

Horizon School Division No. 67

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The Board of Trustees of Horizon School Division No. 67 held its Regular Board meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2013 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Eric Johnson Room

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Audrey Krizsan, Board Chair
Derek Baron, Board Vice-Chair
Marie Logan, Bruce Francis, Sharon Holtman, Jennifer Crowson
Terry Michaelis

ALSO PRESENT: Cheryl Gilmore, Superintendent of Schools
John Rakai, Associate Superintendent of Finance & Operations
Dave Driscoll, Associate Superintendent of Programs & Services
Wilco Tymensen, Associate Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
Trevor Busch, Taber Times

ACTION ITEMS

Moved by Marie Logan that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Carried Unanimously	AGENDA APPROVED 08/13
Moved by Bruce Francis that the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held Tuesday, January 22, 2013 as provided in Enclosure 1 of the agenda. Carried Unanimously	REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES APPROVED 09/13
Moved by Derek Baron that the Board approve the Payment of Accounts report in the amount of \$3,770,039.13 as provided in Enclosure 2 of the agenda. Carried Unanimously	PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS REPORT APPROVED 10/13

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Horizon Transformation Agenda Update – Cheryl Gilmore

Cheryl Gilmore provided the following update in regards to the Transformation Agenda:

- **Learning Focus sub-committee:** The committee met to review the provincial draft standards for curriculum development for the purpose of providing informed feedback to the province.
- **Early Literacy sub-committee:** Professional learning opportunities were provided to teachers as well as parents. The purpose of the professional learning for teachers is to explore best practice strategies in the classroom at a universal level.
- **Inclusive Learning sub-committee:** The committee has accomplished a great deal with the development of roles/responsibilities for all members of an inclusive learning, identification of student needs, and outline of services that will meet those needs.

Ms. Gilmore also referred to the work the jurisdiction is doing with regard to Digital Literacy, Early Learning, Inclusion and Continuum of Support Services.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Superintendent's Progress Report

Hutterian Colony Meeting

Horizon hosted the annual meeting for Hutterian Colony Elders. A financial report was presented. Gary Bradbury presented student results on provincial achievement tests, discussed the 2013-14 school calendar, and presented the Colony Schools focus on professional learning.

Administrators Meeting

Administrator professional learning for the February Administrators' meeting focused on presenting models of school early literacy program, and looking at the draft standards for curriculum development. The upcoming AISI PD Day in March was discussed with planning moving toward alignment of professional learning with jurisdiction priorities. Principals had the opportunity to explore trends and issues in a roundtable discussion and an update on provincial direction on inclusive learning was presented.

Barnwell School Value Management Session

Attended a very productive two day value management session at Barnwell School to explore potential parameters for a capital project should the province consider approving one in the future. The principal, staff, parents, student, Village and M. D. of Taber representatives can be commended for a well prepared delivery of community capacity.

Professional Learning - The Superintendent attended College of Alberta School Superintendent zone meetings.

2. Trustee/Committee Reports:

2.1 ASBA Zone 6 Report – Marie Logan, Zone 6 Representative provided information from the Zone 6 meeting which was held January, 16, 2013 and included the following highlights:

- Edwin Parr Award selection committee process and general update;
 - Deadline April 5, 2013
 - Interviews April 24, 2013
- April 10, 2013 ASBA Workshop – Public Sector Accounting Standards, Budgeting during times of fiscal restraints and results based budgeting
- Presentations – March Meeting
 - Canada Wide Science Fair
 - Fast forward - High School Flexibility Project
- Trustee Handbook development in Palliser
- Palliser has received a Wellness Fund grant and will be hiring a Healthy Schools Coach
- Galbraith Elementary School, Lethbridge – centennial anniversary celebrations
- Holy Spirit – three year plan development involving staff and parents
- Catherine W. Fraser successful in Medicine Public Trustee By-election

2.2 Facilities Committee Report – Jennifer Crowson, Facilities Committee Chair, provided updates on work undertaken during the past month within the Facilities Department as provided in the handout that was distributed. The report included the following information:

- Vauxhall Bus Garage/Horizon Mennonite Alternative Program (MAP) Renovation update
- Grassy Lake – New Arden T. Litt Centre
- 2013 IMR Project Planning
- Miscellaneous Work Projects that took place since the Christmas break
- Value Management Session at Barnwell and Warner School
- Three year Capital Plan 2014-2017
- School Facilities Planning Document, 2012/2013 - 2022/2034

2.3 February Administrators' Meeting Review

Sharon Holtman provided a brief review of the Administrators' Meeting that took place on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 in the Eric Johnson Room. Highlights included the following:

- Recognition for Barnwell School and Taber Christian School
- Early Literacy Intervention Plans
- Draft Standards for Provincial Curriculum Development
- May Administrators' Meeting date change
- Trends and Issues (Parent expectations, Discipline, No zero policy)
- Curriculum Redesign update
- March 4, 2013 AISI PD day
- Technology update
- Inclusive Learning Committee update
- Horizon Policy HICA (Off-site Activities) review

The next Administrators' Meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Eric Johnson Room. Terry Michaelis will be the trustee representative attending from the Board.

3. Associate Superintendent of Finance and Operations Report

John Rakai provided a report and update as follows:

- Attended the Colony Elders meeting
- Attended the Value Management Facility Discussion meeting in Barnwell
- Facilities Manager Position succession planning
- Preliminary preparation for 2013 – 2014 budget

4. Associate Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Report

Wilco Tymensen updated the Board on Alberta Education's Curriculum Redesign. The presentation showed how the province's work with Inspiring Education is being used as the impetus for Curriculum Redesign. The draft goals and standards for K-12 education, draft standards and guidelines for curriculum development, as well as draft competency indicators and draft literacy and numeracy benchmarks were shared. Implications for teachers were also discussed.

COMMITTEE ITEMS

Moved by Derek Baron that the Board meet in Committee. Carried Unanimously	COMMITTEE 11/13
Moved by Sharon Holtman that the meeting reconvene. Carried Unanimously	RECONVENE 12/13
Moved by Jennifer Crowson that the meeting adjourn Carried Unanimously	MEETING ADJOURNED 13/13

Chair

Secretary