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## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** 07 February 2012

**To:** Board of Trustees

**From:** Tim Monds – Superintendent of Schools

**Originator:** Kelly Wilkins, Deputy Superintendent

**Subject:** **Council of School Councils Committee Minutes**

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### **Recommendation**

That the Board of Trustees receives as information, the Council of School Councils Committee Meeting unadopted minutes of 24 January 2012 as presented at the Regular Meeting of 07 February 2012.

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**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL COUNCILS (COSC)  
MEETING HELD AT THE CENTRE FOR EDUCATION, STONY PLAIN,  
ALBERTA ON 24 JANUARY 2012**

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**ATTENDANCE:**

**School Councils**

Blueberry School  
École Broxton Park School  
École Meridian Heights School  
Millgrove School  
Muir Lake School  
Stony Plain Central School  
Wabamun School  
Woodhaven Middle School

**Board of Trustees**

Trustee Goebel

**Administration**

Kelly Wilkins, Deputy Superintendent

**Recording Secretary**

Brenda Scott, Executive Secretary

**Presenter**

George Couros, Division Principal, Innovative Teaching and Learning

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Rhonda Schumm, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**2. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Rhonda Schumm welcomed everyone and introduced Mr. George Couros as a guest presenter

**3. PRESENTATION**

George Couros, Division Principal, Innovative Teaching and Learning, offered a presentation on Digital Learning. The presentation offered powerful examples of the impact that technology has on our students, their learning and their lives. The presentation slides and further information can be found at [http://slidesha.re/cosc\\_dl](http://slidesha.re/cosc_dl).

Mr. Couros concluded his presentation with the comment that technology is part of a student's everyday life and it is our responsibility, as parents and staff, to make sure that students are using technology to the best of its capability and that they are using technology in a safe and positive manner.

**4. CONTINUATION OF MEETING**

- Rhonda Schumm handed out an information package that included information on the Alberta School Council Association upcoming AGM; information on awards that are available for school councils; a copy of the proposed resolutions for the upcoming AGM; information on an upcoming teleconferencing session with Alberta Education Minister to be held February 8, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.
- Rhonda informed participants that the teleconference can be arranged at the Centre for Education so school councils can come together to listen and have the opportunity to discuss topics. Rhonda will send out an email to determine the interest.

- Blueberry School Council and Broxton Park School Council will be hosting parent sessions in the spring and will be forwarding information to school councils.
- The Parkland School Division resolution that will be presented at the AGM will be presented at the next meeting.
- Trustee Goebel gave a brief Board Report. Highlights included:
  - The Board continues the System Review looking at the West end situation;
  - A committee has been struck to select our Edwin Parr nominee (for outstanding first year teachers);
  - The Board has chosen school councils as the stakeholders that will be recognized at the Friends of Parkland reception to be held May 24, 2012.
- Deputy Superintendent Kelly Wilkins announced that Parkland School Division will be hosting an Education Planning Session on March 8, 2012 and that School Councils will be invited to send a representative to the session. More information to follow.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Next meeting is March 15, 2012 at the Centre for Education