

Eastern School Board

June 13, 2007

1. OPENING

A meeting of Eastern School Board took place on Wednesday, June 13, 2007, at St. Catherine's Academy, Mount Carmel. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 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. 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. Ed Walsh, Assistant Director, Rural Schools
Ms. Mary Tucker, Manager of Communications
Ms. Gwen Hurley, Executive/Corporate Assistant

The Chair welcomed Mr. Roy Payne, School Council, in the Placentia area.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Moved by Ken Best, seconded by Rick Martin, that the agenda be adopted as amended. Carried.

3. **CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

Motion: Moved by Rick Martin, seconded by Derek Winsor, that the minutes of the School Board Meeting of May 16, 2007, be adopted as presented. Carried.

4. **BUSINESS ARISING**

4.1 **Newfoundland International Education Student Education Program (NISEP) Report.** Mr. Ed Walsh, Assistant Director with responsibilities for International Education, provided an update on the program.

Board Meeting Schedule 2007-08. The final schedule, with venues, was distributed for information purposes. It was agreed that the meeting on March 5, 2008, would be held at Bishop Field School instead of Bishops College. All Trustees were encouraged to arrive early to view the school. As well, local trustees were encouraged to advise local school councils of the meeting, with a view to interaction before the meeting begins.

4.3 The Board Chair was asked to bring forward ESD support for a one year term for the Chair of NLSBA. Mr. Peach agreed to bring this decision forward.

5. **REPORT FROM COMMITTEES**

5.1 **Finance & Properties – June 7, 2007**

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Eric A. Snow, that the following sites be submitted to the Department of Education as priorities for the construction of a new school in Placentia:

- i. Existing Laval High School
- ii. East of Placentia Mall
- iii. East of St. Anne's Academy
- iv. East of Visitor's Centre

Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Don Blackmore, that approval be given to the request from Mobile School Council to rename the gymnasium to the *Daniel F. Emberley Memorial Gymnasium*. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Ken Best, that the Board give administrative staff the flexibility to negotiate a joint service agreement

with the Public Information and Library Resource Board in schools where opportunities for sharing of facilities present themselves. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Jerry Rice, that the Eastern School District Budget for 2007-08 school year be approved. Carried.

The Chair of the Finance Committee congratulated the staff for the preparation of the budget and for ensuring educational needs are being met by the district.

It was agreed that the Director would circulate highlights of the budget to Trustees in the very near future.

Motion: Moved by Derek Winsor, seconded by Don Blackmore, that the following projects be moved up on the capital priorities listing as requested:

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| i. | Leary's Brook Junior High – Partial roof replacement | \$100,000 |
| ii. | St. Andrew's Elementary – Roof replacement | \$230,000 |
| iii. | Pearce Junior High – Gym roof replacement | \$ 72,000 |
| iv. | Prince of Wales Collegiate – Roof replacement, next phase | \$200,000 |
| v. | St. John's Bosco – Roof replacement, next phase | \$150,000 |

Carried.

Motion: Moved by Ken Best, seconded by Melvin Lambe, that the Board write all municipal towns and cities within Eastern School District to request that they install sidewalks within 1.6 km from schools in their town or city.

Motion: Moved by Jim Hearn, seconded by Derek Winsor to refer this motion to the Finance Committee. Carried.

5.3 Programs – May 23, 2007

Motion: Moved by Ken Best, seconded by Melvin Lambe, that the Board approve the revised Policy JIH Police Investigations. Carried.

Motion: Moved by Ken Best, seconded by Jack Murphy, that the Board approve the revised Policy JIHA Student Search & Seizure. Carried.

It was noted that the definition of “serious” crime, will be defined by the CEO and provided to schools.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 **Protocols for Committees.** The issue of committee structure and adequate time allocated to complete business was raised. As the mandate of each committee is in place, it was agreed that a general protocol would be prepared for discussion at the committee level.

6.2 **Protocol Agreements:**

Motion: Moved by Jerry Rice, seconded by Derek Winsor, that the following School Council Protocol Agreements be approved:

- i. I. J. Samson Junior High
- ii. St. Peter's Junior High
- iii. Stella Maris Academy
- iv. Roncalli Central High
- v. Persalvic Elementary
- vi. Woodland Elementary
- vii. Carbonear Collegiate

Carried.

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Dr. King gave his monthly report, which was distributed, providing highlights. The Director noted that the district is now finishing its first year of a three year lease at Atlantic Place. It is expected that a recommendation for long term housing of district office will be presented in the fall, 2007, for consideration.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. on a motion by Ken Best.