

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, September 24, 2024 (9:30 AM)

1.0 Attendance

Present:

- a) Chair
 - Laurie Huntley
- b) Vice Chair
 - Jen Mertz (via Zoom)
- c) Trustees
 - Barry Kletke (via Zoom at 9:51 AM)
 - Justin Bolin
 - Rob Pirie
 - Jim Northcott
- d) Superintendent
 - Jeff Grimsdale
- f) Secretary Treasurer
 - Tahra Sabir
- g) Recording Secretary
 - Kristy Polet

Absent:

- e) Deputy Superintendent
 - Wes Miskiman

2.0 Call to Order

Chair Huntley called the meeting to order at 9:37 AM.

3.0 Acknowledgment

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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#20240924.1001

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees go In Camera at 9:38 AM.

Carried

4.2 Out of In Camera

Recommendation: BD#20240924.1002

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees rise from In Camera at 10:15 AM. Carried

Recessed at 10:15 AM Reconvened at 10:23 AM

5.0 Approval of Agenda

5.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: BD#20240924.1003

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 Organizational Minutes of August 27, 2024

Recommendation: BD#20240924.1004

MOVED by Trustee Bolin that the Board of Trustees approve the Organizational Minutes of August 27, 2024, as presented.

Carried

7.2 Regular Minutes of August 27, 2024

Recommendation: BD#20240924.1005

MOVED by Trustee Pirie that the Board of Trustees approve the Regular Minutes of August 27, 2024, as presented.

Carried

8.0 REPORTS

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A) Chair's Report

Chair Huntley presented information on the following topics:

- Alberta School Board Association (ASBA) Zone 5 September 17, 2024, email to representatives - next meeting, October 4, 2024, will focus on position statement information.
- ASBA Professional Learning session, September 16, 2024, Implementing Responsible AI in K-12.
- Discussed Honourable Danielle Smiths' Funding Announcement made on September 17, 2024.
- ASBA Board Chairs Meeting September 25, 2024, focus on funding model.
- Discussed suggestions for response to new charter and private school funding.
- October Board Meeting date change, October 29, 2024.
- Discussed social media for Golden Hills School Division.
- Discussed social media content from Public School Boards' Association of Alberta (PSBAA) monthly messaging.
- ASBA will be hosting a virtual session on Municipal Affairs Statutes Amendment Act, Bill
 This legislation makes a number of amendments to the Local Authorities Election Act that impacts trustees.
- Municipal Election Survey has been completed on September 20, 2024.

B) Board Committees

No information to report on 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).

PSBAA Fall Conference takes place October 16-18, 2024, in Edmonton, AB.

Trustee Northcott presented information on Alberta School Boards Association (ASBA) Zone 5 that was held September 6, 2024.

- ASBA President, Marilyn Dennis discussed:
 - o New initiative link to executive updates on ASBA website
 - Meeting with Minister of Technology and Innovation
 - o AI, highspeed internet, cellphone use
 - News releases additional investments and mental health dollars
 - Modular investments
 - Board Chairs Engagement, September 25, 2024, in Calgary
 - Position Statement Framework and writers guide
 - Zone 5 Financial Statements, GST discussion.

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Trustee Pirie presented updates on his ASBA Directors report:

- Discussed proposed revisions to Governance Policies, Position Statements, these will be presented at the ASBA FGM November 17-19, 2024.
- Alberta School Employee Benefit Plan (ASEBP) discussion regarding fees.

D) Administration Reports

Secretary Treasurer Sabir presented information on the following items:

Transportation:

- Experiencing driver shortage, three routes are using relief drivers.
- Current training group has three candidates.
- Fuel prices are around \$1.38
- Transportation has a full time Trainer/Instructor.

Facilities:

- PowerPoint was provided with progress pictures of Acme construction and other school projects.
- Acme Replacement School piles are being drilled along with grade beam framework.
- Trinity Christian Academy Administrative Addition almost complete, awaiting final inspections.
- Strathmore High School Washroom Renovations 95% complete, passed all inspections, waiting for some final material.
- Strathmore Dorms Roof Replacement work is complete.
- Strathmore Dorms Skylights Removal work is scheduled to start September 17, 2024.
- Division Office/Learning Academy currently removing three walls, four interior doors, the office space layouts have been finalized with Office Concepts.

Superintendent Grimsdale presented on the following topics:

- September 20, 2024, Leading and Learning Day, held in Three Hills.
- Child and Adolescent Services Association (CASA) Classroom Strathmore Community has been selected, we are exploring the possibilities.
- September 25, 2024 Wheatland Crossing Open House, show casing the new fitness centre.
- September 26, 2024 hosting Professional Development on Facilitating Challenging Situations in School.
- Mobile Device Administrative Procedure in the review process.
- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation September 30, 2024 lots of activities in a range of schools.
- October 1, 2024 New Administrator Orientation

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- Discussed the School Construction Accelerator Program recently announced by the Province.
- First Aide Training Dates on October 18 and November 27, 2024.
- Pre-Retirement Sessions teachers will have the opportunity to participate virtually,
 January, February and March.

Recessed at 11:56 AM Reconvened at 12:33 PM

9.0 NEW BUSINESS

A) Information Items

9.1 Preliminary Enrolment Monitoring Report (T. Sabir)

Secretary Sabir presented information on the Preliminary Enrolment for the month of September 2024, 2025.

9.2 System Enhancement (J. Grimsdale)

Superintendent Grimsdale presented information to the Board of Trustees on how GHSD continues to focus on system improvement by offering teachers and administrators access to high quality professional learning opportunities aimed to optimize achievement for all students.

9.3 Family School Community Resource Program (J. Grimsdale)

Superintendent Grimsdale presented information to the Board of Trustees on how GHSD continues to partner with other agencies to support and provide services to ensure optimal functioning of children and their families in the social-emotional/behavioral domain.

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

11.1 Adjournment

Recommendation: BD#20240924.1006

The Board of Trustees adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Carried

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

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