

AGENDA**Type of Meeting:** Board**Date:** September 12, 2016**Page:**1 of 2*"TOWARDS NEW HORIZONS":**Is it in the best interest of our students?**Does it support excellence?***AGENDA 14 – SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

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| 1. | Call to Order | Jill Weiss | 7:00 pm |
| 2. | Adoption of Agenda | Jill Weiss | 7:01 pm |
| 3. | Disclosure of Conflict of Interest | Jill Weiss | 7:03 pm |
| 4. | Approval of Minutes | Jill Weiss | 7:04 pm |
| | 4.1 June 9, 2016 – attachment | | |
| 5. | Administration Reports | | 7:09 pm |
| | 5.1 Principal’s Report – attachment | Ted Zarowny | |
| | 5.2 Superintendent’s Report – attachment | Don Falk | |
| 6. | Board Reports | Jill Weiss | 7:29 pm |
| | 6.1 Committee Reports | | |
| 7. | Receipt of Reports | Jill Weiss | 7:34 pm |
| 8. | Board Work Plan | Jill Weiss | 7:35 pm |
| | 8.1 Draft Board Work Plan 2016-17 – attachment | | |
| 9. | The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools | Jill Weiss | 7:45 pm |
| | 9.1 Invitation to October 2016 Meetings – attachment | | |
| | 9.2 Invitation to May 2017 Meeting – attachment | | |
| 10. | New Business | | 7:55 pm |
| | 10.1 Report from School Counsellor – attachment | Ken Boschman | |
| | 10.2 Enrolment Cap Issue – attachment | Don Falk | |
| | 10.3 Fall Series of Society & Board Meetings – attachment | Don Falk | |
| 11. | Correspondence Sent - attachment | Jill Weiss | 8:35 pm |
| | 11.1 Email Message (2016-06-20) from Superintendent
D. Falk to S. Mendaglio re Graduate Studies in Gifted
Education | | |
| 12. | Correspondence Received – attachments | Jill Weiss | 8:37 pm |
| | 12.1 Letter (2016-06-14) from Education Minister D. Eggen
to Board Chair J. Weiss re Transfer of Ownership | | |
| | 12.2 Letter (2016-06-14) from Education Minister D. Eggen
to EICS Board Chair re Long-Term Lease | | |

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- 12.3 Letter (2016-08-03) to Superintendents re Joint Protocol for Release of Provincial Achievement Test Results
- 12.4 Letter (2016-08-23) from Education Minister D. Eggen to Board Chair J. Weiss re Francophone School
- 12.5 Letter (2016-08-26) from TAAPCS President D. McBeth to Superintendents re Resignation of Executive Director
- 12.6 Announcement (received 2016-09-01) from TAAPCS re Appointment of Interim Executive Director

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| 13. | In Camera | Jill Weiss | 8:40 pm |
| 14. | Adjournment | Jill Weiss | 9:10 pm |

Next Board Meeting – To Be Determined

NEW HORIZONS CHARTER SCHOOL SOCIETY
MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Board (General) **Date:** June 9, 2016 **Initials:** Chair
Approved: DRAFT **Recorded By:** William Watson **Secretary**

MINUTES 13 - June 9, 2016 7:00 PM

Present:

Jill Weiss CHAIR	Ryan Bosch VICE CHAIR	Nicole Pasemko TREASURER
Vicky Qualie DIRECTOR	William Watson CO-SECRETARY	Denise Auriat CO-SECRETARY
	Carole Karbonik DIRECTOR	

In Attendance:

Don Falk SUPERINTENDENT	Ted Zarowny PRINCIPAL	Fred de Kleine SECRETARY-TREASURER
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1. Call to Order

Chair Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion 2016-6-9-01 Motion to adopt agenda for the Board Meeting, June 9, 2016, as distributed
Moved: Carole Karbonik; Seconded: Vicky Qualie;
Carried

3. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 Minutes from May 16, 2016

Motion 2016-6-9-02 Motion to approve minutes from the board meeting May 16, 2016, as distributed
Moved: Carole Karbonik; Seconded: Vicky Qualie;
Carried

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4.2 Minutes from June 2, 2016

*Motion 2016-6-9-03 Motion to approve minutes from the board meeting
June 2, 2016, as distributed
Moved: Carole Karbonik; Seconded: Vicky Qualie;
Carried*

5. Administration Reports

5.1. Principal's Report

Principal Zarowny spoke to his report, see attached documentation.

5.2. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Falk spoke to his report, see attached documentation.

6. Board Reports

6.1. Board Chair's Report

No reports

6.2. Committee Reports

No reports

7. Receipt of Reports

*Motion 2016-6-9-04 Motion to receive reports, as provided to the Board
Moved: Denise Auriat; Seconded: Ryan Bosch;
Carried*

8. Board Work Plan

The Board reviewed the Board Work Plan, see attached documentation.

9. New Business

9.1. Report from School Council

Director Pasemko provided an update on School Council and advised that the AGM is upcoming on June 14, 2016 and all executive positions will be up for election.

9.2. Accountability Pillar Report May 2016

Superintendent Falk spoke to the contents of Alberta Education's Accountability Pillar dated May 10, 2016, see attached documentation

NEW HORIZONS CHARTER SCHOOL SOCIETY
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9.3. Quarterly Financial Report March-May 2016

Mr. de Kleine spoke to his report on the Quarterly Financials for March-May 2016.

*Motion 2016-6-9-05 Motion to receive the Quarterly Financial Report, as provided to the Board
Moved: Vicky Qualie, Seconded: Denise Auriat;
Carried*

9.4. Proposed Budget 2016-17

Mr. de Kleine spoke to the Proposed Budget for 2016-2017

*Motion 2016-6-9-06 Motion to approve the Proposed Budget for 2016-2017, as provided to the Board
Moved: Denise Auriat, Seconded: Nicole Pasemko;
Carried*

9.5. Meeting with MLA Annie McKitrick

Superintendent Falk spoke about his upcoming meeting with Chair Weiss, Sherwood Park MLA Annie McKitrick. The Board discussed topics of interest for that meeting.

9.6. Alumni Tracking

Chair Weiss spoke to the matter of Alumni Tracking.

*Motion 2016-6-9-07 Motion to amend the school education plan to include alumni tracking & review of early school departures
Moved: Carole Karbonik, Seconded: Ryan Bosch,
Opposed: Denise Auriat; Carried*

9.7. Letter to University of Calgary re: the Nurturing Success in Gifted Children Program

*Motion 2016-6-9-08 Motion to direct administration to draft a letter to the Graduate Program Director at the University of Calgary in support of offering the Nurturing Success in Gifted Children program.
Moved: Vicky Qualie, Seconded: Denise Auriat;
Carried*

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9.8. Policy Development re: Sub-Lease

*Motion 2016-6-9-09 Motion to direct Policy Committee to draft a policy with regards to the development, review and renewal of sub-leases
Moved: Nicole Pasemko, Seconded: Vicky Qualie;
Carried*

10. Correspondence Sent

10.1. Letter (2016-05-17) from Chair Weiss to Education Minister Eggen re: Transfer of Ownership

11. Correspondence Received

11.1. Letter (2015-07-02) from EICS Superintendent M. Hauptman to Alberta Education Manager Udell re: Transfer of Ownership

12. Adjournment

Chair Weiss adjourned the meeting at 9:38pm

Next Board Meeting: September 12, 2016 @ 7:00 PM

New Horizons Charter School Society
Principal's Report to the Board of Directors
September 12, 2016

ITEMS

1. SUCCESSFUL START-UP

- We have grown in numbers again this year and currently have a population of 275 students.
- We are pleased to have acquired five new staff members:
 - Michelle Stephens: Kindergarten
 - Shayel MacKinnon: Grade 1
 - Savanna Wygiera: Grade 4 (VP Coverage)
 - Jesse Craig: Junior High Language Arts and Social Studies
 - Cheri Unterschultz: Financial Secretary; Board Secretary
- Other staff changes from last year include the following:
 - Faye Freeman: Grade 2
 - Amanda Panas: Grade 3
 - Jennifer Asquini: Grade 3-4
- The accommodation of the students from École Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif (ECDT) in our unoccupied wing of modular units has been smooth.
 - Both administrations and teaching staff have been working cooperatively.
 - Different start-up and dismissal times has meant minimal impact on drop-off and pick-up.
 - A shared gymnasium schedule has been established and ECDT student access to the gym is proving to be non-disruptive.
 - Separate recess (morning, lunch, and afternoon) times have been established.
- Our Meet the Teacher Night on the evening of September 7 was well attended. Prior to the parents visiting their child's classroom, Ms. Vigfusson and Mrs. Dinel had an information session for parents regarding our use of Google Classroom.

2. EDUCATION PLAN STRATEGIES

- Strengthen program of gifted education pedagogy for new and continuing teachers.
 - New staff met with Ms. Vigfusson during the first two PD days before the students arrived to review key aspects in our New Teachers Handbook.
 - New staff have been teamed with a mentor "veteran" teacher at NHS. Our mentorship program is directed at meeting these broad goals:

- To provide critical supports in guiding new teachers to enhance their planning, instruction, and assessment.
 - To help orient new teachers to the school community and to teaching in general.
 - To provide collegial and emotional supports for this challenging phase of a teacher’s career.
 - New staff and their mentor teachers meet regularly on an informal basis, and will be supported with three half days during the year to work collaboratively in ways that help meet the goals noted above.
 - We are in the final processes of arranging for gifted education in-service to new and recently new teachers.
- Review, re-emphasize social contract and extent to which it meets the needs of students.
 - The social contract is a key element in the Restitution Self Discipline (RSD) approach to student behavior.
 - Therefore, staff will undergo Restitution Level 1 training on the September 16 PD Day. Diane Gossen, developer and author of RSD will be leading the session.
 - Ms. Gossen will also be leading a parent information night on September 15.
 - At the September 8 school council meeting, an introduction to the concept and rationale of a social contract was offered. Since our Student Code of Conduct is anchored by the social contract, parents were asked for their input their thoughts to reach an agreement on “bottom-line” behaviors.

Superintendent's Report to the Board of Directors

September 12, 2016

1. Introduction of New Staff Members

Administration is pleased to introduce the following individuals who are new to the New Horizons School staff this year:

- a. Jesse Craig – Junior High
Mr. Craig is a graduate of the University of Alberta with a major in elementary education and a minor in physical education. He comes to NHS with previous experience as a teacher in several Edmonton-area schools. Mr. Craig will be teaching in the junior high grades and will also be involved in extra-curricular athletics.
- b. Shayel MacKinnon – Grade 1
Ms. MacKinnon is a graduate of the University of Alberta with a major in elementary education and a minor in special education. She is also a graduate of the educational assistant diploma program at MacEwan University and served as a substitute teacher at our school last year. Ms. MacKinnon is teaching grade 1 during the maternity leave of Mrs. Kim Fehr.
- c. Michelle Stephens – Kindergarten
Ms. Stephens is a graduate of Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador, with degrees in Education (major in primary/elementary education) and in Arts (major in French). Although a beginning teacher, Ms. Stephens comes to New Horizons with a range of previous work experiences. She will be teaching our kindergarten class.
- d. Cheri Unterschultz – Financial Secretary
Ms. Unterschultz comes to New Horizons from previous work experiences that have included officer administrator, payroll/HR officer, and accounting clerk, in both the public and private sectors. She holds accounting certification from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. Ms. Unterschultz will be responsible for a variety of financial matters at our school, will assist with payroll, and will serve as recording secretary for Board meetings.
- e. Savanna Wygiera – Grade 4
Ms. Wygiera is a graduate of the University of Alberta with a major in elementary education. She has previous experience as a substitute teacher, both at New Horizons and at other schools in the Strathcona County area. Ms. Wygiera will be teaching the grade 4 class as the administrative relief teacher for Ms. Vigfusson.

2. Modernization Update

A series of delays has postponed the start of our school's modernization project, which was originally scheduled to begin in July 2016. I am pleased to report, however, that the call for

tenders was posted on the Alberta Purchasing Connection website on September 1, 2016 and that a tour of the school for interested contractors is scheduled for September 14.

Following is a revised set of dates, as provided by Alberta Infrastructure.

- Call for tenders issued by Infrastructure - September 1, 2016
- School tour for interested contractors - September 14, 2016
- Closing date for tenders - September 20, 2016
- Closing date following (likely) one-week extension - September 27, 2016
- Construction start-up meeting - October 12, 2016

In light of the delays, Infrastructure has been requested to postpone modernization of the gymnasium until the summer of 2017, rather than render it unavailable for a large portion of the 2016-17 school year. Such a postponement would be most helpful in the delivery of our physical education program of instruction and in our school's extra-curricular program. Infrastructure is presently giving consideration to this request.

3. École Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif (ECDT)

The ECDT modular school project was also delayed, meaning that the facility was not available for the start-up of the ECDT school year on September 6, 2016. As a result, the ECDT staff and students have moved into the vacant west portable wing of our school for the first few weeks of school.

Discussions continue with the administration of the Greater North Central Francophone Education Region (GNCFER) with respect to a lease agreement regarding placement of the ECDT facility on our school campus and with respect to a user agreement that will enable ECDT access to our school facility for specified purposes, in accordance with the directive received from the Minister of Education. A midsummer change in administration at GNCFER has influenced the pace of these discussions.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes of June 9, 2016 Board Meeting

- a. At its meeting of June 9, 2016, the Board of Directors approved the following resolution:
Motion to amend the school education plan to include alumni tracking & review of early school departures. Moved: Carole Karbonik, Seconded: Ryan Bosch, Opposed: Denise Auriat, Carried.

In accordance with this resolution, Administration has amended the provisional Education Plan that was approved by the Board in April 2016. The Three-Year Education Plan 2016-17 to 2018-19 will be presented to the Board for final approval later in the fall.

- b. The following resolution was also approved at the June 9, 2016 Board meeting:
Motion to direct administration to draft a letter to the Graduate Program Director at the University of Calgary in support of offering the Nurturing Success in Gifted Children program. Moved: Vicky Qualie, Seconded: Denise Auriat, Carried.

The correspondence to the Graduate Program Director was sent on June 20, 2016, a copy being included in the "Correspondence Sent" section of the current Board meeting agenda. No response has been received to date. I understand that Westmount Charter School has submitted a similar request.

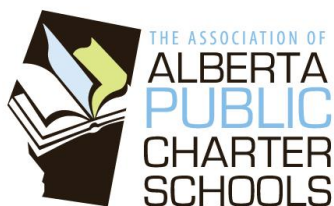
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Don Falk
Superintendent – New Horizons Charter School

Board of Directors – Work Plan for 2016-17

September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Adopt Board Work Plan for 2016-17 ▪ Receive Counsellor’s Report for 2015-16 School Year ▪ Set date for October Board meeting ▪ Receive report on provincial achievement test results (closed meeting) ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conduct SGM; Hold Board elections ▪ Elect Board executive officers (must be within one week of SGM) ▪ Select members for Board standing committees ▪ Set dates for Board meetings (motion required) ▪ Notify Service Alberta of change in executive officers ▪ Sign Board Member Code of Conduct – Policy #101 ▪ Receive Accountability Pillar Results Report for October 2016 ▪ Attend TAAPCS Charter Board Directors/Regular Meeting #1 ▪ Receive enrolment report for September 30, 2016 ▪ Conduct initial orientation session for new Board members ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conduct AGM of NCHS Society ▪ Approve final Three-Year Education Plan 2016-17 to 2018-19 ▪ Approve revised budget for 2015-16 ▪ Approve Annual Education Results Report 2015-16 ▪ Approve Audited Financial Statement Year Ending Aug 31/16 ▪ Receive Report #1 from School Council ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Sep - Nov 2016 ▪ Receive Class Size Report for 2016-17 ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attend TAAPCS Charter Board Directors/Regular Meeting #2 ▪ Receive mid-year progress report on Three-Year Education Plan 2016-19 ▪ Stakeholder Forum – Gather input on possible Education Plan priorities ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approve school calendar for 2017-18 ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Dec 2016 – Feb 2017 ▪ Approve Three-Year Capital Plan for 2017-18 to 2019-20 ▪ Board Retreat – Identify priorities for upcoming Education Plan ▪ Administer Board-developed Stakeholder Survey ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide provisional approval to Education Plan 2017-18 to 2019-20 ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attend TAAPCS Charter Board Directors/Regular Meeting #3 ▪ Approve Budget for 2017-18 ▪ Receive Accountability Pillar Results Report for May 2016 ▪ Receive Board-developed stakeholder survey results ▪ Consider salary adjustment for support staff, senior administration ▪ Receive report from FANHS ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assess Board Work Plan progress for 2016-17 ▪ Receive Quarterly Financial Report for Mar – May 2017 ▪ Schedule SGM of NCHS Society (requires 21 days’ notice; must be on or before Oct 10) ▪ Schedule September 2017 Board meeting ▪ Set date for Board Housekeeping Retreat ▪ Receive Report #2 from School Council ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consider proposals for new or amended Board policies ▪ Receive recommendations from Board committees ▪ ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Annually	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Negotiate collective agreement with ATA (as needed) ▪ Undertake Superintendent evaluation ▪ Undertake Board evaluation ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
As Needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meet with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - County Council - MLAs ▪ 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>



August 31, 2016

Dear Members,

The next regular TAAPCS meeting & AGM will be held on Friday October 7, 2016 at the Grey Eagle Resort and Casino in Calgary (3779 Grey Eagle Dr. SW). The agenda will be forwarded later in September. On the evening preceding the meeting (Thursday October 6), we will gather at the hotel for food and fellowship, and enjoy some entertainment provided by students from Westmount Charter School. The door prizes at the banquet will be supplied by Almadina, and the following day's "School Spotlight" by Connect. Suzuki will be sharing information on their research initiatives. Thanks to you all for stepping forward in response to our last minute request – it is much appreciated!

Connect Charter School has also kindly offered to host the Superintendents' and Directors' meetings on October 6 at their school, which is very conveniently located near the Grey Eagle (5915 Lewis Dr. SW - see the maps on the following page). Details of those meetings will be sent out later.

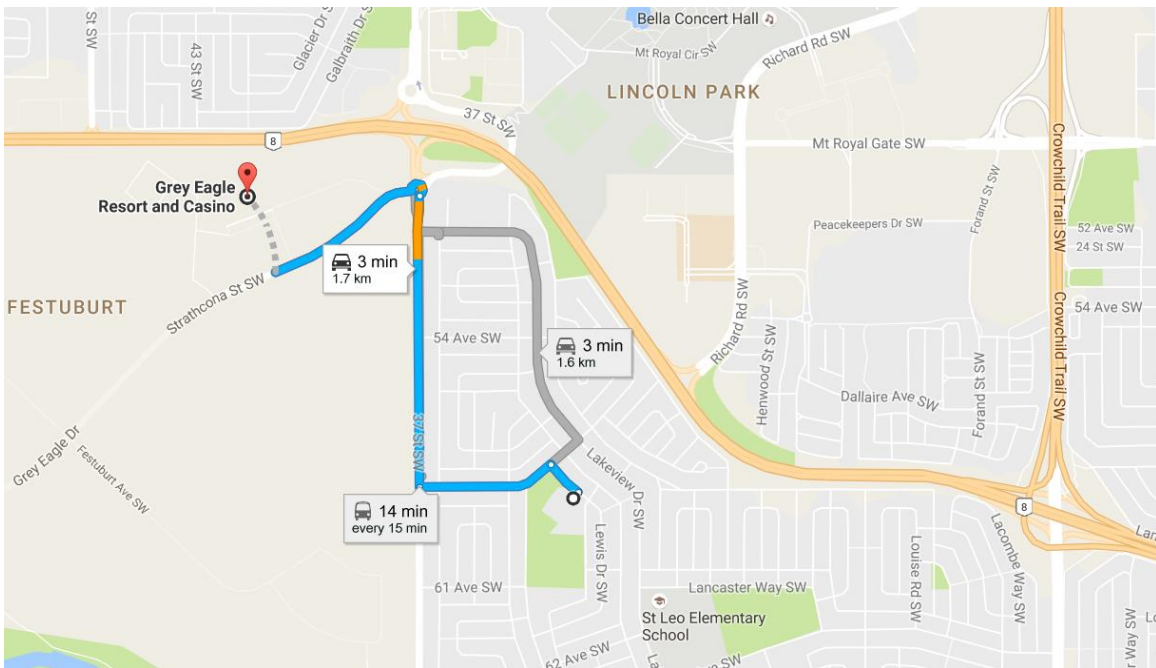
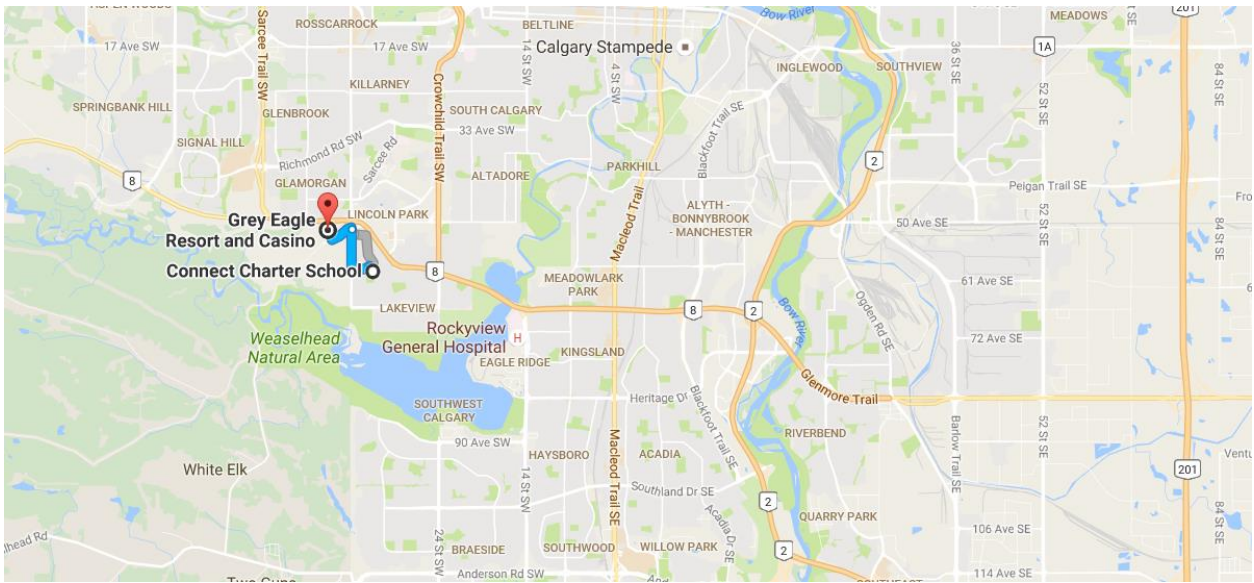
Please email your school's intentions regarding participation in Thursday night's dinner, and for breakfast and lunch on Friday, to meredith.poole@ffca-calgary.com no later than **Sept. 23, 2016**.

Name of Public Charter School _____

Name of Attendee	Position	Thursday Dinner	Friday Breakfast	Friday Lunch	Dietary Restrictions?

The Grey Eagle has given us until **September 22** to receive a rate of \$149 + tax for the night of Oct. 6. (The same rate has been arranged for the three days prior, and after.) Call them at 1-844-719-8777 or 403-719-8777 to make your reservations, and mention that you are with the Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools.

Dianne McBeth
 President, The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools





Don Falk <dfalk@newhorizons.ca>

Invitation re May 2017 Meeting

1 message

Meredith Poole <meredith.poole@ffca-calgary.com>

Thu, Sep 1, 2016 at 3:27 PM

To: "Dale Bischoff (Aurora)" <dbischoff@auroraschool.com>, "Dale Erickson (CAA)" <derickson@calgaryartsacademy.com>, "Dianne McBeth (CGS)" <Dianne.McBeth@calgarygirlsschool.com>, "Don Falk (New Horizons)" <dfalk@newhorizons.ab.ca>, "Ed Wittchen (MECCS)" <ed.wittchen@telus.net>, "Joe Frank (Westmount)" <joe.frank@westmountcharter.com>, "John Brosseau (Boyle St)" <jbrossea@telus.net>, "John Picard (Valhalla)" <jpicard@valhallaschool.ca>, "Lynne Paradis (Suzuki)" <paradisl@suzukischool.ca>, Roger Nippard <roger.nippard@ffca-calgary.com>, "Susan Chomistek (CCS)" <susan.c@connectcharter.ca>, "Teresa DiNinno (CAPE)" <tdininno@capeisgreat.org>, "Yvonne DePeel (Almadina)" <ydepeel@esl-almadina.com>

Cc: "jay.pritchard@shaw.ca" <jay.pritchard@shaw.ca>

Hello again!

Valhalla Community School has graciously offered to host our May 2017 meeting at their school in Valhalla Centre, northwest of Grande Prairie. While I'm sure we all agree this would be a wonderful experience, we thought with the extra expense and/or time involved, it might be best to get some feedback from you all. It looks like flights to Grande Prairie run around \$300+ (from both Calgary and Edmonton, oddly enough). Driving is about 7 hours from Calgary and 4.5 from Edmonton.

If you have an opinion on this, please let me know and perhaps it can be discussed at the upcoming EAC meeting in Red Deer.

Thanks!

Meredith Poole

Secretary-Treasurer



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MEMORANDUM

September 5, 2016

To: Board of Directors

From: Don Falk - Superintendent

Re: Report from School Counsellor

Background:

Attached for the information of the Board of Directors is a report from our school counsellor. Mr. Boschman will be in attendance at the Board meeting to speak to the report and respond to questions from members of the Board.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the report from the school counsellor be received as information.

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Don Falk

Attachment

COUNSELLING SUPPORT SUMMARY

Referrals	2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2015-2016
Class	# Students	# Students	# Students	Reason(s) for Referral
K - ECS	5	3	9	sensory issues, separation issues, impulse control, self-regulation
Grade 1	0	2	7	stress/sensitivity, social interaction, self-regulation, family matters
Grade 2	3	3	1	anxiety, stress, discouragement
Grade 3	0	5	0	stress, anxiety, regulating emotions, sensory issues, social skills
Grade 4	5	6	4	stress/anxiety, social interaction, negative thoughts, competitiveness
Grade 5	5	7	1	anxiety, loss, family issues
Grade 6	4	10	6	anxiety, self-regulation, organization, family/social issues
Grade 7	0	4	4	anxiety, family matters, positive interaction, handling frustration
Grade 8	1	1	2	anxiety, social interaction
Grade 9	2	3	1	stress, anxiety-related behaviours, family crisis
TOTAL	25	44	35	

Informal Support (additional students engaged outside office)

>40

Parent Consultations Re: Child

>40

Teacher Consultations Re: Student

>90

Classroom Presentations

*Mental Health Day, Kids Have Stress Too

Expanded Student Services Role

*File reviews

*Case conferences

*Psychoeducational Assessments (5)

*Severe disabilities/PUF applications

*Liaison with external agencies



MEMORANDUM

September 5, 2016

To: Board of Directors

From: Don Falk - Superintendent

Re: Enrolment Cap

Background:

A frequently-discussed issue with respect to Alberta charter schools is the matter of the "enrolment cap." Although the origin of the practice of assigning an enrolment cap to each charter school is difficult to ascertain and although there is no reference to charter school enrolment caps in either the School Act or the Charter Schools Regulation, it is clear that the practice exists and that is understood by Alberta Education to be mandatory. As an example, directors are asked to note the reference to the enrolment cap on the most recent New Horizons School information sheet (attached), as prepared by Alberta Education.

Reference to an enrolment cap for New Horizons School is made in the attached letter (2007-02-08) from then Education Minister Ron Liepert, in which approval of the NHS charter for the period 2007-12 was provided. In that letter, Minister Liepert stated the following:

I am pleased to approve a five-year renewal of your charter, the maximum term allowed by the Charter Schools Regulation, from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2012, to operate an Early Childhood Services to Grade 12 school with a maximum enrollment of 300 students.

My understanding is that, absent any subsequent authoritative statements to the contrary, the statement from Minister Liepert remains in effect. Further, neither Alberta Education nor I have been able to locate any other authoritative statement that speaks to the matter of an enrolment cap for our school. Accepting, then, that an enrolment cap of 300 students is indeed in effect, the following comments are offered for the consideration of the Board of Directors.

1. In our meeting with MLA Annie McKittrick on June 22, 2016, Board Chair Weiss and I were encouraged to write a letter to Education Minister Eggen, requesting an increase in our school's enrolment cap, the rationale being that a cap increase will be needed if we are to accommodate current students as they advance through the grades and if we are to continue our practice of enrolling two classes of students at each grade (presently in place in grades K through 3).
2. If "student," as used in Minister Liepert's letter, is defined as an individual enrolled in a school in grades 1 through 12, our enrolment cap will not include children enrolled in the kindergarten program. If "student" is defined as FTE individuals enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12, each kindergarten child will count as 0.5 FTE students and each individual in grades 1-9 will

count as 1.0 FTE students. In either case, this means that the total number of **individuals** enrolled in our school can exceed 300, but the total number of **students** cannot.

3. Table 1 presents past, current, and projected enrolments for the next several years. The projections are based on the following assumptions:
 - a. We will continue the practice the past several years of enrolling two classes of children/students at the entry points of kindergarten and grade 1 respectively.
 - b. As children progress through the grades, we will continue to add a second class at each grade level.
 - c. With larger enrolments in the primary grades, upper elementary and junior high school enrolments will also see enrolment increases within the next few years.

Class/Grade	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Kindergarten	23	32	36	34	34	34	34	34	34
Grade 1	23	22	42	44	44	44	44	44	44
Grade 2	22	21	26	44	44	44	44	44	44
Grade 3	23	23	22	29	44	44	44	44	44
Grade 4	21	23	24	31	30	48	48	48	48
Grade 5	23	20	24	24	31	30	48	48	48
Grade 6	22	24	20	24	24	31	30	48	48
Grade 7	18	19	20	16	21	21	28	27	44
Grade 8	21	18	18	16	14	18	18	25	24
Grade 9	14	18	18	12	14	12	15	15	22
Total students not incl K	187	188	214	240	266	292	319	343	366
Total FTE students with K @ 0.5	198.5	204	232	257	283	309	336	360	383
Total enrolled individuals	210	220	250	274	300	326	353	377	400

Table 1: New Horizons School: Past, Current, and Projected Enrolments

4. Giving consideration to the above, an enrolment cap increase may be needed as early as the 2018-19 school year and will very likely be required for 2019-20. It is anticipated that an enrolment cap of 450 FTE students (i.e. considering kindergarten children as 0.5 students) will be sufficient to accommodate two classes each from grades K-9.
5. The matter of the capacity of our existing school facility may be at issue when requesting an increase in the enrolment cap. In this regard, the existing east portable classrooms (scheduled for demolition as the final phase of our modernization project) and/or the modular classrooms that presently comprise École Claudette-et-Denis-Tardif may provide opportunity to provide additional school capacity in the years ahead.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors submit a request to the Minister of Education for an increase in the New Horizons School enrolment cap to a maximum of 450 students.



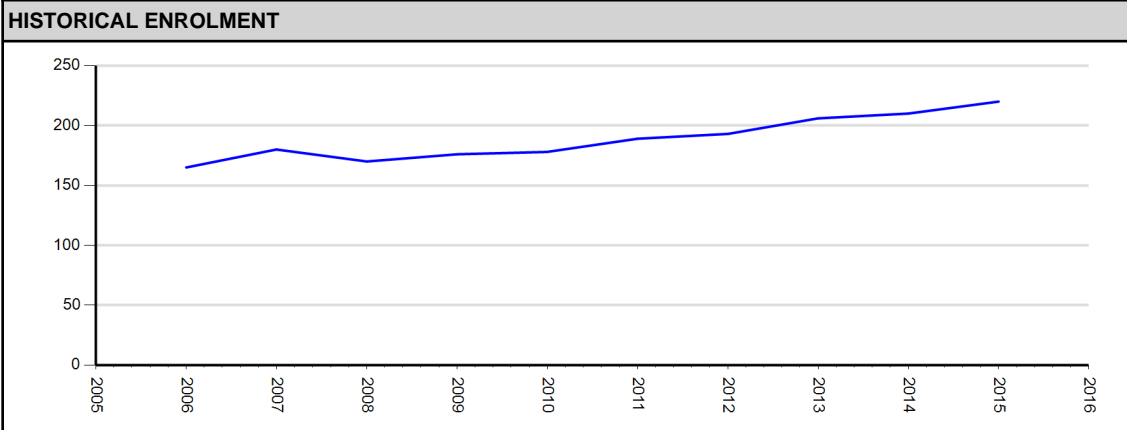
Don Falk
Attachments (2)

New Horizons Charter School Society **Public Charter**
Zone 2/3 Services

Address and Phone	1000 Strathcona Drive Sherwood Park AB T8A3R6 (780) 416-2353		
Superintendent	Donald Falk		
Chair, Board of Directors	Jill Weiss		
No. of Directors, Including Chair	7		
Description of Charter	To improved educational experience and results for gifted children		
Original Approval Date	Rated Capacity	Approved Enrolment Cap	No. of Sites
August 30, 1995	252	300	1
Current Term End Date	Funded Students Head Count (2015/2016)	Certificated FTE Staff (2014/2015)	Grade Range
31 August, 2027	250	13	K-09

FINANCES		
2015/2016 Estimated Operational Funding	Adjusted Accumulated Surplus from Operations (ASO) (As of August 31, 2015)	ASO as a % of Total Expenses
\$2,273,000	\$536,585	22.6%

STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS	
Funded Students Head Count	250
% of Provincial Funded Student	0.04%
ESL Funded Students	0
FNMI Funded Students	0



ANNUAL EDUCATION RESULTS REPORT AND THREE YEAR EDUCATION PLAN
[Combined Three Year Education Plan and Annual Education Results Report](#)

CLASS SIZE INITIATIVE (average student count per classroom)	Grade Grouping	2015/2016
	K-3	18.7
	4 - 6	22.7
	7 - 9	17.8
	10 - 12	N/A

Data Current as of Aug 24, 2015 Accountability Pillar Results	Achievement	Improvement
Safe and Caring	Blue	Yellow
Program of Studies	Yellow	Yellow
Education Quality	Blue	Yellow
Drop Out Rate	Blue	Yellow
High School Completion Rate (3 yr)		
PAT: Acceptable	Blue	Yellow
PAT: Excellence	Blue	Yellow
Diploma: Acceptable		
Diploma: Excellence		
Diploma Exam Participation Rate (4+ Exams)		
Rutherford Scholarship Eligibility Rate		
Transition Rate (6 yr)		
Work Preparation	Blue	Green
Citizenship	Blue	Yellow
Parental Involvement	Blue	Yellow
School Improvement	Blue	Yellow



CAPITAL				
Approved Modulars 2015/2016 School Year				0
Current Capital Projects	School	Location	Grade	Current Capacity (Change)
Modernization	Former St. Teresa School	Sherwood Park	K-9	



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AR42231

Mr. Kevin Dodds
Board Chair
New Horizons Charter School Society
3 Spruce Avenue
Sherwood Park, Alberta
T8A 2B6

Dear Mr. Dodds:

Thank you for your letter of November 28, 2006 to the former Minister of Education regarding your charter renewal application. As the new Minister of Education, I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

I am pleased to approve a five-year renewal of your charter, the maximum term allowed by the *Charter Schools Regulation*, from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2012, to operate an Early Childhood Services to Grade 12 school with a maximum enrollment of 300 students.

New Horizons Charter School Society has made significant progress in revising its charter. However, I have attached a list of changes for New Horizons Charter School Society to make to the charter and selected policies. I have asked Elsie Pawlak, Zone 2/3 Liaison Manager for your charter school, to meet with you to discuss the list of requirements. Please contact Ms. Pawlak at 415-9310 as soon as possible to arrange a meeting, as I expect your board to commit to making the requested changes by June 30, 2007.

I appreciate your board's efforts to serve as a model for gifted education in Alberta. To fully realize the mission of charter schools in Alberta, I expect your board to enhance its efforts even further to help other school authorities benefit from key charter innovations. I note that the research base for your school has not been updated in some time. I encourage your staff to undertake this task and, in doing so, identify contributions your school can make to Alberta's education system and the gifted students we serve.

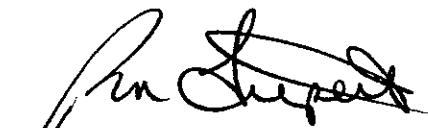
To support the foregoing, I am extending the Board and System Administration cap for your school from 6% to 8%, effective September 1, 2007. This will allow your board to address policy changes more quickly and engage in researching your charter approach, both in terms of what you can offer and what other educational researchers can offer you. In addition, I am aware that my staff is continuing to work with your board to address your facility needs. I encourage you to continue cooperating with my staff and the local Catholic and public school boards in bringing about a positive solution to your facility needs.

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Mr. Kevin Dodds
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As you know, the charter renewal process provides the opportunity for all of us to review what a charter school has accomplished, and the New Horizons School community has much to celebrate. Congratulations on your charter renewal.

Sincerely,

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Ron Liepert
Minister of Education

Attachment



MEMORANDUM

September 6, 2016

To: Board of Directors

From: Don Falk - Superintendent

Re: Board Elections / Fall Series of Society and Board Meetings

Background:

Attached is information regarding the series of fall meetings of the New Horizons Charter School Society and of the Board of Directors that are required by the bylaws of the Society.

The Board is also advised of the status of the current members of the Board of Directors:

1. Elected in October 2014 for a two-year term
 - Ryan Bosch
 - Carole Karbonik
 - Vicky Qualie
2. Elected in October 2015 for a two-year term
 - Nicole Pasemko
 - William Watson
 - Jill Weiss
3. Appointed by the Board of Directors in October 2015 to complete the remaining year in the two-year term of Kimberley Thomson
 - Denise Auriat

There is therefore a need to elect four directors at the upcoming Special General Meeting.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the information regarding Society meetings and Board elections be received as information.

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Don Falk

Attachment

Fall Series of NHCS Society and Board Meetings

Special General Meeting of NHCS Society to elect Directors

- Must be held on or before October 10 (Bylaws Article 6.1.5.1).
- Notification must be provided to Society members at least 21 days in advance (Bylaws Article 5.3.2). This will be provided in an email to parents on September 13, 2016.
- Meeting date must be established by Board motion (Bylaws Article 5.3.1). This was done on June 9, 2016.
- Our practice has been to circulate a special information bulletin at beginning of each school year. Completed August 31, 2016.

Annual General Meeting

- Must be held on or before November 30 (Bylaws Article 5.2.1). A date has not yet been determined.
- Notification must be provided to Society members at least 21 days in advance. The place, date and time of the AGM are stated in this notice as well as any business requiring a Special Resolution (Bylaws Article 5.2.2).
- Bylaws identify agenda items that must be included (Bylaws Article 5.2.3).

Membership

- “The membership year runs from the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Society of one year until the day prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Society of the following year. To exercise membership privileges at an AGM/SGM, a Society Member must be in the Register of Members on the Date of Notice of the AGM/SGM as per Article 5.2.1.” *(Note: This should read 5.2.2 and 5.3.2)*
- Individuals become members of the Society by completing a “Declaration of Understanding.” Our previous practice was to circulate the Declaration of Understanding form, together with a special information bulletin, at the beginning of each school year, requesting those who wish to become members to complete and submit the form. This would, as we understood it, make them eligible to vote in the school board elections to be held at the October SGM. It would appear, however, that individuals who complete and submit a “Declaration of Understanding” at that time are not eligible to vote at the October SGM, because they were not members “on the Date of Notice of the SGM” (see paragraph immediately above).
- In 2016, we chose to address this problem with the following schedule:

Aug 31	Send out Information Bulletin re NHCS Society, Board Elections, and Board Governance. Attached are a Declaration of Understanding and a Board Nomination Form. The date of the SGM is NOT included in this correspondence, even though it was chosen by the Board in June.
Sept 12	Deadline for submission of signed Declaration of Understanding
Sept 13	Circulate notice of SGM, to be held on Oct 5/16 (notice must be provided at least 21 days before SGM)
Oct 5	SGM & Board elections

Appointment of Board Officers

- Within one week following the election of Directors, the Board of Directors must elect a Chair, a Vice Chair, a Secretary, and a Treasurer from amongst themselves. The results of this election

must be communicated to the Society members by written notice within seven days (Bylaws Article 6.1.5.3).



Don Falk <dfalk@newhorizons.ab.ca>

Graduate Studies - Nurturing Success in Gifted Children

1 message

Don Falk <dfalk@newhorizons.ab.ca>
To: mendaglio@ucalgary.ca

Mon, Jun 20, 2016 at 8:52 PM

Dear Dr. Mendaglio:

On behalf of the Board and administration of New Horizons School in Sherwood Park, I am writing to express support for the series of graduate courses, collectively entitled "Nurturing Success in Gifted Children"
<<http://www.werklund.ucalgary.ca/gpe/content/nurturing-success-gifted-children>>, in the hope that consideration will be given to once again offering the courses.

Like our sister school in Calgary (Westmount Charter School), our school focuses on meeting the needs of gifted students. And as a rapidly growing school -- our enrolment has increased by more than 40% in only two years -- we have a crying need for focused professional development activities and coursework opportunities, not only for the new teachers that have been added to our staff in recent years, but also for those who have been with us for some time.

Upon learning of your series of courses just last year, the New Horizons Board immediately embraced the idea of encouraging our teachers to enrol. Toward that end, the Board committed funds to assist with enrolment costs and made provision for honoraria to be granted to teachers for courses completed. Unfortunately, there has been no opportunity to enrol because the courses have not been offered.

With the above in mind, we respectfully request that consideration be given to once again offering the courses. Although we cannot guarantee that our teachers will choose to enrol, we will nonetheless do our utmost to promote the program among the teachers at our school.

Yours sincerely,

Don Falk

Don Falk - Superintendent, New Horizons School
P: 780-416-2353 / M:587-877-5618 / E:dfalk@newhorizons.ca





Office of the Minister

AR94048

JUN 14 2016

Ms. Jill Weiss
Chair
New Horizons School Society
1000 Strathcona Drive
Sherwood Park AB T8A 3R6

Dear Ms. Weiss:

Thank you for your recent letters expressing appreciation for government's continued support of Kindergarten to Grade 12 education in the recent provincial budget and requesting the immediate transfer of the former St. Theresa School from Elk Island Catholic Schools to New Horizons Charter School Society.

The land title transfer issue is still under consideration. As I advised in my previous letter, my decision will be communicated to New Horizons Charter School Society and Elk Island Catholic Schools when the review is complete.

I appreciate New Horizons Charter School Society's contribution of approximately \$300,000 toward upgrades at the former St. Theresa School. I am optimistic that the \$10 million modernization of the facility that is currently underway will further enhance the facility and programming opportunities for students and staff.

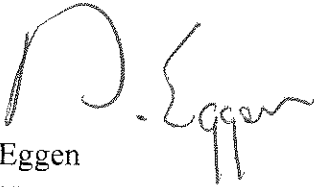
It is my understanding that your society is currently working with Elk Island Catholic Schools on a long-term lease agreement for the facility until such time as a decision is made on the requested land transfer. My understanding is that the lease agreement will allow for a separate service agreement whereby Elk Island Catholic Schools will forward the IMR funding associated with the former St. Theresa School to your society, excepting a small holdback stipend for administrative purposes. In turn, your society will provide Elk Island Catholic Schools with an annual accounting of the IMR expenditures for the jurisdiction to include in its annual IMR submission. This agreement will allow your society to pursue and authorize any work required at the school.

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Ms. Jill Weiss
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I appreciate the efforts made by both New Horizons Charter School Society and Elk Island Catholic Schools to develop an interim plan for the use of St. Theresa School by the society.

Sincerely,

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David Eggen
Minister

cc: Honourable Brian Mason
Minister of Infrastructure

Justine Wright
Board Chair, Elk Island Catholic Schools



Office of the Minister

JUN 14 2016

AR94475

Ms. Justine Wright
Chair, Board of Trustees
Elk Island Catholic Schools
160 Festival Way
Sherwood Park AB T8A 5Z2

Dear Ms. Wright:

Thank you for your May 16, 2016 letter requesting approval to enter into a long-term lease arrangement with New Horizons Charter School Society for the former St. Theresa School without a specified lease termination notice period.

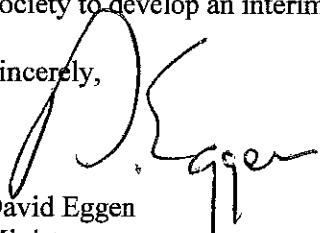
I acknowledge that the preferred option for both your jurisdiction and New Horizons Charter School Society is the immediate transfer of the former St. Theresa School to the society; however, the land title transfer issue is still under consideration.

Although the current regulations around leasing specify a mandatory one-year termination clause, I approve the waiver of this clause until such time as the land title transfer matter is resolved.

It is also my understanding that the lease agreement will include a service agreement whereby your jurisdiction will forward the Infrastructure Maintenance and Renewal (IMR) funding associated with the former St. Theresa School to New Horizons Charter School Society, excepting a small holdback stipend for administrative purposes. The society, in turn, will provide your jurisdiction with an annual accounting of the IMR expenditures for your jurisdiction to include in its annual IMR submission. This agreement will allow the society to pursue and authorize any work required at the school.

I appreciate the efforts made by both Elk Island Catholic Schools and New Horizons Charter School Society to develop an interim plan for the use of St. Theresa School by the society.

Sincerely,


David Eggen
Minister

cc: Honourable Brian Mason, Minister of Infrastructure
Jill Weiss, Chair, New Horizons School Society

August 3, 2016

TO: Superintendents of Schools

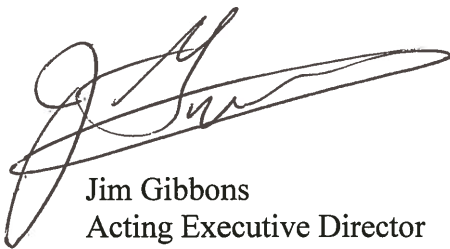
RE: Joint Protocol for the Release of the 2015/2016 Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination Results

Each year, Alberta Education and the Alberta School Boards Association renew their agreement for the release of Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination results. This provides a coordinated approach to the release of results, both locally and provincially.

Attached is a copy of this year's timeline for the release of Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination results.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Jim Gibbons
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Paul Lamoureux
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Attachment

cc Board Chairs
Elementary, Junior High and Senior High School Principals

**JOINT PROTOCOL FOR THE RELEASE OF
THE 2015/2016 PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST
AND
DIPLOMA EXAMINATION RESULTS**



**JOINT PROTOCOL FOR THE RELEASE OF
THE 2015/2016 PROVINCIAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST
AND
DIPLOMA EXAMINATION RESULTS**

NOTE: The results are not final until the official release by the Minister.

Dates	Action
August 26, 2016	Alberta Education makes available electronically on the Extranet the results reports for 2015/2016 Provincial Achievement Tests and June 2016 Diploma Examinations for individual schools, school authorities and province.
September 28, 2016	Alberta Education provides a briefing on provincial results and trends to the Alberta School Boards Association Board of Directors via conference call.
September 30, 2016	Alberta Education makes available electronically on the Extranet the individual student profiles, to be printed at the school for distribution to individual parents on or after September 30, 2016. (The individual student data is also available in <i>Table 7, Individual Student Results by Reporting Category</i> , of the school reports, which will be available on the Extranet on August 26, 2016.)
October 3, 2016	Alberta Education makes available electronically on the Extranet Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination Multiyear Reports.
By October 12, 2016	Superintendents inform their board of the school authority's results in a closed meeting.
October 12, 2016	Alberta Education hosts a technical briefing regarding the provincial results and trends with: Alberta School Boards Association, Alberta Teachers' Association, Alberta School Councils' Association, College of Alberta School Superintendents and the four major Calgary and Edmonton school authorities.
October 13, 2016 a.m.	Minister of Education officially releases Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination results. This release is in conjunction with the release of Accountability Pillar results.
October 13, 2016 p.m.	School authorities release Provincial Achievement Test and Diploma Examination results to their communities.

Le 3 août 2016

Destinataires : Directeurs généraux

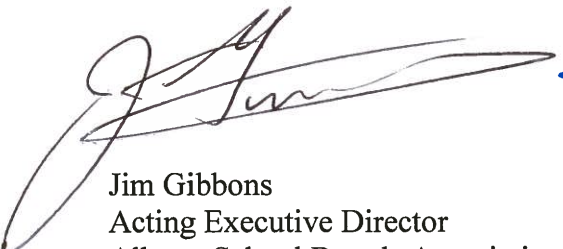
Objet : Protocole commun relatif à la publication des résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12^e année pour l'année scolaire 2015-2016


Chaque année, Alberta Education et l'Alberta School Boards Association renouvellent une entente pour la publication des résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12^e année. Ceci permet de publier les résultats de manière coordonnée, au niveau local comme au niveau provincial.


Vous trouverez ci-joint le calendrier de cette année relativement à la publication des résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12^e année.

Si vous avez des questions, n'hésitez pas à communiquer avec nous.

Cordialement,


Jim Gibbons
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Pièce jointe

c. c. Présidents des conseils scolaires
Directeurs des écoles élémentaires, secondaires premier et deuxième cycles

**PROCOLE COMMUN RELATIF À LA PUBLICATION
DES RÉSULTATS DES TESTS DE RENDEMENT
PROVINCIAUX
ET DES EXAMENS EN VUE DE L'OBTENTION DU DIPLÔME
DE 12^E ANNÉE POUR L'ANNÉE SCOLAIRE
2015-2016**

PROTOCOLE COMMUN RELATIF À LA PUBLICATION DES RÉSULTATS DES TESTS DE RENDEMENT PROVINCIAUX ET DES EXAMENS EN VUE DE L'OBTENTION DU DIPLÔME DE 12^E ANNÉE POUR L'ANNÉE SCOLAIRE 2015-2016

À NOTER : Les résultats ne sont pas définitifs avant leur publication officielle par le ministre.

Dates	Action
26 août 2016	Alberta Education diffuse électroniquement sur Extranet les résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux 2015-2016 et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12 ^e année de juin 2016 de chaque école et de chaque autorité scolaire, en même temps que les résultats provinciaux.
28 septembre 2016	Alberta Education présente les résultats et les tendances dans la province au conseil d'administration de l'Alberta School Boards Association par l'entremise d'une audioconférence.
30 septembre 2016	Alberta Education diffuse électroniquement sur Extranet les profils individuels des élèves, que les écoles doivent imprimer afin de distribuer à chaque parent à partir du 30 septembre. (Les données de chaque élève se trouvent également à la section <i>Table 7, Individual Student Results by Reporting Category</i> , [en anglais seulement] des rapports aux écoles qui seront publiés sur Extranet le 26 août.)
3 octobre 2016	Alberta Education diffuse électroniquement sur Extranet les rapports pluriannuels relatifs aux tests de rendement et aux examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12 ^e année.
Au plus tard le 12 octobre 2016	Chaque directeur général devrait informer son conseil des résultats de l'autorité scolaire dans une réunion privée.
12 octobre 2016	Alberta Education organise une séance d'information technique concernant les résultats et les tendances dans la province avec l'Alberta School Boards Association, l'Alberta Teachers' Association, l'Alberta School Council Association, la Fédération des parents francophones de l'Alberta, le College of Alberta School Superintendents et les quatre autorités scolaires de Calgary et d'Edmonton.
13 octobre 2016 (matin)	Le ministre de l'Éducation met officiellement les résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12 ^e année à la disposition du public. Cette publication se fait conjointement avec la publication des résultats du pilier de responsabilisation.
13 octobre 2016 (après-midi)	Les autorités scolaires diffusent, à leurs communautés, les résultats des tests de rendement provinciaux et des examens en vue de l'obtention du diplôme de 12 ^e .



Office of the Minister

AR95385

AUG 23 2016

Ms. Jill Weiss
Chair
New Horizons School Board
1000 Strathcona Drive
Sherwood Park AB T8A 3R6

Dear Ms. Weiss:

I am writing to express my gratitude for the collaborative spirit of New Horizons Charter School Society in working with Greater North Central Francophone Education Region to welcome Francophone students to Sherwood Park. I appreciate your leadership and your board's commitment to create a welcoming learning environment for New Horizons School students and Francophone students alike.

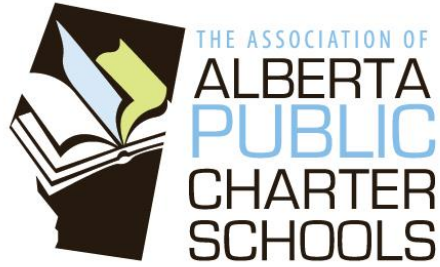
As September approaches, I am looking forward to seeing the outcome of your efforts. I am certain that the students will have a positive experience in their new schools and will have the support they need to have a successful school year.

Best wishes as you continue to prepare for your students this fall.

Sincerely,

David Eggen
Minister

cc: Annie McKittrick, MLA, Sherwood Park



Date: August 26, 2016

To: Superintendents of the Alberta Public Charter Schools

From: Dianne McBeth, President & Officers Don Falk, Yvonne DePeel (Co-Vice Presidents) & Meredith Poole (Secretary-Treasurer)

Re: Resignation of Executive Director

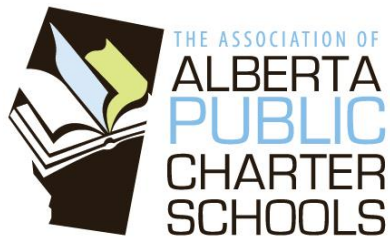
I am writing to inform you that Dr. Garry Andrews tendered his resignation as Executive Director for the Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools effective as of August 25, 2016. Garry resumed the Acting Superintendent position with the Palliser Regional School Division.

As you know, Garry has shared his wisdom and expertise in faithful service to TAAPCS. I am certain I speak for all of us in saying that Garry will be missed greatly. He is a knowledgeable educator, proven leader, and good friend to his colleagues in TAAPCS.

The Officers of TAAPCS are in agreement regarding the urgent need to appoint an interim Acting Executive Director as the EAC (09/09/16) and Association meetings (06-07/10/16) are close dates. We are currently working to address this matter in accordance with the Association's Bylaws.

Please share this information with your Board Chair and staff as appropriate.

Kind regards,



ANNOUNCEMENT

With great pleasure, the Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools announces the appointment of Jay Pritchard to the position of Interim Executive Director for the Association.

Jay brings a wealth of leadership experience from serving as Superintendent in both public and public charter schools. He is very familiar with the Association and knowledgeable about the significant contribution of public charter schools in meeting the learning needs of Alberta's students. He is a strong proponent of parental choice in education.

Jay also served as President and Co-President for TAAPCS where his leadership and enthusiasm for building a collaborative, supportive culture within the charter school community revitalized the Association and positioned it for future success.

In recognition of his distinguished service to Charter Schools and his leadership in The Association of Alberta Public Charter Schools, Jay received the prestigious "Halvar Jonson Award" in 2015. He is committed to assisting the Association in reaching its Strategic Directions: strengthening governance, developing communication strategies, and defining the Charter School research mandate.

Please join us in welcoming Jay back into our Charter School community!

Dianne McBeth,
President of TAAPCS

Don Falk & Yvonne DePeel
Co-Vice Presidents of TAAPCS