

**EDMONTON CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 7**

**Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**

**2005-2006: #10**

February 13, 2006  
7:00 p.m.

Board Room  
Catholic Education Services

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**I. Call to Order**

**Chairperson Cavaliere** called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Trustee Engel began the meeting with the opening prayer acknowledging the deaths of two family members of Trustee Patrick McDonald.

**Roll Call**

**Present**

D. Cavaliere, Chairperson  
J. Buddle  
D. Engel  
M. Razzolini  
J. Sarich

**Absent**

P. McDonald  
J. Urlacher

**Consent Agenda**

**Trustee Sarich** moved that the Consent Agenda containing the following item be approved:

1. Letter to Bishop Lawrence Huculak.

CARRIED

**Agenda**

**Trustee Razzolini** moved that the agenda for the February 13, 2006 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**Trustee Engel** moved that the agenda be amended to:

Delete the following:

- IIIA(2) District Budget Process
- IIIC(3) Letter to Western Catholic Reporter
- IIIC(4) Letter to Parents

And add the following:

- IIIC(5) Letter to the Honourable Gene Zwozdesky

CARRIED

The vote was called on the main motion, as amended, and it was

CARRIED

**II. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

**(1) January 16, 2006**

**Trustee Buddle** moved that the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held January 16, 2006 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**III. Business of the Meeting**

**A. Executive Limitations**

**1. Annual Report – Educational Planning & Administrative Services**

**Trustee Buddle** moved that the Board of Trustees receives as information the February 2006 Department Report for Educational Planning and Administrative Services; named “Many Hearts...Striving for One Dream”.

CARRIED

**B. Linkages**

**1. Alberta School Boards Association Membership**

**Trustee Buddle** moved that the Board of Trustees of Edmonton Catholic Schools renews its membership to the Alberta School Boards Association for the Fiscal Year September 2006-2007.

CARRIED

**2. Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association Membership**

**Trustee Engel** moved that the Board of Trustees of Edmonton Catholic Schools renews its membership to the Alberta Catholic School Trustees’ Association for the year 2007.

CARRIED

Opposed: M. Razzolini

**C. New Business**

**1. Independent Investigation Regarding Edmonton Catholic Schools Deficit Situation**

**Trustee Sarich** moved:

That the Board of Trustees adopt the recommendation to conduct an independent, a forensic audit, into the matter of the (\$9,867,030.00) deficit; and

That the scope of the Forensic Audit include an examination and investigation, and to provide recommendations as a result of the findings in each area related to the deficit situation; and

That the scope of the Forensic audit will include but not be limited to an examination, investigation and recommendations in the following areas: Fiscal budgeting, financial reporting, financial management and oversight; payments for goods and services, policies and records; executive and management oversight, governance, and

That the scope of the Forensic Audit will not provide an opinion regarding the presentation of the School Board's financial statements or if they comply with generally accepted accounting principles; and

That the scope of the Forensic Audit will not determine if the audit of the School Board's financial statements was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

Chairperson Cavaliere gave the chair to Vice Chairperson Engel. After speaking to the issue, Chairperson Cavaliere resumed the chair.

DEFEATED  
In Favor: J. Sarich

Opposed:  
J. Buddle  
D. Cavaliere  
D. Engel  
M. Razzolini

**2. Board of Trustees Deficit Elimination Plan**

**Trustee Sarich** moved that pending a response to correspondence to the Minister of Education, the notice of motion that she filed at the January 16, 2006 Regular Board meeting regarding the Deficit Elimination Plan be deferred to a future meeting.

**Trustee Buddle** moved that the motion by Trustee Sarich be withdrawn from the table.

CARRIED  
Opposed: J. Sarich

**3. Letter to the Honourable Gene Zwozdesky**

**Trustee Engel** moved that the letter written to the Honourable Gene Zwozdesky dated January 24, 2006, as attached, providing an outline of the district's deficit elimination plan, be endorsed by the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED  
Opposed: J. Sarich

**IV. Adjournment**

Trustee Engel said the closing prayer.

Trustee Razzolini moved that the meeting adjourn at 8:56 p.m.

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Chairperson

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Corporate Secretary