

Chairperson

Kim Salkeld
Rocky View
(403) 936-5162(Home)
(403) 936-5163 (Fax)
e-mail:ksalkeld@rockyview.ab.ca

Zone 5

Vice-Chairperson

John Neill
Prairie Land
(403) 772-3847(Res)
(403) 772-2151(Fax)
e-mail: jneill@plrd.ab.ca

Agenda
ASBA Zone 5
Meeting
APRIL 27, 2001
Radisson Hotel
Castle Mountain Room
2120 – 16 Avenue N.E.
Calgary

Secretary-Treasurer:

Darrell Couture/Arlene Dow
Rocky View/Prairie Land
(403) 291-6304/800-601-3898 (Bus)
(403) 250-3281/(403) 854-2803(Fax)
e-mail: dcouture@rockyview.ab.ca/arlene.dow@plrd.ab.ca

9:00 **COFFEE**

9:30 **CALL TO ORDER**
Introductions
Adoption of the Agenda
Adoption of the Minutes of March 23, 2001
Business Arising from the Minutes

CORRESPONDENCE

9:45 **BOARD SHARING**
Questions to Board Sharing

10:30 **REPORTS**
Alberta Learning – Ron Taylor
ASBA Zone Director – Lorne Kosack
ASBA Executive or Staff
C.L.L. – Karen Harries
ASEBP – Karen Harries
Teacher Preparation – Graham Sewell
Regional Consortium – Kathy Smith
Edwin Parr Committee
Labor Relations – John Murray (in-camera if necessary)
Treasurer – Darrell Couture

Calgary Catholic
Calgary Public
Canadian Rockies
Christ the Redeemer
Foothills
Golden Hills
Greater Southern
Francophone-Catholic
Greater Southern
Francophone - Public
Prairie Land
Rocky View

Acceptance of reports as information

11:15 **BOARD SHOWCASING** – Prairie Land

12:00 **LUNCH** (provided)

12:30 **GUEST SPEAKER**
(No guest speaker)

1:30 **NEW BUSINESS**
1. Call for Issues for FGM Policy Positions
2. Canadian School Boards' Association Summer Conference

3:00 **ADJOURNMENT**

NEXT MEETING: May 25, 2001

Alberta School Board's Association – Zone 5

Minutes – March 23, 2001

Call to order Kim Salkeld called the meeting to order at 9:30 and welcomed those in attendance.

In Attendance	Graham Sewell	Foothills
	Donna Engel	ASBA
	David Anderson	ASBA
	Linda Wellman	Calgary Catholic
	Marlene Lambe	Calgary Catholic
	Karen Harries	Golden Hills
	Maureen Munro	Rocky View
	Wendy Metzger	Rocky View
	John Murray	Rocky View
	Terry Patey	Rocky View
	Terry Pearson	Alberta Learning
	Lorne Kosack	Rocky View
	Ron Taylor	Alberta Learning
	Larry Maerz	Golden Hills
	Chris Pollard	Francophone Public
	Evelyne Drouin	Francophone Catholic

Kim Salkeld

Lyll Thomson

John Neill

Arlene Dow

Rocky View

Rocky View

Prairie Land

Prairie Land

Adoption of Agenda Maureen Munro moved the agenda be approved.

Carried.

Adoption of Minutes John Murray moved the minutes be approved.

Carried.

Business Arising None

Correspondence None

Board Sharing **Graham Sewell - Foothills**

- Board had a "Visioning Exercise" as a means for planning for the future with 40 people attending, including high school students and school councils
- Accountability commitments will prepare students for 21st century
- Phase 1 is to Listen and Learn

John Neill – Prairie Land

- Three year Tech plan draft has been presented to the Board
- Field trips to UK have been cancelled

Larry Maerz - Golden Hills

- The 2001 Reaching and Teaching Conference now has 1,400 registrants - plans for 2002 are progressing
- Strathmore store front has relocated
- Working with the Town of Strathmore on the new high school
- Annual report is out
- 2001-02 budget is progressing but is proving challenging when revenue levels are uncertain

Linda Wellman – Calgary Catholic

- In need of two new high schools
- Budget prep is well underway but are struggling without definite information as to funding levels
- Policy review on governance is going well

Evelyne Drouin- Francophone Catholic

- Took part in ADEON conference - meeting of all western Francophone boards
- Hired a cultural facilitator
- Searching for Superintendent
- No full time ECS for next year

Chris Pollard - Francophone Public

- Attended ADEON conference - all participating Boards are committed to find distance learning solutions
- Hosted a retreat and planning sessions in Canmore – focus on existing initiatives
- ESL programming at differing levels is underway with a hope to include preschool
- Introducing Spanish as second language courses on a trial basis
- Partnership in Lethbridge was ratified
- Negotiations with Calgary Public are progressing well – idea of creating a French Campus
- Partnership with Canadian Rockies in Canmore is going well – accepting registration for K-6 school
- Finding difficulties with Governance re Alberta Learning – working with sister board to be sure visions are complementary

Terry Patey - Rocky View

- Undertook an engineering study on roads buses are using – Board found the study very useful and recommends other boards undertake a similar exercise
- Transportation rates are \$40 for rural and \$60 for urban students
- Superintendent started March 1
- Transportation committee is in negotiations with small contractors
- Meeting with MD and Transportation – looking at joint issues of concern

Calgary Public

Ron Taylor – Calgary Public sends their regrets for not being able to attend the meeting

Reports

Ron Taylor - Alberta Learning

- Report distributed
- Introduced new Director – Terry Pearson who brings the core team up to four
- Ron was questioned on the issue of school fees with a general discussion on the implications of the court case ASBA is pursuing and the Minister's comments

Lorne Kosack – ASBA Zone Director

- Report distributed
- 4 X 4 issue is coming to a close - the result of the ASBA vote has been forwarded to the Minister
- Budget will be presented at Zone April meeting – propose increase of 3%
- New guidelines for partnerships
- CPR – urging Minister to go through regular protocol

David Anderson - ASBA

- Report distributed
- Ontario introduced literacy tests in High School – Over 30% failed at grade 10 level
- Outcomes consultation meeting to be jointly hosted by ASBA and CASS on April 9
- George Walker is seriously ill, leaving labour staff facing timing issues
- Legal department is also under pressure resulting in the hiring of one new position and one contract position
- CSBA – Youth Criminal Justice Act up for discussion – CSBA supports the emphasis on prevention, but believes the section on informing schools when criminal justice staff are in the school needs improvement
- Change in Deputy Minister - Don Ford
- Spring General Meeting June 4-5 – Capri in Red Deer; ASBA will be hosting a golf tournament on Sunday afternoon with registration for the tournament limited to 40 participants
- David asked that Boards consider ASBA's focus for the upcoming year
- ASBA does not, at this time, recommend canceling student trips to Europe – comprehensive information has been sent to Superintendents

Board Sharing

Terry Patey introduced Lyall Thomson, new Superintendent for Rocky View

Rocky View shared two topics – Code of Conduct for Sports Activities, and Cam Clark Ford partnership for CTS programming
Handouts for both programs were distributed

Guest Speaker

Pat Cocks – Alberta Learning – Special Education Review
Handouts were made available

Reports (Continued)

CLL: Karen Harries

- Last session on Wednesday
- In process of determining direction/focus for future seminars

ASEBP: Karen Harries

- September 2001 rate increases have received 2nd and final reading
- Spring planning session is scheduled for the last part of April

Teacher Preparation: Graham Sewell

- Report attached
- Another meeting is planned for late May or early June

Edwin Parr Committee

- Candidate interviews are set for April 23

In-Camera Lorne Kosack moved to go in-camera
Personnel issues were discussed Carried

Out of In-Camera Linda Wellman moved to go out of in-camera Carried

Reports (Continued)

Labour Relations – John Murray

- Report distributed

Treasurer’s Report

- Report distributed

John Neill moved that all reports be accepted for information. Carried.

New Business

- ASBA Spring Conference: consensus of the group was that spring conferences continue to be held in Red Deer
- Zone 5 guest speakers: follows suggestions for future topics
ASEBP
Upcoming Election
- Zone 5 representation at ASBA board meetings – it was suggested that it may be more useful for the Zone 5 chairperson to attend other Zone meetings other than ASBA Board meetings
- CSBA Summer Conference - Donna Engel
Zone 5 – pancake breakfast
Zone 1 – preparing placemats, pictures and maps
Zone 2/3 – neck scarves
Others – no definite plans as yet
Looking for a sponsor for Stetsons
Registration forms now available and hotels are filling quickly
Minister is hosting a golf tournament in advance of conference

Next Zone meeting is April 27 (Friday)

Adjournment John Neill moved that the meeting be adjourned. Carried

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM



**Alberta
School Boards
Association**

Highlights

April 5 and 6

Board of Directors Meeting

Board Highlights are circulated to the ASBA Board of Directors and all ASBA staff following the ASBA Board of Directors meeting. Board of Directors members are asked to circulate Board Highlights to their respective constituencies. Please note these are not the official minutes of the meeting. Copies of the official minutes will be available by calling Marian Johnson at 1.780.451.7101.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ESTABLISHES PROTOCOL FOR ASBA REPRESENTATIVES TO COMMITTEES

With ASBA representatives serving on more than 52 external committees, the ASBA Board of Directors has developed a protocol to guide appointees in their work on behalf of the association. The protocol sets out guidelines for communicating with the association, referencing association policy and reporting expectations.

ASBA POLICY COMMITTEE REVAMPING ASBA POLICY MANUAL

The ASBA Policy Advisory Committee is revamping the ASBA's policy manual, separating Policy statements from Directives for Action. Policies are guidelines for future discretionary action (the always and the never). Directives for Action are issue and time specific.

ZONE 23 TO BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT SIX ISSUES FOR POLICY

In response to a request from Zone 23, the Board of Directors amended its Policy Development Process to allow this Zone to submit six issues for development into policy positions starting this year. Other Zones submit three issues each. This change was made because Zone 23 represents 29 boards.

PRESIDENT CONTINUES TO SEEK UNTARGETED FUNDING FOR BOARDS

In the face of growing pressure for increased teacher salaries, ASBA President Lois Byers reaffirmed her approach of continuing to press the government for untargeted increases to the baseline funding to school boards. She will continue to reiterate the ASBA's call for increases based on the 10-6-6 formula.

ASBA TO EXPLORE DEVELOPMENT OF TOOLS BOARDS CAN USE TO COMMUNICATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT TO THEIR COMMUNITIES

The annual release of student achievement test and diploma exam results spawns a flurry of media coverage which doesn't always result in clear communication of what and how well students are learning in Alberta schools. In an effort to assist school boards, the ASBA will develop a template for communicating student achievement results, which school boards can revise and adapt for local use.

**ASBA ZONE 5
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
SEPTEMBER 1, 2000 TO MARCH 15, 2001**

REVENUE

Membership fees	\$10,000.00
Interest	<u>\$1.40</u>
Total	\$10,001.40

EXPENDITURES

Executive Meeting	\$541.16
LIST	\$308.27
Wade Jewelry	\$45.48
Regular meetings	\$4,391.13
Honoraria	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
Total	<u>\$7,086.04</u>

Grand Total	<u>\$2,915.36</u>
--------------------	--------------------------

Bank Balance	\$11,207.07
---------------------	--------------------

H:\groups\finance\bobfile\asbaz5fs0101.doc

April 23, 2001