
Trustees: Kathy Archer, Jeff Beattie, Christine Bingham, Penny Deathe, Dawn Danko, Wes Hicks, Alex Johnstone, Ray Mulholland, Larry Pattison, Greg Van Geffen, Todd White. **Student Trustee Ruby Hye**

Regrets: Student Trustee Morghen Jael

1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

2. Profiling Excellence

Superintendent Stephanian introduced the following students highlighting their achievements and contributions to the Board.

- Jessika Buick-Paul (Sir John A. Macdonald) - YMCA Peace Medal - Youth Individual Category
- Husky Peer Leadership Group (Nora Frances Henderson) – YMCA Peace Medal Winners – Group Category
 - Jenny Brown
 - Lena Darwish
 - Erika MacKinnon
 - Danielle Lund
 - Rachel Johns
 - Rachel Kudrenski
 - Ivy Tu
 - Keyierah Miller

3. Approval of the Agenda:

RESOLUTION #18-24: Trustee Pattison, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

5. Confirmation of the Minutes – February 12, 2018

The minutes of February 12, 2018 were confirmed.

Reports from Trustee Special Committees

6. Policy – February 14, 2018

Trustee Danko requested that items on the report be separated.

In reference to the 21st Century Learning policy, Trustee Danko raised the concern of students using electronic devices during both nutrition and lunch breaks where there is reduced supervision. There was discussion of the procedures that are currently in place and the possibility of updating these procedures.

RESOLUTION #18-25: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the 21st Century Learning Policy be referred back to the Policy Committee until such time that the procedures can be updated.**

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

In Favour (7) Trustees Archer, Danko, Deathe, Hicks, Johnstone, Mulholland and Pattison. Student Trustee Hye voted in favour.

Opposed (4) Trustees Beattie, Bingham, Van Geffen and White

It was noted that the Policy committee recommended that both the 21st Century Learning Policy and the Code of Conduct Policy come back to the Policy Committee at the same time in the fall of 2018.

RESOLUTION #18-26: Trustee Bingham, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the remainder of the report of the Policy Committee – February 14, 2018 be approved including the Fraud Management Policy.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

7. Finance & Facilities Committee – February 14, 2018

Trustee Pattison requested that the FI Boundary Review (Item C) of the report be separated out.

RESOLUTION #18-27: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the remainder of the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – February 14, 2018 be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

There was discussion of the FI Boundary Review – East Hamilton & Lower Stoney Creek (LSC). Trustee Pattison raised the idea of current Grade 5 students who are attending A.M. Cunningham be given the option of attending Ballard for grades 6 to 8. In answer to the questions staff shared that they would require 50% of the students in favour of attending Ballard in order to make a full classroom.

RESOLUTION #18-28: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That existing FI students living within the new East Hamilton and Lower Stoney Creek FI catchments continue at Glen Echo and Glen Brae and relocate to new area FI schools as identified through the East Hamilton - Lower Stoney Creek FI Boundary Review for September 2020.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

RESOLUTION #18-29: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That Students currently attending AM Cunningham will continue to attend Glen Brae until June 2020.**

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

In Favour (7) Trustees Archer, Bingham, Deathe, Johnstone, Mulholland, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustee Hye voted in favour.

Opposed (4) Trustees Beattie, Danko, Hicks and Pattison

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

RESOLUTION #18-30: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private), this being done at 7:41 p.m.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

The open session resumed at 8:50 p.m. Trustee Pattison did not return to the meeting.

9. Committee of the Whole (Private) February 26, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-31: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Archer, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – February 26, 2018 be approved including:**

- Engaging in Phase 1 of the Property Disposition process for Red Hill School property
- Engaging Phase 2 of the Property Disposition process for Cardinal Heights property
- Land severances
- Authorization to demolish Eastdale School at the end of June 2018

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

10. Oral Reports from:

A. Student Trustees' Report

Student Trustee Hye reported that she and Student Trustee Jael attended the OSTA/AECO BCC conference in Ottawa on February 15-17, 2018. They heard two wonderful speakers, Jody Alexander: an Algonquin of Pikwàkanagàn First Nation who spoke about anti-Indigeneity in various institutions and Maxime Le, a fourth year student at University of Ottawa who spoke about mental health as student leaders. The Progress Committee is currently working on updating the Student Trustee Handbook and the Indigenous Relations Committee is in the process of developing relationships with Indigenous Trustees and communities across Ontario, especially in Northern Boards.

Secondary Senate is working on creating a Constitution and they will be working with Karen Wilkins to promote and run the opening night of the annual HWDSB Arts Exhibit hosted at the Ed Centre.

Both the elementary and secondary Senate will be campaigning to promote the new Instagram account – @hwdsbstudents. The information session for the upcoming Student Trustee elections will be held on March 8, 2018.

B. Director's Report

Director of Education, Manny Figueiredo, gave an outline of some of the events that reflect on our five priorities:

Positive Culture and Well-Being – one of our outstanding Principals, Em Del Sordo will be honoured at the Learning Partnership celebration and will be receiving an Outstanding Principal Award. Members of Executive Council as well as Trustees will be attending this celebration to honour him.

Student Learning and Achievement - One of our students was honoured at the John C Holland Award and Manny along with Trustee Bingham attended the event to honour Alec. We also had students who were nominated from Sir John A MacDonald and Westdale.

Effective Communication – work is underway for the creation of our Strategic Communication Plan under the supervision of our Communications Manager. Input is being provided by ad hoc and focus groups.

School Renewal – Director Figueiredo publicly thanked the Facilities Officer Dave Anderson and his team as well as Associate Director Zucker for all of the work that is being done in the schools including moving the capital projects forward.

Partnerships – the Director attended a soup fest at the convention centre last week along with a number of our partners where he was one of the Celebrity Soup Servers raising funds for a worthy cause.

The Elementary Robotics challenge will be held at the Education Centre on March 26, 2018.

C. Chair's Report

The Chair of the Board, Todd White shared that there have been some delays with the Trustee Ward Accommodations. They are currently awaiting the correct data from MPAC and the City of Hamilton and once this is in hand then staff will prepare the information and Trustees will be notified of the Governance meeting dates to discuss the changes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.