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**TO:** Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Darrel Robertson, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:** Bereavements

**ORIGINATOR:** David Fraser, Executive Director, Corporate Services

**RESOURCE STAFF:** Cheryl Singer

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#### **ISSUE**

To acknowledge the death of two former trustees; Mrs. Rose Rosenberger and Mrs. Jean Woodrow, and two current staff members; Mrs. Gail Leslie and Mrs. Karen Harries.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Mrs. Rose Rosenberger passed away on October 7, 2013, at the age of 67 years.

She served the District as a Trustee from 1989 through to 1995. Mrs. Rosenberger is survived by her husband Ron, and sons Ian and Mark (1973-2012).

Mrs. Jean Woodrow passed away October 13, 2013, at the age of 83 years.

Mrs. Woodrow served as Trustee for three terms, October 1992 to October 1995, October 1995 to October 1998 and October 2001 to October 2004. She also served three terms as the Board Vice-Chair. Mrs. Woodrow is survived by her husband Dennis.

Mrs. Gail Leslie passed away October 15, 2013, at the age of 62 years.

Mrs. Leslie began her career with Edmonton Public Schools in 1985 as a member of the support staff group and held secretarial and administrative assistant positions at Steinhauer, Killarney, Outreach Programs, Norwood, Dickinsfield, Windsor Park, Glenrose and Evansdale schools. She also held positions within the exempt staff group serving as Executive Secretary in District Technology and then Consultant-Support Staff. At the time of her death she was the Business Manager at Hospital School Campuses. Mrs. Leslie is survived by her husband David, daughter Amy Leslie and son James Leslie.

Mrs. Karen Harries passed away November 7, 2013, at the age of 59 years.

Mrs. Harries began her career with Edmonton Public Schools in 1977. She held teaching positions at M.E. LaZerte, Avalon and Lynnwood schools. Mrs. Harries also served at Strathcona School and held the positions of teacher and department head. Mrs. Harries was a teacher at Strathcona at the time of her death. Mrs. Harries is survived by husband Bruce, daughter Stephanie and son Lucas.

**CURRENT SITUATION**

A floral arrangement has been sent to the family of Mrs. Rosenberger on behalf of the Administration and Board of Trustees.

A memorial donation in honour of Mrs. Woodrow has been made on behalf of the Administration and Board of Trustees to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

A memorial donation in honour of Mrs. Leslie has been made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Alberta on behalf of the Administration and Board of Trustees.

A memorial donation in honour of Mrs. Harries has been made to the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation.

**KEY POINTS**

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**ATTACHMENTS & APPENDICES**

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