
Trustees: Kathy Archer, Jeff Beattie, Christine Bingham, Dawn Danko, Penny Deathe, Wes Hicks, Alex Johnstone, Ray Mulholland, Larry Pattison, Greg Van Geffen and Todd White. Student Trustees Cameron Prosic and Tara Rezvan.

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 #18-141: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes: November 12, 2018

The minutes of November 12, 2018 were confirmed.

Reports from Trustee Special Committees

5. Human Resources Committee – November 5, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-142: Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the Human Resources Committee Report – November 5, 2018 be received including the Positive Culture and Well Being report, the Secondary Staffing Update and the Employee Support and Wellness Update.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

6. Policy Committee – November 14, 2018

Trustee Danko requested that the 21st Century Learning Policy (item B) be voted on separately.

RESOLUTION #18-143: Trustee Bingham, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: **That the remainder of the Policy Committee Report – November 14, 2018 be received.**

21st Century Learning Policy (item B)

The Board further discussed the 21st Century Learning Policy and the use of digital devices.

Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: that the following amendments to the 21st Century Learning Policy embed the following statements:

1. Guiding Principle (bullet #5)
Ensuring that Board and personal technological devices are to be used for educational purposes only, on Board property.
2. Intended Outcome (revision of bullet #3)
Provide oversight and supervision for access and use of Board technology and personally owned devices to promote responsible and effective use of digital technology for student and staff learning.
3. Action required (revision to sub point #3)

(Develop and/or update procedures on)

- Responsible use and teacher role for supervision of student access and use of technology on Board Property

Trustee Danko withdrew the motion and created a new motion.

RESOLUTION #18-144: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the 21st Century Learning Policy of the Policy Committee Report – November 14, 2018 be approved including the following amendments:**

Guiding Principle (bullet #5) include:

- That all devices be used primarily for educational purposes.

Intended Outcome (revision of bullet #3) to include:

- Provide oversight and supervision for elementary students for access and use of Board technology.

Update and rename the procedures to include:

- Responsible use and teacher role for supervision of student access and use of technology.

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

In Favour: (9) Trustee Archer, Bingham, Danko, Deathe, Hicks, Johnstone, Mulholland, Pattison and White. Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan.

Opposed (2) Trustees Beattie and Van Geffen

7. Finance and Facilities Committee – November 14, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-145: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Finance and Facilities Committee – November 14, 2018 be approved including the Pupil Accommodation Review Transition Update.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

8. Audit Committee – November 15, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-146: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: **That the Audit Committee – November 15, 2018 be approved including:**

- Presentation of the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board for the Year Ended August 31, 2018 be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for approval.
- That the Policy Committee consider a Whistle Blower Policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

Reports from Staff

9. Naming of the Dundas Valley SS Track and Field

RESOLUTION #18-147: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the new Track and Field at Dundas Valley Secondary School be named Art Samson Track and Field.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

10. New School on Memorial Stoney Creek – site design consultation

RESOLUTION #18-148: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the staff report on the Consultation – New School on Memorial Stoney Creek Site be received.**

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

In Favour: (7) Trustee Archer, Danko, Hicks, Johnstone, Mulholland, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan.

Opposed (4) Trustees Beattie, Bingham, Pattison and Deathe

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

RESOLUTION #18-149: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private),** this being done at 8:02 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour

The open session resumed at 9:39p.m.

12. Standing Committee – November 12, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-150: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the Standing Committee – November 12, 2018 report be received including the Transportation report.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour
Trustees Beattie and Van Geffen were not in the room

13. Committee of the Whole (Private) November 26, 2018

RESOLUTION #18-151: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – November 26, 2018 be approved including:**

- **That the Finance & Facilities Committee report from November 14, 2018 2018 be approved including a property matter.**
- **That the Audit Committee report from November 15, 2018 be received.**
- **That the Human Resources committee report from November 5, 2018 be received.**
- **That the Governance committee report from November 6, 2018 be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan voted in favour
Trustees Beattie and Van Geffen were not in the room

14. Oral Reports from:

A. Student Trustees' Report

Student Trustees Prosic and Rezvan shared the following highlights:

- Have begun school visits
- Senate has begun planning an advocacy/leadership/professional development day for students board wide, leaving it open ended so they can create what it looks like and what will happen
- Consistent numbers at elementary and secondary Senate
- Provincial government has invited everyone to participate in education consultations. This initiative has been named “for the parents” but is also for students and educators! We highly encourage everyone to participate, as the deadline is December 15th.
- Working to include their student voice in what we say at board meetings, as that was one of their specific requests (through presenting items on board agendas/delegations and gathering input).

B. Director's Report

The Director shared that he would typically do a year-end review at this meeting but this year thanked the Board on behalf of Executive Council for their clear direction and priorities. He shared that HWDSB has had more interest in partnerships since this Board took over four years ago. The Board has made difficult decisions on school renewal, accommodation reviews and the long term facilities master plan. Student learning and achievement has shown improvements in reading and the graduation rate and goes hand in hand with positive culture and well-being. This Board has modelled positive culture and well-being both in the Board room and working with one another.

The Director proceeded to go around the table and gave thanks to the Trustees who are leaving and highlighted their attributes and contributions to the organization.

Trustee Johnstone read some letters and comments that she received from the departing Trustees' respective schools. All departing Trustees had an opportunity to share their thanks and departing words.

C. Chair's Report

The Chair shared some reflections from the past eight years of service, four of them being the Chair of the Board. He gave his thanks for everyone's kind words and support. He indicated that it is difficult to determine what the best accomplishments would be because we do not know what would have happened if those decisions weren't made. He congratulated the Board and staff for working together as an organization and collaboratively. Chair White proceeded to go around the room and thanked each person individually and acknowledged their contributions.

The meeting adjourned 10:56 p.m.