



## 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 meeting on Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at Central Office in High Prairie.

### ***Approval in principle for RMSS field trips***

The Board passed a motion by Trustee Lenny Richer granting “Approval in Principle” for a proposed field trip by Roland Michener Secondary School (RMSS) to Central Europe from April 1-10, 2011. An estimated 20 students are anticipated to participate in the international field trip, which will include visits to Berlin, Prague, Krakow and Budapest.

The Board also passed a motion by Trustee Karin Scholl providing “Approval in Principle” to a proposed field trip by RMSS to Anaheim, California from May 5 to 10, 2011.

Approximately 30 Grade 10-12 band students are anticipated to take part in the proposed trip to the Canadian Anaheim Music Festival in Los Angeles where students hope to perform in front of an adjudicator as part of a competition.

The field trip also includes a visit to Disneyland and a chance for students to participate in a professional recording session in addition to being part of a public concert held on the Disneyland grounds.

School bands invited to attend the prestigious Canadian Anaheim Music Festival must be over 30 members and are required to submit a qualifying recording of their music in addition to a photo.

### ***Board requests amended date for ASBA Zone 1 meeting***

The Board agreed to submit alternate dates for consideration to the Alberta School Boards’ Association (ASBA) Zone 1 with respect to its proposed meeting date of Nov. 4, 2010.

ASBA requested input from Boards for a new meeting date due to a conflict with the Public School Boards’ Association of Alberta (PSBAA) meeting scheduled for Nov. 3 to 6. HPSD recommended dates include Oct. 28, Nov. 1, 9 or 10.

### ***Inspiring Action on Education Survey***

The Board reviewed the “Inspiring Action on Education Survey” and requested HPSD to encourage its stakeholders to respond. Further discussion resulted in approval of a motion from Trustee Richer for HPSD to forward a letter Minister of Education the Hon. Dave Hancock expressing concerns with the complexity and limited opportunities for stakeholders to provide input to the survey. A copy of the letter will also be forwarded to Dunvegan-Central Peace MLA Hector Goudreau, Lesser Slave MLA Pearl Calahasen, the ASBA and PSBAA.

### ***Schedule of rates and fees approved for 2010-2011***

The Board endorsed a motion from Trustee Scholl to approve HPSD’s proposed schedule of rates and fees for the 2010-2011 school year.

### ***Capital Budget approved***

The Board endorsed a motion from Trustee Richer to approve the Capital Budget for the 2010-2011 School Year.

### ***Provisional Operational Budget approved***

The Board endorsed a motion from Trustee Gary Doran to approve the Provisional Operational Budget for the 2010-2011 School Year.

***Next Board meeting***

The next HPSD Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2010 at Central Office in High Prairie. The meeting begins at 10 a.m.

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