

Board Minutes May 29, 2017

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

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

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 #17-90: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Archer, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes

The minutes of May 8, 2017 and May 15, 2017 were confirmed.

Reports from Trustee Special Committees:

5. Finance & Facilities Committee - May 11, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-91</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: **That the Accommodation** Strategy Schedule (Section 9) of the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – May 11, 2017 be referred back to the Finance & Facilities Committee for further discussion and staff clarification.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

<u>RESOLUTION #17-92</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: That the remainder of the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – May 11, 2017 be approved including the Long-Term Facilities Master Plan.

Finance & Facilities Committee – May 17, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-93</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the report of the Finance** & Facilities Committee – May 17, 2017 be approved including Elementary Facility Benchmark Matrix.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

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6. Program Committee – May 18, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-94</u>: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: That the report of the Program Committee be approved including year 4 (2017-18) of the 5 Year Transforming Learning Everywhere (TLE) Implementation Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Reports from Legislated Committees

7. Parent Involvement Committee – May 9, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-95</u>: Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: That the report of the Parent Involvement Committee – May 9, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Reports from Staff

8. 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 the Ancaster and West Hamilton City PARs.

9. Ancaster Pupil Accommodation Review – final decision

Trustees shared their reasons for supporting or not supporting the final staff decision. **RESOLUTION #17-96:** Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the following recommendations for the Ancaster Accommodation Review be approved:**

- A. That CH Bray, Fessenden, Queen's Rangers and Rousseau be closed pending the related Ministry of Education funding for two new JK-8 elementary schools on the CH Bray and Rousseau sites and to convert Ancaster Senior to a JK-8 facility. New English boundaries identified in Map #1 titled Ancaster Final Recommendation.
- B. That a new French Immersion program (grade 1-8) be created at Rousseau upon the completion of the Rousseau replacement school and that a boundary review be conducted.
- C. That a boundary review be undertaken between CH Bray replacement school (CH Bray and Queen's Rangers), New School on Beverly Community Centre site (Beverly Central and Dr. John Seaton), New School on the Greensville site (Greensville, Spencer Valley), and Sir William Osler to be completed in June 2017. Boundary identified in Map #3 titled Proposed Boundary Review.
- D. That HWDSB communicate with the City of Hamilton and all preferred agents identified in Ontario Regulation 444/98 in a timely and transparent manner to maximize the reuse of school property for community benefit.

The motion was **CARRIED** on the following division of votes:

In favour (9) Trustees Archer, Beattie, Danko, Deathe, Hicks, Johnstone, Mulholland, Van Geffen and White.

Opposed (2) Trustees Bingham and Pattison

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong were opposed.

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

<u>RESOLUTION #17-97</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 8:47 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 9:07 p.m. Trustee Mulholland left the meeting.

11. Committee of the Whole (private) May 29, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-98</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Archer, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – May 29, 2017 be approved including**:

- That the Human Resources Committee report from May 11, 2017 be received.
- That the Finance & Facilities Committee reports from May 11, and May 17, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour Trustee Bingham was out of the room

12. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:

A. Student Trustees' Report

Student Trustee Dockree shared that the upcoming Student Senate meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 31, 2017. They have been focussing on integrating the new incoming Student Trustees. The Student Trustees will be attending OPSBA's upcoming AGM on June 8-11, 2017.

Student Trustee Wong shared that OSTA/AECO has written a letter to the Ministry regarding Student Trustees having a binding vote, and the power to make motions and to second motions at meetings. The OSTA/AECO executives also met with Premier Kathleen Wynne to discuss this concept as well. The OSTA/AECO AGM was held May 26-28th and both Student Trustees and incoming Student Trustees attended. This was a learning opportunity for the incoming Student Trustees and a new Executive Council for OSTA/AECO was elected. Student Trustee Wong also attended "Chase the Future 2041" and spoke of the wonderful experience.

B. Director's Report

The Director highlighted and shared some key activities and community events that have taken place over the past month. These included:

- The Rainbow Prom where diversity was celebrated April 27, 2017
- The Coaches Dinner where the elementary teachers were celebrated May 10, 2017
- Yes I Can Awards held on May 11, 2017 where we focus on the abilities of our students and the gifts they bring.
- Special Olympics at Saltfleet Secondary School on May 17, 2017 where again the students special gifts and abilities were witnessed.
- During education week the Director visited Human display at Lawfield School which was a
 powerful display of student voice. The Director spoke of attending the open house where both
 staff and students told their story and there were some very powerful stories told especially
 from the newcomers.

- The Tiffany Hills opening ceremonies where the hard work and dedication of the Board could be celebrated.
- Along with a Community partner, Hamilton Youth Poets, the Director was a judge at a poetry slam, "Louder than a Bomb", at Theatre Aquarius on May 20, 2017. Three of the four Secondary Schools in the finals were Saltfleet, Delta and Westmount. He shared how wonderful these students were and would like them to attend the Director's Breakfast in August.
- The Director finished with a story around Chase the Future. Two students Gabe and Abigail, a grade 2 and grade 4 student, from Millgrove School shared their story about how they were interested in helping their City by reducing poverty. Gabe shared the number of people who suffer from Poverty in the City. He spoke of the amount of food that is discarded by grocery stores and asked everyone to sign a petition to be presented to the Mayor requesting a program where the City will go around to the stores and pick up the food to be shared with those in need. The grade 2 student informed all present that it is their responsibility to show leadership. This week the Mayor is visiting Millgrove School to listen to their idea and to see if they can put this into action.

C. Chair's Report

The Chair shared that the upcoming month will be very busy with wonderful events and encouraged the Trustees to join in and come back and share their stories with the Board. He shared that he attended a recent event at Delta with Trustee Mulholland and Superintendent Dunlop where a 50 year old time capsule was opened.

13. Committee of the Whole (private) May 29, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-99</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private) as per the Education Act, Section 207.2 (b) the disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the board or committee, this being done at 9:20 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 10:15 p.m. and adjourned.