

Eastern School Board

November 1, 2006

1. OPENING

A meeting of Eastern School Board took place on Wednesday, November 1, 2006, at Carbonear Collegiate, Carbonear. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by the Chairperson, Mr. Peach.

Members present: Mr. Milton Peach, Chair
Dr. Jim Hearn, Vice Chair
Mr. Ken Best
Mr. Don Blackmore
Mr. Chris Hammond
Mr. Melvin Lambe
Mr. Rick Martin
Mr. Jack Murphy
Mr. Jerry Rice
Mr. Eric A. Snow
Mr. Derek Winsor

Absent with regrets: Dr. Ed Brown
Dr. David Dibbon
Ms. Rosalind Robere
Mr. George Sheppard

Also in attendance: Dr. Darin King, CEO/Director of Education
Mr. Allister Dyke, Assistant Director, Human Resources
Mr. Darrin Pike, Assistant Director, Programs
Mr. Eric C. Snow, Assistant Director, Finance
Mr. Ed Walsh, Assistant Director, Rural Schools
Ms. Mary Tucker, Manager of Communications
Ms. Gwen Hurley, Executive/Corporate Assistant

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Ken Best, that the agenda be adopted as presented. Carried.

3. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Ken Best, that the minutes of the School Board Meeting of October 4, 2006, be adopted as presented. Carried.

A discussion was held regarding 5.1. Mr. Best requested that it be noted that he voted against the policy on the basis of the impact it may have on school fundraising efforts. It was decided that minutes would not reflect reasons for voting.

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

4.1 There was no business arising

5. **REPORT FROM COMMITTEES**

5.1 **Programs – October 23, 2006**

Motion: Moved by Melvin Lambe, seconded by Derek Winsor, that the Board approve the Terms of Reference for the Programs Committee (*attached*). Carried.

Motion: Moved by Melvin Lambe, seconded by Rick Martin, that the Board approve Policy IJOAB(A): Student Travel. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Melvin Lambe, seconded by Rick Martin, that the Board approve Policy EHC: Distribution of Information. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Melvin Lambe, seconded by Ken Best, that the Board approve Policy KE: Public Complaints. Carried.

5.2 **Finance – October 23, 2006**

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Chris Hammond, that the Board approve the Terms of Reference for the Finance & Property Committee (*attached*). Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Chris Hammond, that, subject to the property title and the status of the Church under the Document of Integration, the School Board offer the land and the building of the former St. Thomas School, Grand LePierre, to the Church or a nominal

amount based upon a requirement that the Board be provided with a release and indemnity against any environmental liability. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Eric A. Snow, that the School Board retain the piece of property adjacent to Pearce Junior High until the school closes in 2010, at which time the Board will make a final decision on whether to dispose of this asset. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Eric A. Snow, that the Revised Budget Status Report for the three months ended September 30, 2006, be approved as presented. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Jim Hearn, that the School Board approve a 36 month lease in the approximate value of \$130,000 for the replacement of 80 laptop computers. Carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- 7.1 **Report from Education Foundation.** Mr. Jerry Rice, Chair of the Foundation, advised the Board that the Foundation will be hiring an Executive Director on a part time contractual position until the end of the year.

Mr. Rice encouraged all Trustees and staff to forward 10 contacts of businesses that may be approached to sponsor the golf tournament set for June 2007.

- 7.2 **International Education.** Mr. Ed Walsh, Assistant Director, Rural Education and Corporate Affairs, presented an overview of Newfoundland International Student Education Program (NISEP).

- 7.3 **Achievement Results Presentation.** Mr. Darrin Pike, Assistant Director, Programs, gave an overview of the district's CRT results for 2006. It was agreed that the Public Exam results would be reviewed at the next meeting.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Dr. King presented a monthly report providing highlights of activities for the past month. The Director was requested to seek a meeting with the ISSP Pathways Commission at a later date.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. on a motion by Jim Hearn.