dr. Kandace Jordan
- h) Recording Secretary
 - Kristy Polet

Absent:

- c) Trustees
 - Barry Kletke
- f) Associate Superintendent
 - Wes Miskiman

2.0 Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:35 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.

Chair Initials _____ Secretary Treasurer Initials _____

4.0 In Camera

4.1 In Camera

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1001

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:36 a.m.

4.2 Out of In Camera

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1002

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 9:53 a.m.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

5.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1003

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as amended with the addition under Action Item: 9.4 Alberta School Boards' Insurance Exchange (ASBIE)

6.0 Welcome Public, Vision and Mission Statements

7.0 Presentation of Minutes

7.1 Regular Minutes of October 22, 2019

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1004

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Minutes of October 22, 2019.

7.2 Special Minutes of November 14, 2019

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1005

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the Special Minutes of November 14, 2019.

8.0 REPORTS

A) Chair's Report

Chair Huntley presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) Fall Event held November 15-16, 2019 and the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) FGM, held November 17-19, 2019, which all Trustees attended.

B) Board Committees

Vice Chair Mertz, presented information on Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 meeting that was held November 1, 2019.

- Chair Mertz mentioned, because she has a seat on the Zone 5 Board, GHSD is permitted to have two other members attend the meetings. Trustee Northcott will attend the December 6, 2019 meeting.

Trustee Kletke had no new information at this time to report on from the Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA).

C) Board Representatives to External Organizations

Nothing to Report on at this time.

D) Administration Reports

Deputy Superintendent Jordan presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed Powering Possibilities podcasts that are posted on the Powerful Learning website. Link: <http://powerfullearning.ca/>
- Administration Appointment - Golden Hills School Division appointed Stephen Marsh to the position of Acting Associate Principal of Trochu Valley School commencing January 6, 2020 - January 30, 2021.
- Division Office Administration will begin visiting schools week of December 2, 2019.

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed the demolition of three Golden Hills schools:
 - Standard School – demolition and abatement 90% complete.
 - Hussar School - demolition and abatement 51% complete, approximately four-six weeks until completion.
 - Central Bow Valley – demolition and abatement 25% complete, approximately two-three months until completion.
- Discussed Lead issues as scene in the media, Golden Hills will be testing our schools.
- Choice in Education - discussion group that Secretary Treasurer Sabir is a member, would like to strengthen parent voice.

Superintendent Daverne presented information on the following topics:

- Discussed School Council Meeting that took place on November 12, 2019 at Division Office, thank you to the following parent councils that attended:
 - Greentree, Drumheller Valley Secondary School, Prairie Christian Academy, Carbon School, Acme School, George Freeman, Wheatland Crossing, Carseland School and Trochu Valley School.
- Acting Administration Appointment - Stephen Marsh to the position of Acting Associate Principal of Trochu Valley School.
- Carseland School - Lunch Program began October 28, 2019.
- Carseland Busy Bee Preschool Association was the recipient of the Community Initiative Program grant from the Government of Alberta for \$53,415.00. The program is looking forward to a start date of Monday, December 2, 2019.
- December 17, 2019 Board meeting will include a Christmas Luncheon with Division Office and Maintenance Staff.

Lunch

Recessed at 12:00 p.m.

Reconvened at 12:36 p.m.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

A) Action Items

9.1 Audited Financial Statements Year Ending August 31, 2019 (T. Sabir)

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1006

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees approves the 2018-19 amounts on the Audited Financial Statements for the year ending August 31, 2019 to be transferred to unrestricted as follows:

- Transfer from Capital Reserves to unrestricted surplus in the amount of \$1,014,000;
- Transfer from Operating Reserves to unrestricted surplus in the amount of \$400,000.
- Both of these transfers are for the purpose of funding Board capital asset additions.

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1007

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the Audited Financial Statements for the year ending August 31, 2019 for submission to Alberta Education by November 30, 2019 subject to the Board being advised of any minor adjustments, which may be necessary before the budget is submitted to Alberta Education November 30, 2019.

9.2 Budget Submission 2019-2020 (T. Sabir)

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1008

MOVED by Trustee Mertz that the Board of Trustees approve Budget 2019-20 for submission to Alberta Education by November 30, 2019 as required subject to the Board being advised of any minor adjustments, which may be necessary before the budget is submitted to Alberta Education November 30, 2019.

9.3 2018-21 Three Year Education Plan and AERR (B. Daverne)

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1009

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees approve the Three Year Education Plan 2019-2022 and Annual Education Results Report for submission to Alberta Education November 29, 2019.

9.4 Alberta School Boards' Insurance Exchange (ASBIE) (B. Daverne)

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1010

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that as a result of overall insurance premiums tripling, the Board of Trustees are directing our administration to enter into a dialogue with the Alberta School Boards Insurance Exchange (ASBIE) and explore all our options.

B) Information Items

9.5 Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report (October 2019) (T. Sabir)

Recommendation:

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Report for October 2019.

9.6 Regional Collaborative Service Delivery (RCSD) Report (K. Jordan)

Recommendation:

Deputy Superintendent Jordan presented Regional Collaborative Service Delivery (RCSD) information, which is a coordination of health and support services, provided to students and their families with special needs within their own communities.

9.7 International Program Report (K. Jordan)

Recommendation:

Deputy Superintendent Jordan presented information on Golden Hills International Program, which provides opportunity for our resident students to experience global competencies by interacting with students from around the world.

9.8 Special/Inclusive Education Report (K. Jordan)

Recommendation:

Deputy Superintendent Jordan presented information on Special/Inclusive Education that provides support and services to ensure that our students with diverse learning needs receives a quality education and ensuring them the opportunity to best achieve their potential.

10.0 School Monitoring Reports

10.1 Crowther Memorial Jr. High (L. Tucker/C. Lenox/R. Hunter) 1:00 pm

Recommendation:

Superintendent Daverne welcomed Principal, L. Tucker, Associate Principal, C. Lenox and Associate Principal, R. Hunter, who presented their schools current education plan, new programs being introduced and school involvement within the community. Superintendent Daverne and Chair Huntley thanked them for their informative presentation.

10.2 George Freeman School (W. Funk/J. MacDonald) 1:15 pm

Recommendation:

Superintendent Daverne welcomed Principal, W. Funk and Associate Principal, J. MacDonald, who presented their schools current education plan, new programs being introduced and school involvement within the community. Superintendent Daverne and Chair Huntley thanked them for their informative presentation.

10.3 Strathmore High School) (K. Larson/K. Mertz/A. Barwacz-Riou) 1:30 pm

Recommendation:

Superintendent Daverne welcomed Principal, K. Larson and Associate Principal, A. Barwacz - Riou, who presented their schools current education plan, new programs being introduced and school involvement with the community. Superintendent Daverne and Chair Huntley thanked them for their informative presentation.

11.0 Guest

11.1 Avail LLP Chartered Professional Accountants (C. Deaust) 10:00 am Recommendation:

The New Audit Committee convened on Monday, November 25, 2019. As per the requirements of the Education Act, the Audit Committee includes (2) two members of the public, (3) three trustees and (2) administration and (1) one auditor
Chandra Deaust, CPA, CA (Avail CPA - Chartered Accountant) was in attendance to present the Audited Financial Statements for year ending August 31, 2019 and answer Trustee questions regarding the audit process and Audited Financial Statements.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

12.1 Adjournment

Recommendation: #BD20191126.1010

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees adjourn at 2:21 p.m.

Chair

Secretary Treasurer