

ASBA Board of Directors Meeting

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TWO NEW PEOPLE JOIN ASBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Anne-Marie Boucher, Greater Southern Francophone Reg. Division, joins the board of directors as the Zone 5 Director. She replaces **Doug Gardner** of Foothills School Division. **Karen Kryczka** joins the board as the Calgary Board of Education representative. She replaces **Carol Bazinet**. See the ASBA website www.asba.ab.ca for biographies of all the provincial board members.

PROGRESS REPORT: 2008-2011 ASBA STRATEGIC PLAN

The development of advocacy plans focused on the three ASBA priorities: transportation, infrastructure and high school completion; research about the choice issue; participation in the government's special education review and public engagement initiatives including the summit were among the highlights of progress on the ASBA's strategic plan. See the second quarter report on the ASBA website at www.asba.ab.ca/policy_framework/strategic_plan.html

JIM GIBBONS TO JOIN ASBA STAFF

Jim Gibbons, who is currently superintendent of Chinook's Edge School Division, will replace **Leroy Sloan** as senior education advisor. Gibbons will join the ASBA full-time in June, 2010. While his duties as superintendent will be his main focus over the 2009 school year, he will be able to familiarize himself with his ASBA role over the course of the year. In the interim, consultant **Terry Gunderson** will be acting head of association affairs.

ASBA REVIEWS OFFICE SPACE OPTIONS

With the ASBA's current office lease set to end in the spring of 2010 staff are reviewing options. At its June meeting, the ASBA Board of Directors agreed staff should explore purchasing space as well leasing.

APPOINTMENTS

Bev Esslinger, Edmonton Public Schools representative to the ASBA Board of Directors, has been appointed to the Teacher Salary Qualification Board.