



MINUTES

Golden Hills School Division

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Location: Boardroom of the Golden Hills School Division

Start Time: 9:30 AM

Wednesday, August 23, 2023 (10:30 AM)

1.0 Attendance

Present:

a) Chair

- Laurie Huntley

b) Vice Chair

- Jen Mertz

c) Trustees

- Barry Kletke
- Jim Northcott
- Justin Bolin
- Rob Pirie

d) Superintendent

- Bevan Daverne

f) Associate Superintendent

- Jeff Grimsdale

g) Secretary Treasurer

- Tahra Sabir

h) Recording Secretary

- Kristy Polet

Absent:

e) Deputy Superintendent

- Wes Miskiman

2.0 Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:52 a.m.

3.0 Acknowledgment

In the spirit of reconciliation, we acknowledge that we live, work and play on the traditional territories of the Blackfoot Confederacy (Siksika, Kainai, Piikani), the Tsuut'ina, the Îyâxe Nakoda Nations, the Métis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

4.0 In Camera

4.1 In Camera

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2001

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:53 a.m.

4.2 Out of In Camera

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2002

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 11:30 a.m.

Recessed at 11:30 a.m.

Reconvened at 11:45 a.m.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

5.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2003

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented.

6.0 Welcome Public, Vision and Mission Statements

7.0 Presentation of Minutes

7.1 Special Minutes of June 14, 2023

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2004

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the Special Minutes of June 14, 2023 as presented.

7.2 Regular Minutes of June 20, 2023

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2005

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Minutes of June 20, 2023 as presented.

8.0 REPORTS

A) Chair's Report

Chair Huntley presented information on the following topics:

- Shali Baziuk, ASBA Vice President, will be running for the position again.
- Chair Huntley discussed and suggested that the Board of Trustees meet with the UCP MLA of Chestermere-Strathmore, Chantelle de Jonge as some point.

B) Board Committees

No information to be presented at this time.

C) Board Representatives to External Organizations

Trustee Bolin presented information on the Public School Boards Association of Alberta (PSBAA) meeting that was held August 9-11, 2023 in Medicine Hat, AB.

- Guest Speaker for the Professional Learning Session was Mark Davidson, Superintendent of Medicine Hat Public School Division, discussed Framing a Community Conversation.
- Tour of Medicine Hat High School with the former Associate Superintendent, Boris Grisonich.
- Blanket Exercise was led by David Restoule, Janis Favel and Robert Turner.
- Toured the Medicine Hat Modernization Project.

Trustee Pirie presented information on the Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5.

- Friday, September 8, 2023 - Professional Development Day will be hosted at Golden Hills School Division with Trustee, Melyssa Bowen from Rockyview School Division presenting.
- September 27, 2023, ASBA will be hosting a virtual session with Political Advisor, Matt Solberg, Partner and Political Advisor with New West Public Affairs.

D) Administration Reports

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following topics:

- Facilities Update:
 - Wheatland Crossing Fitness Centre - roof complete, installing windows and cladding will be completed next.
 - Modular Relocation from Westmount School to Wheatland Crossing - buildings are on site and are being setup for occupancy.
 - Storefront and Learning Academy - sewer line has been replaced, furniture will hopefully arrive the week of September 4, 2023.
 - Trinity Christian Academy parking lot - is in the final phases of being complete, will be ready for the start of the school year.
 - Trinity Christian Academy office addition - weather pending and they are doing as much as possible before the snow comes. A lot of the work may be pushed back to spring 2024.
 - Prairie Christian Academy parking lot - almost complete.
 - Wheatland Elementary School - work being done on the amphitheater area.
 - Strathmore High School - parking lot upgrade has been put on hold, received quote for new theatre seats, came in higher than expected, suggested to get more quotes.
 - Greentree School - Condensing unit has been installed.
 - Trochu Maintenance Shop - HVAC System upgrade being worked on.
 - Division Office Roof Fix - 95% complete.
 - Dr. Elliott School - undergoing electrical upgrades.
 - Crowther Memorial Jr. High - renovated washrooms.
 - Caretaking supplies prices have escalated.
- Transportation Update:
 - 3,000 + students will be using transportation services this year.
 - Ongoing driver training, currently there are four applicants scheduled for training.
 - Transportation will be hosting a Professional Development Day on August 21, 22 and 23, 2023 at Division Office for all the drivers.
- Finance Update:
 - Avail will be starting audit work soon.

Associate Superintendent Grimsdale presented information on the following topics:

- Nutrition programs will continue at Wheatland Crossing, Carseland, Carbon, Greentree and Storefront.
- Summer School at NorthStar Academy and Learning Academy had approximately 768 students enrolled.
- Technology Update - New computers and photocopiers have been rolled out over the summer.
- Wheatland Crossing School is in the process of starting the Wheatland Little Coyotes Play and Learn Program.

Superintendent Daverne presented information on the following topics:

- Teacher position shortages.
- Superintendent Daverne thanked the Board of Trustees for his time as Superintendent of Golden Hills School Division and wished them well in the future.

Recessed at 12:21 p.m.

Reconvened at 1:01 p.m.

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

A) Action Items

9.1 Board Annual Leadership Plan 2023-2024 (B. Daverne)

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2006

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees approve the Board's Annual Leadership Plan subject to the necessity for ongoing changes as a result of internal and external influences.

9.2 Locally Developed and/or Acquired Courses and approvals for Semester I (J. Grimsdale)

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2007

MOVED by Trustee Kletke that the Board of Trustees authorize the use of the acquired locally developed courses and any learning resources detailed in the course outline for use in Golden hills School Division.

- Religious Studies (Koinonia) 15 & 25 (3 & 5 credits) 35 (5 credits only), September 1, 2023, until August 31, 2027, NorthStar Academy and Prairie Christian Academy.
- Prenatal 15, September 1, 2023, until August 31, 2027, Golden Hills Learning Academy and Strathmore Storefront.

9.3 Appointment of Auditors (T. Sabir)

Recommendation: BD#20230823.2008

MOVED by Trustee Northcott that the Board of Trustees approve the reappointment of Avail CPA as auditors for the fiscal years of 2022/2023, 2023/2024 and 2024/2025.

B) Information Items

9.4 Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report (June 2023) (T. Sabir)

Recommendation:

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report for June 2023 to the Board of Trustees.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Adjournment

Recommendation: **BD#20230823.2009**

The Board of Trustees adjourn at 1:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

Chair Initials _____ Secretary Treasurer Initials _____