

Joint Use Agreement Review
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The Joint Use Agreement (JUA) partners (City of Edmonton, Edmonton Catholic Schools, Edmonton Public Schools and Conseil scolaire Centre-Nord) Review Team held its 22nd meeting on June 1, 2006. The agenda focused on the final steps needed to conclude the public consultation phase regarding shared use, and on governance issues relating to structures required to administer and implement the Joint Use Agreement.

A draft report of data and findings from the public consultation conducted by Convergence Group was presented to the JUA Review Team. The Team acknowledged the range, quality and scope of input received from the participants and agreed to share the findings with stakeholders for further analysis and feedback. The Review Team expects to receive a final report from Convergence Group on June 14, 2006. A special meeting has been set for June 29th 2006 to analyze the data and consider recommendations.

The Review Team noted that some of the community's suggestions could be acted on immediately, without further review or amendment to the JUA. These items will be forwarded to the JUA Steering Committee for action. The intent is to improve service to community users and students as early as this fall.

The JUA Review Team continued Governance discussions by identifying the formal and informal committees that are doing the work of the JUA. Further discussion regarding the roles, responsibilities and effectiveness of the committees is planned. In addition, the Review Team made progress on revising governance clauses to be considered in the new agreement.

The Review Team will continue to provide regular updates and post them on the web at <http://www.edmonton.ca/jointuse> and <http://www.ecsd.net/jua> as we work through the process of revising the JUA to best meets current and future community needs.