

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE YELLOWKNIFE EDUCATION  
DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES**

Meeting: Special Meeting

Time/Date: 12:00 p.m., November 24, 2016

Place: 5402-50 Avenue, Yellowknife Education District No. 1 Board Office

Attendance:	Chairperson	John Stephenson
	Trustee	Tina Drew
	Trustee	Rajiv Rawat
	Trustee	Jay Butler
	Trustee	Allan Shortt
	Trustee	Terry Brookes

Regrets:	Vice-Chairperson	Duff Spence
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Administration

Superintendent of Education	Metro Huculak
Assistant Superintendent of Education	Ed Lippert
Director of Corporate Services	Tram Do
Manager, Personnel Services	Stacey Scarf
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent	Tracy Turk

Others: Kirsten Fenn (*Yellowknifer*)

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12:14 p.m.

Acknowledgment of the Special Meeting was administered according to the Board Bylaws, Policy 5.

2. 11-5920-16

In-camera

Trustee Brookes noted items for discussion at this in-camera session include details from the negotiated NWTTA Collective Agreement.

Moved by: Trustee Brookes

Seconded by: Trustee Shortt  
In-Camera: 12:14 p.m.

Moved by: Trustee Brookes  
Seconded by: Trustee Shortt

Out of Camera: 12:48 p.m.

3. Chairperson's Opening Remarks

Chairperson Stephenson said there is one item on the agenda and it is to approve the negotiated NWTTA Collective Agreement. Highlights will be available in a joint press release with the NWTTA this afternoon. Union members voted 93.4% in favour of the new contract and saw a 91.1% voter turnout. The agreement covers teachers and EAs in YK1.

4. Adoption of Agenda

11-5921-16

Moved by Trustee Brookes  
Seconded by Trustee Drew

I move to accept the agenda as presented.

**Carried**

5. New Business

5.1 NWTTA Negotiations

11-5922-16

Moved by Trustee Brookes  
Seconded by Trustee Rawat

I move the Board of Trustees of Yellowknife Education District No. 1 accept the collective agreement which was negotiated with the NWTTA with details to be released later today.

- Trustee Brookes thanked the negotiating team for all of the work they put into the negotiations. He extended a thank you to Dave Johnson, our negotiator from Alberta. He said it was a fair and equitable settlement for all parties.
- Chairperson Stephenson said it is a four-year agreement. YK1 is following the GNWT as they just negotiated their agreement with the NWTTA. He noted a press release will be issued this afternoon. Union members voted 93.4% in favour of the new

contract and saw a 91.1% voter turnout. He noted November 9, 2016 was when the two parties reached an agreement in principle and it was ratified by NWTTA last night. Salary increases over the four years are 0%, 0%, 1%, 1%. The union was seeking and saw gains in improvements in working conditions. We explained YK1's fiscal responsibilities and explained our challenges of introducing JK and the funding impacts associated with that. Other items negotiated were discretionary leave provisions, sick leave credit increase, an increase to the principal's allowance and the housing allowance was added to salaries instead of a separate benefit.

**Carried**

6. Announcements

- Lunch With a Bunch at Baker's Centre: November 25, 2016 @ 11:00 a.m.
- Poinsettia and chocolate/orange delivery is coming up.

7. Date and Time of Next Meeting

- Committee of the Whole – December 13, 2016 – 12:00 p.m.
- Regular Board Meeting – December 13, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

8. Chairperson's Closing Remarks

Chairperson Stephenson thanked everyone for coming to this meeting.

9. Adjournment

11-5923-16

Moved by Trustee Butler

Seconded by Trustee Rawat

I move to adjourn the meeting.

**Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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Chairperson of the Board

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Director of Corporate Services