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Minutes of the Board Meeting of the Trustees of the Edmonton School District No. 7 of the Province of Alberta held in McCauley Chambers in the Centre for Education on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Present:**Trustees**

Orville Chubb
Ken Gibson

Nathan Ip
Cheryl Johner

Ray Martin
Bridget Stirling

Officials

Lisa Austin
Todd Burnstad
Grace Cooke
Ron MacNeil

Kathy Muhlethaler
Lorne Parker
Kent Pharis
Madonna Proulx

Leona Morrison
Darrel Robertson
Sandra Stoddard
Mike Suderman

Acting Board Chair: Ken Gibson

Recording Secretary: Shirley Juneau

Staff Group Representatives

CUPE Local 3550 – Carol Chapman-President, Janis Zielke-Vice-President and Gloria Lepine - Chief Steward

CUPE Local 474 – John Vradenburgh, President

The Acting Board Chair called the meeting to order with recognition that we are on Treaty 6 Territory, a traditional meeting grounds, gathering place, and travelling route to the Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Métis, Dene and Nakota Sioux. We acknowledge all the many First Nations, Métis, and Inuit whose footsteps have marked these lands for centuries.

The Acting Board Chair advised that the firm alarm system at the Centre for Education is a Two Stage alarm system. Stage One is a single repeating alarm tone indicating a warning only and that evacuation is not required. Stage Two is a triple repeating alarm tone indicating that evacuation is required.

A. Roll Call: (2:00 p.m.)

The Superintendent advised that Trustees Draper and Janz were absent. All other Trustees were present.

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B. Approval of the Agenda

MOVED BY Trustee Ip:

**“That the agenda for the November 1, 2016 board meeting be approved as printed.”
(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)**

C. O Canada - Vimy Ridge Academy

D. Remembrance Ceremony

1. Vimy Ridge Academy Remembrance Ceremony

Vimy Ridge Academy conducted a Remembrance Ceremony.

E. Communications from the Board Chair

The Board Chair was not available for this meeting.

F. Communications from the Superintendent of Schools

The Superintendent shared that the Harry Hole Community Policing Award was given to two outstanding Edmontonians for their leadership in supporting community policing, crime prevention and community problem-solving initiatives. The Superintendent was pleased to announce that Mr. Fred Hines, Principal of amiskwacyi Academy was a winner of the Harry Hole Award for 2016.

The Superintendent reported that he had the pleasure of speaking at the Council of School Representatives; Alberta Teachers Association Local 37's meeting.

The Superintendent reported that along with Trustee Martin they had the pleasure of bringing greetings at the Alberta Teachers Association Local 37's New Teacher Induction ceremony.

The Superintendent had the pleasure of attending the Dr. Margaret Ann Armour school opening on October 27, 2016.

The Superintendent reported that he attended 13 Catchment Results Review where he had the opportunity to meet with the principals. The Superintendent shared that the District has very committed staff that go above and beyond in service of children. He explained that schools are examining evidence based strategies; involving on-going job embedded professional development as a means to build collective capacity to address the complex needs in the District's classrooms.

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G. Minutes

1. Board Meeting #2 – October 18, 2016

MOVED BY Trustee Johner:

“That the minutes of Board Meeting #2 held October 18, 2016 be approved as printed.” (UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

H. Comments from the Public and Staff Group Representatives

There were no registered speakers for this item.

I. Reports

2. Strategic Plan Update – Success for All Students - Literacy

The Trustees received a presentation regarding the success for all students.

3. Strategic Plan Update – Success Beyond Schooling

The Trustees received a presentation regarding success beyond schooling.

Trustee Chubb left the meeting at this point.

J. Other Committee, Board Representatives and Trustee Reports

Trustee Johner thanked the Superintendent for the invitation to attend catchment results review. She shared that the catchment results review is a new process that will serve both to improve and reinforce the District's commitment to its priorities and strategic goals.

Trustee Johner shared that she attended the grand opening of the Roberta McAdams School.

Trustee Johner reported that the Academy at King Edward has raised \$1,340 for the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation. To date, \$5,950 has been raised for the Sandra Woitas Scholarship Fund and that the Edmonton Civic Employees' Charitable Assistance Fund gifted \$48,200 for full-day Kindergarten schools to purchase items such as backpacks, shoes, winter clothes and fund field trips.

Trustee Stirling thanked the junior high hockey students at Vimy Ridge Academy for their fundraising efforts to benefit students at Delton School. She explained that the project began when Dao Haddad at Delton asked whether Vimy students could raise money to purchase Oil Kings tickets for 50 children at Delton. Vimy Ridge teacher Curtis Ogrodiuk took up the

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challenge, reaching out to Oil Kings head coach Steve Hamilton (a former Vimy Ridge teacher) and to the hockey teaching team, who pitched the project to the 150 junior high hockey students, telling the students that they needed to raise \$600 to buy the tickets. The Vimy Ridge students went above and beyond, raising \$3141.05 in just four days and gathering more than 100 items of winter clothing for kids who needed warm gear to wear.

Trustee Stirling reported that on October 18, 2016 she was pleased to attend the Ottewell School's School Council meeting. On October 18, 2016, Trustee Stirling also joined the Minister of Advanced Education, Marlin Schmidt, in touring McNally School to observe some of the Career Pathways work at the school.

Trustee Stirling stated that on October 21, 2016 the Metro Continuing Education's English Language students partnered with local chefs from the Edmonton Chefs Association to celebrate International Chefs Day. The *Art on a Plate* event featured crafts and activities from around the world and was planned by the students. She shared that more than 600 students and their families attended the event, joined by special guests including Member of Parliament Linda Duncan. Trustee Stirling thanked the Edmonton Chefs Association for their generous support of this event.

Trustee Stirling reported that on October 26, 2016 Trustees Ip and Janz joined her in welcoming parents and community members to the annual Alberta School Councils Association (ASCA) training which was hosted at the Centre for Education. Trustee Stirling thanked the ASCA and District staff for organizing the opportunity for school council members to learn more about their role as important partners in education.

Trustee Stirling shared that she was attended the celebration of the opening of Dr. Margaret-Ann Armour School along with other Trustees, representatives of all orders of government, District and school staff, families, community members, and friends of Dr. Armour.

K. Trustee and Board Requests for Information - None

L. Notices of Motion

MOVED BY Trustee Gibson:

"That notice of motion be waived."

(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

MOVED BY Trustee Martin:

"That, the Board authorizes a medical absence for Trustee Sherry Adams effective November 1, 2016 through to January 31, 2017."

(UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED)

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M. **Next Board Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.**

N. **Adjournment (4:40 p.m.)**

The Acting Board Chair adjourned the meeting.

Ken Gibson, Acting Board Chair

Dr. Sandra Stoddard, Executive Director
Governance and Strategic Support
Services/Corporate Secretary