



## HPSD Board of Trustees meeting highlights

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*HIGH PRAIRIE, AB* – High Prairie School Division’s Board of Trustees held its regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at Ecole Routhier School in Falher.

### ***Board appointments to ASBA approved***

The board reviewed several proposed amendments to Alberta School Boards Association’s *Issues, Budget and Bylaws Bulletin 2010* in advance of the upcoming spring general meeting taking place on June 7, 2010 in Red Deer, AB.

### ***Meeting with Living Waters Catholic Regional Division approved***

The board agreed to a meeting with Living Waters Catholic Regional Division on May 14, 2010 in Slave Lake. The meeting will be used to discuss several education topics, including HPSD’s proposal for School Act changes, local taxation and progress of the new Slave Lake school.

### ***G.P. Vanier national field trip approved***

The board approved a motion by Trustee Karin Scholl providing approval in full to G.P. Vanier School in Donnelly for a field trip to the nation’s capital in Ottawa from May 17-22, 2010. The field trip will see 56 band students in grades 8 to 12 take part in MusicFest 2010. G.P. Vanier band students were given two official invitations to perform at MusicFest Canada based on their outstanding musical achievements last year.

The prestigious week-long MusicFest event will bring together more than 10,000 of Canada's finest young musicians to perform for recognition as the country's foremost musical ensembles.

### ***North Country Fair date remains the same***

The board reviewed a letter from Lesser Slave Lake North Country Community Association (LSLNCCA) President Roxanne McIntosh in response to a formal request by HPSD’s board in August of 2009 to consider changing the date of the annual North Country Fair.

HPSD’s request to LSLNCCA involved exploring the possibility of moving the date of the North Country Fair to July as opposed to June in an effort to help ensure that students’ remain focused on their academic studies, including final exams.

LSLNCCA acknowledged and appreciated HPSD’s efforts to ensure the academic success of its students but opted to maintain the status quo for two reasons: (1) to do so would be a betrayal of the fair’s core values, and; (2) that student success can be achieved without altering the dates of the fair.

### ***Next board meeting***

The next HPSD Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at C.J. Schurter School in Slave Lake. The meeting begins at 10 a.m.

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