

**Alberta School Board's Association – Zone 5
Minutes –May 18, 2001**

Call to order Kim Salkeld called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

In Attendance	Kim Salkeld	Rocky View
	Darrell Couture	Rocky View
	Lorne Kosack	Rocky View
	Terry Patey	Rocky View
	John Murray	Rocky View
	Maureen Munro	Rocky View
	Graham Sewell	Foothills
	David Anderson	ASBA
	Michelle Mulder	ASBA
	Dr. Leroy Sloan	ASBA
	Shirley Reinhardt	Golden Hills
	Kathy Smith	Golden Hills
	Terry Pearson	Director – Zone 5 - Alberta Learning
	Chris Pollard	Francophone Public
	John Neill	Prairie Land
	Sharon Hester	Calgary Board of Education
	Kimberley Epp	Foothills School Division
	John Shannon	Christ the Redeemer
	Mary Stengler	Christ the Redeemer
	Len Miller	Christ the Redeemer
	Doug Gardner	Foothills
	Graham Sewell	Foothills
	Jerry Muelaner	Foothills
	Pat Stutz	Canadian Rockies
	Arlene Dow	Prairie Land

Adoption of Agenda Shirley Reinhardt moved that the agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

Adoption of Minutes John Neill moved the minutes of April 27, 2001 be approved as circulated. Carried.

BOARD SHARING

Shirley Reinhardt – Golden Hills

- Ken Dewalt is the new Maintenance Supervisor
- Education Plan has been submitted
- Budget is almost complete
- New high school building in Strathmore is nearing completion
- Three Hills School Modernization approval received
- Joined the Tobacco Reduction Alliance
- Official Opening of storefront school with Dr. Oberg in attendance
- Thanked A.S.B.A. for representing them at Excellence of Teaching Awards
- Congratulated Kim Salkeld and her team on A.S.B.A. Edwin Parr Award ceremonies

Pat Stutz - Canadian Rockies

- Dr. Joan Jeary hired as Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
- Negotiating with Town of Banff regarding Banff School modernization and community center
- Budget approved

John Shannon – Christ the Redeemer

- Received funding for new high school in Brooks and addition onto St. Mary's School in Okotoks
- French Immersion program initiated in Okotoks
- Principal hired for new school in Strathmore
- Budget approved

Graham Sewell - Foothills

- Selecting new Board architect
- Reviewing Vision statement
- A significant number of school administrative retirements.

Chris Pollard - Greater Southern Francophone (Public)

- Met with Medicine Hat Public & Separate
- Met with Dr. Oberg to discuss Ducharme Report re Francophone governance - still opposed to blended model
- Budget approved
- Developing legal agreement with Separate counterpart regarding shared services
- 20 or so students in Canmore – meeting with Canadian Rockies re space

John Neill – Prairie Land

- 3 year plan focuses on student achievement
- Budget passed

Terry Patey – Rocky View School Division

- Board approval of transportation agreement with small bus contractors
- Conrich School E.S.L. class presentation to the Board
- Budget approved
- Bears paw School new principal hired
- Three official school openings at Bow Valley High School, Chestermere Lake Middle School and the Alternative School
- Process to close Conrich School
- Virus at Elizabeth Barrett

Sharon Hester- Calgary Board of Education

- Jane Cawthorne resigned as a trustee
- Donna Michaels legal case is in the hands of attorneys
- Five school closures being contemplated – June 19 is the vote date
- Budget approved – maintains existing services only

Reports

Terry Pearson - Alberta Learning

Highlighted written report

Applied Math 30 exam question - weighting was based on input from teachers

Student Loan Relief program – no adjustment for previous grads

School Building decisions will be based on learning opportunities

Lorne Kosack – A.S.B.A. Zone 5 Director

Highlighted written report

Second Language – caution on implementing compulsory 2nd language instruction too quickly is being urged by A.S.B.A. to Alberta Learning, and Private Members Bill on 2nd language instruction, in A.S.B.A.'s opinion, should be withdrawn due to cost/effect on small rural schools.

Michelle Mulder – A.S.B.A. Report

Two new directors elected

Raising Awareness of School Boards – Dr. Oberg referred to campaign of A.S.B.A. positively at the legislature. Pamphlet on role of trustees sent to Boards as well as a binder.

Improving relationships is an A.S.B.A. objective, and is modeled by work between Boards in Zone 5.

Discussion on Social Studies curriculum review being conducted by Alberta Learning. A.S.B.A. has recommended that local governance should be taught in grade 6.

David Anderson –A.S.B.A.

- Bill 16 highlighted
- New staff – Yvonne LaFontaine, legal council, Jim Campbell, labour negotiator and Terry Gunderson, education consultant

Graham Sewell – Teacher Preparation

- No meeting

Kathy Smith - Regional Consortium

Consortium running well. Requested more PD for trustees. CRC annual meeting on line for two weeks commencing May 18, 2001.

Dr. Leroy Sloan - ASBA

Trustee Development – A.S.B.A. has a grant to prepare on line trustee in-service courses.

Edwin Parr Committee

Kim Salkeld thanked the selection committee.

Graham Sewell thanked all the trustees who helped put on this magnificent event.

Graham Sewell thanked Prairie Land for their work in keeping track of attendees.

Sharon Hester asked whether the media had been invited to the Edwin Parr award. Response was no, but it was a good idea for next year. Zone 6 has developed a media package. Suggestion was that this be done this year as well. Joan Craven to prepare and send to each Secretary Treasurer in the Zone, a group picture and story. Official photographer was also recommended for the future.

In-Camera

Terry Patey moved that the Zone 5 A.S.B.A. meeting move into an in-camera session at 11:25 a.m.

Carried.

John Murray circulated the recent update on collective agreement settlements between Boards and A.T.A. Locals. A Labour Relations meeting is scheduled for June 4th, right after the A.S.B.A. Annual meeting.

Out of In-Camera

John Murray moved that the Zone 5 A.S.B.A. meeting move out of in-camera at 11:45 a.m.

Carried.

Acceptance of Reports

Moved by Sharon Hester that the reports be accepted for information.

Carried.

Presentation of Proposed Issues for A.S.B.A. FGM

- Lorne Kosack outlined proposed issue on teacher education requirements and rural transportation safety.
- Calgary Catholic submitted two issues in writing for Zone consideration.

Recess for lunch at 11:58 a.m. and Reconvened at 12:40 p.m.

Issues for A.S.B.A. FGM Contined

Zone boards decided to support the following issues:

- 1) Teacher education requirements
 - 2) Rural transportation safety
 - 3) Integrated service model for students with severe needs
- Kim Salkeld to submit to A.S.B.A.

A.S.B.A. Policy Handbook Review Report

Dr. Sloan and Sharon Hester reviewed the A.S.B.A. Policy Handbook Review Report. Boards are to provide feedback to Kim Salkeld by June 30th and a compiled report is to be considered September 28, 2001.

New Business:**Suggested dates for the A.S.B.A. Zone 5 Meetings:**

September 28, 2001
 November 2, 2001
 December 7, 2001
 January 25, 2002
 February 22, 2002
 March 22, 2002
 April 26, 2002
 May 17, 2002

C.S.B.A. Breakfast Planning

Sharon Hester and John Murray reviewed

Issues for A.S.B.A. Advocacy

Sharon Hester suggested local autonomy in light of 4% and 2% allocation for teacher salaries. Michelle Mulder is to bring this suggestion forward to the A.S.B.A.

Adjournment John Murray moved that the meeting adjourn at 1:40 p.m.

Carried.