

Board Minutes May 15, 2017

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board 20 Education Court, P.O. Box 2558 Hamilton, ON L8N 3L1

Trustees: Kathy Archer, Jeff Beattie, Christine Bingham, Penny Deathe, Wes Hicks, Alex Johnstone, Ray Mulholland, Larry Pattison, Greg Van Geffen, Todd White. Student Trustees Tory Dockree, Elizabeth Wong.

Regrets were received for Trustee Dawn Danko

1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #17-80: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

3. Swearing in of Student Trustees for 2017-18

Trustee Officer Heather Miller shared an overview of the new incoming Student Trustees, Morghen Jael and Ruby Hye highlighting their goals, accomplishments and interests. Both Morghen and Ruby read and signed the Oath of Office for Student Trustees before the Board.

4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from April 24, 2017 were confirmed.

6. Correspondence – Thames Valley DSB re: Native Language Courses – Class Sizes

RESOLUTION #17-81: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: That the correspondence be referred to the First Nations Métis and Inuit Community Advisory Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Reports from Trustee Special Committees:

7. Program Committee – April 20, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-82</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Archer, moved: **That Part A of the report of April 20, 2017 "Secondary Program Strategy – Update" be referred back to the Program Committee.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

<u>RESOLUTION #17-83</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: That the remainder of the report of April 20, 2017 be approved.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

8. Finance & Facilities Committee - April 26, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-84:</u> Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: That the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – April 26, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

9. Finance & Facilities Committee – May 3, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-85:</u> Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: That the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – May 3, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Reports from Staff:

10. Faith Community Advisory Committee – membership and Trustee appointments

A. Appointment of Community Members

Staff shared that they were looking for membership in three categories: Faith and Spiritual Traditions which consists of 10 faith affiliations. There were 32 applicants for the 10 spots. The second category was a community at large member and the final category was for student membership.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-86</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the membership for the Faith Community Advisory Committee be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

B. Appointment of Trustee representatives

The Chair called for nominations for Trustee representation on the Faith Community Advisory Committee. Trustee Beattie and Trustee Deathe submitted their names as representatives.

The Chair called three times for nominations and no further nominations were received.

Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the nominations be closed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

<u>RESOLUTION #17-87</u>: Trustee Bingham, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: That Trustees Beattie and Deathe be appointed as Trustee representatives on the Faith Community Advisory committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

11. Resolution Into Committee of the Whole (Private Session)

RESOLUTION #17-88: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 6:43 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 6:55 p.m.

12. Committee of the Whole (private) May 15, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-89</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: **That the report of the** Committee of the Whole (private) – May 15, 2017 be approved including that the Finance & Facilities report from May 3, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

13. Pupil Accommodation Question & Answer – Ancaster & West Hamilton City

Staff shared a PowerPoint presentation with the Board answering questions that were raised at the previous Board meeting regarding both the Ancaster and West Hamilton City PARs.

14. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:

A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

Chair White shared that both Trustee Van Geffen and himself along with Councillor Doug Conley were in attendance at the last City/School Board Liaison Committee. Unfortunately there were not enough people in attendance to meet quorum. Director Figueiredo and City Planner Chris Murray were also in attendance so those in attendance took this opportunity to have an informal open discussion about ongoing new builds and a number of capital projects as well as Parkland dedication fees. The committee will be meeting again the fall of 2017. In response to a Trustee question, staff shared that the new build school has been pushed back 8 metres and has also been fully approved to meet the changes required due to the LRT project.

B. Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association

Trustee Pattison shared that the Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association will be having their annual general meeting on May 16, 2017.

C. HWDSB Foundation

Superintendent Sharon Stephanian shared a number of items:

- The Prom Project wrapped up a couple of weeks ago with over 500 students from both the Elementary and the Secondary schools participating. It was a very successful event with increased participation from the previous year.
- The Golf Tournament will be taking place on Friday, May 26, 2017 at Willow Valley Golf Club and to date this event has raised over \$10,000. This year's event will host dynamic and entertaining MC's.
- The first annual foundation report has been finalized and posted online.

D. Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Trustee Johnstone shared upcoming events with the Board including:

- OPSBA Board of Directors last met on April 22, 2017 and reported that they have hired a new Director Russell (Rusty) Hick from Kawartha Pine Ridge.
- On May 1st and 2nd both Trustees White & Johnstone attended the Province's Community Hub Summit. More than half of Kathleen Wynn's cabinet were present and they had a great opportunity to meet and speak with a number of Ministers.
- June 8, 9 & 10 OPSBA's AGM is being held in Collingwood. Trustee Johnstone gave an overview of the workshops that are being offered at the upcoming conference.
- Trustee Johnstone highlighted legislative updates Bill 65 Photo radar, Bill 68 modernizing
 Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, Bill 114 Anti-Racism Act, Rural and Remote Education
 review. The Cannabis Act will be coming forward and Education Week was held on May 1, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.