



# MINUTES

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## Golden Hills School Division

### Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Location: Boardroom of the Golden Hills School Division

Start Time: 9:30 AM

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

#### 1.0 Attendance

##### Present:

##### a) Chair

- Laurie Huntley

##### b) Vice Chair

- Jen Mertz (via Zoom)

##### c) Trustees

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

##### d) Superintendent

- Jeff Grimsdale

##### e) Deputy Superintendent

- Wes Miskiman

##### f) Secretary Treasurer

- Tahra Sabir

##### g) Recording Secretary

- Kristy Polet

#### 2.0 Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM.

#### 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 Stoney Nakoda Nations, the Métis Nation (District 3 and 4), 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#20240827.2001**

**MOVED by Trustee Kletke** that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:52 AM.

Carried

##### 4.2 Out of In Camera

**Recommendation: BD#20240827.2002**

**MOVED by Trustee Kletke** that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 10:46 AM.

Carried

- Deputy Superintendent Miskiman excused himself due to a prior commitment.

Recessed at 10:46 AM.

Reconvened at 11:00 AM

#### 5.0 Approval of Agenda

##### 5.1 Approval of Agenda

**Recommendation: BD#20240827.2003**

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

Carried

#### 6.0 Welcome Public, Vision and Mission Statements

#### 7.0 Presentation of Minutes

##### 7.1 Regular Minutes of June 18, 2024

**Recommendation: BD#20240824.2004**

**MOVED by Trustee Bolin** that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Minutes of June 18, 2024, as presented.

Carried

#### 8.0 REPORTS

##### A) Chair's Report

Chair Huntley presented information on the following topics:

- All correspondence has been forwarded to all Trustees over the summer.
- Public School Board s' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) hosted Promote Elevate Protect (PEP) Public School Education, Zoom meeting on Friday, August 23, 2024.
  - Chair Huntley and Superintendent Grimsdale took part.

- PEP is intended to support efforts in areas by addressing issues such as funding inequalities, achievement gaps, and educational disparities. During the Board meeting, the Trustees watched the video.
- PSBAA Fall General Meeting will take place October 16-18, 2024, in Edmonton, AB. They are asking for prize donations for the silent auction that will take place at the Lois Hole Dinner. All proceeds will go to the Lois Holes Hospital for Women.

**B) Board Committees**

No information at this time.

**C) Board Representatives to External Organizations**

Trustee Kletke had no new information to present regarding the Public School Boards ' Association of Alberta (PSBAA).

Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 will be held at Golden Hills School Division on Friday, September 6, 2024.

Trustee Northcott presented information on Rural School Board Caucus (RSBC).

- Meetings were held throughout the summer, reviewed policies and concentrating on the "Rural" aspects.

**D) Administration Reports**

**Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following items:**

Facilities:

- PowerPoint was provided with progress pictures of Acme construction and other school summer projects.
- Acme Replacement School - piles are being drilled and poured each day.
- Trinity Christian Academy Administrative Addition has run into challenges, working through them.
- Wheatland Crossing Fitness Centre - is complete, waiting for final occupancy approval.
- Strathmore Dorms Roof Replacement - work has been completed, windows and frames need to be replaced in the near future.
- Strathmore High School Washroom renovation - will not be completed by the start of school, main floor washrooms are accessible.
- Strathmore High School Theatre - carpet and new seats have been replaced.
- Learning Academy will be moving from its current location of 116<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave to 435B Hwy 1, attached to Division Office building.

Transportation:

- Current training group has four drivers, they are taking their tests, there are routes for all of them.
- Transportation has a full time Trainer/Instructor.
- Student registration for busing is going smooth.

**Superintendent Grimsdale presented on the following topics:**

- COLT Group attended the College of Alberta School Superintendents (CASS/ASBOA) Summer Learning Conference that was held August 14-16, 2024, in Edmonton.
- Collaborative Day took place August 29, 2024.
- New Teacher Orientation will take place September 18, 2024.
- New draft Social Studies Curriculum – 29 teachers are involved in the pilot.
- Signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Prairie College to offer Dual Credit opportunities for our students.
- Acme Replacement school update – lots of activity at the school site, pilings are going in the ground, and they are starting the cribbing and forming the grade beams.

Recessed at 12:13 PM.

Reconvened at 12:49 PM.

**9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

**A) Action Items**

**9.1 Board Annual Leadership Plan 2024/2025 (J. Grimsdale)**

**Recommendation: BD#20240827.2005**

**MOVED by Trustee Mertz** 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.

Carried

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

**Recommendation: BD#20240827.2006**

**MOVED by Trustee Northcott** that the Board of Trustees authorizes the use of the acquired locally developed courses and any learning resources detailed in the course outline for use in Golden Hills School Division.

- Punjabi Language and Culture Twelve-Year (12Y) (5 credits only), September 1, 2024, until August 31, 2026, Golden Hills Learning Academy and Strathmore Storefront.

Carried

**B) Information Items**

**9.3 Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report (June 2024) (T. Sabir)**

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the Monthly Enrolment Monitoring Report for June 2024 to the Board of Trustees.

**9.4 School Bus Driver Competency Grant - Update (T. Sabir)**

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the School Bus Driver Competency Grant Update that came into effect April 1, 2024, as information and for the record.

**9.5 Budget 2024/2025 - Update (T. Sabir)**

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented updated information on the 2024/2025 Budget as information and for the record.

**9.6 Administrative Procedure (J. Grimsdale)**

Superintendent Grimsdale reviewed *AP 145 - Personal Mobile Devices and Access to social media* to the Board of Trustees as information and for the record.

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT**

**10.1 Adjournment**

**Recommendation: BD#20240827.2007**

The Board of Trustees adjourned at 1:18 PM.

Carried

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Chair

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Secretary Treasurer