

Board Minutes June 19, 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 Trustee Tory Dockree.

Regrets were received from Trustee Dawn Danko and Student Trustee Elizabeth Wong

1. Call to Order

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

2. Delegations – Re: Boundary Review for Ancaster, Dundas & Flamborough

- Pamela Sunjic shared that the Powerline Rd students would like to attend the new school located at the Beverly Central community school site. These students would like to remain in the Lynden community.
- Marry-Anne Somerville shared that her family would like to remain in the Beverly and Lynden rural school and community areas as they have been a part of that community for generations.

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

Reports from Staff

4. Ancaster, Dundas & Flamborough Boundary Review

Superintendent Torrens outlined the process for the Boundary Review, the purpose of the meeting and the rationale behind the three options that were presented to Trustees. Trustee Van Geffen thanked staff for the presentation and for their hard work in completing a boundary review in a timely manner. Trustee Van Geffen presented the Board with an alternative option.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-126</u>: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: That the following recommended boundaries for the Ancaster, Dundas and Flamborough areas be approved:

- A. That the boundary change between the new School on the Beverly Community Centre Site and the new C.H. Bray be approved as per revised Map #1 –That all Power Line Road West addresses attend the New School on the Beverly Community Centre Site.
- B. That all Power Line Road East families with students attending Queens Rangers be given the choice to attend the new School on the Beverly Community Centre Site or the new C.H. Bray for all students in the family. All new students on Power Line Road East will attend the new CH Bray.
- C. That the boundary change between the new School on the Beverly Community Centre Site, new C.H. Bray and Sir William Osler be approved as per revised Map #1 Expansion of Sir William Osler Boundary to Include Part of Governors Road. South of Governors Road Attends New C.H. Bray.
- D. That the boundary change between the new School on the Beverly Community Centre Site and new School on the Greensville School Site be approved as per revised Map #1 –That Middletown Road addresses south of Hwy 5 West attend the New School on the Greensville School Site.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Dockree voted in favour

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5. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:

A. Student Trustees' Report

Student Trustee Dockree shared that there have been two Senate meetings since the last update. At the meetings they had the senators reflect on their experience over the past year. The Senators felt that they were a part of the Board and that they had a voice that was heard. They thoroughly enjoyed their year on Senate and celebrated with a bit of a party at their last meeting. There was also discussion of having a student on senate who could represent the indigenous students at HWDSB. The new executive council have been chosen for OSTA and are currently undergoing training to take over their new roles. Both Elizabeth and Tory attended the recent OPSBA conference and were grateful for the opportunity to engage with Trustees from the other Boards. The student trustees received a lot of support from OSTA/AECO and fellow student trustees across the province on Trustee Johnstone's motion to have Student Trustee representation at OPSBA. Trustee Johnstone thanked the Student Trustees for all of their hard work over the past year, for their professionalism as well as the initiation of the Elementary Student Senate. Trustee Deathe shared that at the recent OPSBA conference HWDSB had 2 out of the 3 student trustees who attended and the Chair of OPSBA mentioned how great it was to have student voice at the table.

B. Director's Report

The Director shared some highlights of the past year.

Effective Communications – the Director indicated that our good news stories are getting out more frequently and the Communications Audit had some clear recommendations that now will be put in place.

Partnership – the Director highlighted three key events that directly impact students that HWDSB and partners held over the past year – The City of Hamilton Chasing the Future 2041, the HWDSB Robotics Competition with ArcelorMittal Dofasco and Hamilton Community Foundation with Abicus.

Positive Culture and Well-Being – the Director shared that he attended an event with both Sir John A Macdonald and Delta students who provided insights into the positive and challenging experience that they have encountered. There is now a group of students who will be sharing their voices to support students and staff to understand and learn the diversities within their communities.

School Renewal – the Director thanked the staff of both Business and Facilities for the work that they have completed. He reflected on the tough decisions that have been made with the PAR's since 2012 and the positive impact that these decisions have had for our students.

Student Learning and Achievement – the Director shared that our graduation rate continues to go up in the right direction toward our target. Staff are excited to align our high priorities school plan with our student learning and achievement plan and our positive culture and well-being with a strong focus on reading with the support of community partners.

The Director congratulated and paid tribute to Superintendent Peter Joshua who will be taking over the role of Director with the Peel District School Board.

C. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)

Trustee Johnstone updated the Board on the following items:

- The AGM was held on June 8-11, 2017. The motion to have Student Trustee representation at OPSBA table was passed. Trustee Johnstone approached our Student Trustees for support to determine if this was something that was desired and they connected with fellow student trustees across the province who then wrote letters of support as well as from OSTA/AECO.
- The request for a Governance Review did not pass however, it was asked that it go back to OSPBA and be considered again in a year giving the new Director the time to get settled.

- Legislative update Bill 142 was introduced, Bill 148 review and Rural and Remote Education Review
- CSBA AGM will be held in Whistler BC this year with a focus on First Nations students and education.

D. Chair's Report

The Chair shared that he and Trustee Bingham met with the City regarding the possibility of a Community Hub located on the Sir John A Macdonald site.

The Chair received news that HWDSB's top 3 capital priorities have been approved by the Ministry which include 2 new schools and 1 large addition for a total of 33.5 million dollars. HWDSB has received 173 million dollars in extra funding since 2012 to support the changes in our infrastructure. There are 8 schools in the works to be built and in total it will be 9 new schools and 10 additions that HWDSB has been granted.

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

<u>RESOLUTION #17-127</u>: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 7:05 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 9:15 p.m.

7. Committee of the Whole (private) June 19, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-128</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – June 19, 2017 be approved including**:

- That the Finance & Facilities Committee report from June 7, 2017 be received.
- That the Audit Committee report from June 8, 2017 be approved including that a Back-Up Disaster and Recovery Audit and Health & Safety Audit be performed as part of the 2017-18 Internal Audit.
- That the tentative, revised Terms and Conditions of Employment for Principals and Vice Principals, effective September 1, 2014 to August 31, 2020 be approved.
- That the Human Resources Committee report from May 11, 2017 be approved including a personnel matter.
- That a staff report related to a personnel matter be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Dockree voted in favour

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.