

DATE: April 7, 2015

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Darrel Robertson, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Board Authorization of Trustee Absence

ORIGINATOR: Dr. Sandra Stoddard, Executive Director Governance and Strategic Support Services

REFERENCE: [School Act](#) Section 82(1)(h)

ISSUE

Trustee Hoffman is seeking Board approval for a leave from her duties as Trustee for twenty-eight (28) days. She will be absent for the period of April 7, 2015 to May 5, 2015 inclusive and has requested a resolution granting permission for her absence from board meetings be approved at public board.

Trustee Hoffman has indicated that during this timeframe, her honorarium as Trustee will be donated to the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation. As Board Chair, Trustee Janz will assume her Ward G duties during her absence.

RECOMMENDATION

That Board authorization for Trustee Hoffman to be absent from board meetings from April 7, 2015 to May 5, 2015 inclusive be approved.

BACKGROUND

Section 82(1)(h) of the *School Act* states: *A person is disqualified from remaining as a trustee of a board if that person absents himself or herself, without being authorized by a resolution of the board to do so, from 3 consecutive regular meetings of the board, unless the person's absence is due to illness and the person provides evidence of that illness in the form of a medical certificate respecting the period of the person's absence.*

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