

## **Board Meeting**

Monday, June 12, 2017 Trustee Board Room

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

## AGENDA: 6:00 pm

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. O Canada
- 3. Recognition of Staff and Students
  - A. Staff from Billy Green School
    - Roseanne Cunningham (E.A.)
    - Rich Taylor (Teacher)
    - Pam Winter (E.A.)
    - Karly Hill (Teacher)
    - Brandon Berketa (Principal)
    - Janet Adler (Vice-Principal)
    - Karen Humphreys (Administrative Assistant)

## B. Profiling Excellence

### Students:

- Gachi Issa Westdale student Nelson Mandela Award
- Isaiah Williams Westmount student Youth Achievement Awards

## Staff:

- Kristen Roy Human Resources Legacy Scholarship from the organization Thinking Collaborative
- · Aaron Puley Sir Winston Churchill Sharon Enkin Award for Excellence in Holocaust Education
- Chrisanthy Nicolaides Glendale 2017 Women of Distinction Awards
- Gabriela Covaci CCE 2017 Women of Distinction Awards
- Diana Panton Westdale 2017 Women of Distinction Awards
- Marie Robbins CCE Citizen of the Year
- 4. Approval of the Agenda
- 5. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
- 6. Confirmation of the Minutes May 29, 2017 and June 5, 2017
- 7. Correspondence:
  - A. Thames Valley DSB re: Funding for Children with Special Education Needs
  - B. Thames Valley DSC re: Realignment of Funding process and policies for school consolidations
  - C. Thames Valley DSB: First Nations Student Trustee

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## Reports from Trustee Special Committees:

- 8. Program June 1, 2017
- 9. Finance & Facilities June 7, 2017
- 10. Audit June 8, 2017

## Reports from Legislated Committees:

11. Special Education Advisory Committee - May 31, 2017

## Reports from Community Advisory Committees:

- 12. French as a Second Language Advisory Committee May 31, 2017
- 13. Resolution Into Committee of the Whole (Private Session) 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
- 14. Meeting Resumes in Public Session
- 15. Report from Committee of the Whole (private) June 12, 2017
- 16. Oral Reports from:
  - A. Student Trustees' Report Local Activities & Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA) Report
  - B. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)
  - C. Director's Report
  - D. Chair's Report
- 17. Adjournment



## 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.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-96</u>: 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 26-28<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Board Minutes June 05, 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, Greg Van Geffen, Todd White. Student Trustees Tory Dockree, Elizabeth Wong.

#### 1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

2. Farewell to our 2016-17 Student Trustees – Tory Dockree and Elizabeth Wong

The Chair along with Trustee Deathe paid tribute to the work and dedication of Student Trustees Tory Dockree and Elizabeth Wong. It was stated what a great asset they were to HWDSB and that they have left their mark on our Board and will always be remembered for their implementation of the Elementary Student Senate. Tory and Elizabeth were presented with the traditional Dr. Seuss book "Oh the places you will go" along with a commemorative plaque. Student Trustees Dockree and Wong shared their thanks to the Board for providing an open and inclusive environment. They stated that they always felt like they were part of the Board and were treated as equals. They are very grateful to have had this opportunity to stand proudly as the Student Trustees of HWDSB.

3. Approval of the Agenda

<u>RESOLUTION #17-100:</u> Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Archer, moved: **That the agenda be approved.** 

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

- **4.** Declarations of Conflict of Interest None.
- 5. A. Correspondence Hastings and Prince Edward DSB re: Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test RESOLUTION #17-101: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: That the correspondence be received and filed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

B. Waterloo Region DSB re: Comprehensive review of the Ontario Special Education Model RESOLUTION #17-102: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the correspondence be received and filed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

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C. Strathcona Petition – Save Strathcona Elementary School – Say No to Mega Schools <u>RESOLUTION #17-103</u>: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the correspondence be received and filed.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Trustee Beattie took over as Chair. Trustee Beattie proudly announced that Team 2056 Orchard Park Robotics placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the world competition and Trustee Beattie held high, for all to see, the plaque that was awarded to this team. On Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> a robotics competition is being held at the HWDSB Education Centre for Elementary Schools. All are welcome to watch and cheer their favourite teams.

## **Reports from Trustee Special Committees:**

## 6. Finance & Facilities Committee – May 31, 2017

Executive Superintendent Zucker shared a PowerPoint presentation with the Board outlining the 2017-2018 Budget Estimates. The Ministry requires a balanced budget by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-104:</u> Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: That the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – May 31, 2017 be received.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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

## **Reports from Staff:**

## 7. Pupil Accommodation Question & Answer – West Hamilton City

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

## 8. West Hamilton Pupil Accommodation Review - final decision

Trustee Beattie shared a new proposal for the West Hamilton Pupil Accommodation Review final decision to the Board. There was discussion around the table of Trustee Bingham's proposal.

**RESOLUTION #17-105**: Trustee Bingham, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the following** recommendations for the West Hamilton City Pupil Accommodation Review be approved:

- A. That HWDSB seek partnerships to redevelop the Sir John A. Macdonald site as a Community Hub centred around a new JK-8 elementary school.
- B. That a Community Hub proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval no later than December 2017.
- C. That Hess and Strathcona close pending Ministry of Education funding for HWDSB's portion of the Community Hub project. New school boundaries identified in map titled Map #1 Revised.
- D. That all schools remain open failing the creation of a Community Hub on the SJAM site.
- E. That Bennetto introduce a French Immersion program (grade 1-8) in September 2018, commencing with grades 1-3. New French Immersion boundaries identified in map titled Map #1- Revised.
- F. 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.

## Amendment to the original motion:

<u>RESOLUTION #17-106</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: That an amendment be made to the motion, to reposition the clauses listed, so that Clause C is in first position, then followed by the remainder of the clauses.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

A second amendment, to remove "D" from the above amended motion was brought forward by Trustee Hicks and seconded by Trustee Deathe. This amendment FAILED on the following division of votes:

In Favour: (4) Trustees Deathe, Johnstone, Hicks and Mulholland

Opposed: (7) Trustees Archer, Beattie, Bingham, Danko, Pattison, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustees Dockree and Wong were opposed.

Prior to the vote on the amended original motion, Trustee Hicks asked that Clause D be voted on separately.

## To the original motion as amended,

- A. That Hess and Strathcona close pending Ministry of Education funding for HWDSB's portion of the Community Hub project. New school boundaries identified in map titled Map #1 Revised.
- B. That HWDSB seek partnerships to redevelop the Sir John A. Macdonald site as a Community Hub centred around a new JK-8 elementary school.
- C. That a Community Hub proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval no later than December 2017.
- D. That all schools remain open failing the creation of a Community Hub on the SJAM site.
- E. That Bennetto introduce a French Immersion program (grade 1-8) in September 2018, commencing with grades 1-3. New French Immersion boundaries identified in map titled Map #1-Revised.
- F. 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 amended motion **CARRIED** on the following division of votes:

In Favour: (10) Trustees Archer, Beattie, Bingham, Danko, Deathe, Johnstone, Hicks, Pattison, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour.

Opposed: (1) Trustee Mulholland

To <u>Clause D</u> in the amended motion, the motion was **CARRIED** by the following division of votes:

In Favour: (7) Trustees Archer, Beattie, Bingham, Danko, Pattison, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour.

Opposed: (4) Trustees Deathe, Johnstone, Hicks and Mulholland

## 9. Resolution Into Committee of the Whole (Private Session)

**RESOLUTION #17-107:** Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Van Geffen, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 9:07 p.m.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 10:04 p.m. Trustee Danko left the meeting before returning to public session.

## 10. Committee of the Whole (private) June 5, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-108</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – June 5, 2017 be approved including that the Finance & Facilities report from May 31, 2017 be approved.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

## 11. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:

## A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

Chair White shared that there were no updates at this time. The Committee will meet again in October 2017.

## B. Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association

Trustee Pattison had no updates to share at this time.

## C. HWDSB Foundation

Superintendent Sharon Stephanian shared:

• That the Annual Foundation golf tournament raised over \$30,000 this year and since its inception has raised over \$90,000 over the past three years.

## D. Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Trustee Johnstone shared upcoming events with the Board including:

• OPSBA's AGM is being held in Collingwood on June 8, 9 & 10.

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.



## Laura Elliott, Director of Education and Secretary

May 30, 2017

Hon. Mitzie Hunter Minister of Education Ministry of Education 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Mowat Block 900 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

Hon. Michael Coteau
Minister of Children and Youth Services
Ministry of Children and Youth Services/Anti-Racism Directorate
14<sup>th</sup> Floor
56 Wellesley Street West
Toronto ON M7S 2S3

Dear Ministers Hunter and Coteau:

I am writing to you today on behalf of Trustees of the Thames Valley District School Board to express our profound concerns about funding for children with special education needs.

Specifically, Trustees believe more supports are urgently needed for students with significant behavioural and mental health concerns, including dedicated Care and/or Treatment, Custody and Correctional (CTCC) programs in all communities and more long-term residential programs focusing on early intervention, as well as transitional classrooms for students.

The Province of Ontario has already demonstrated its commitment to Ministries working together in order to address complex needs. This is an example where your two ministries could work together in order to address an urgent and increasing need in Ontario communities.

As elected public school Trustees, we acknowledge the generous commitment this government has made to fund public education in Ontario. However, it is our responsibility to identify what we feel is a serious gap in support for these particularly vulnerable students.

We would be happy to provide you with further details of our concerns at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Matt Reid

Chair of the Board

c.c.: Laura Elliott, Director of Education, Thames Valley District School Board Laurie French, President, Ontario Public School Boards' Association

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## Laura Elliott, Director of Education and Secretary

May 30, 2017

Ministry of Education 22nd Floor Mowat Block 900 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

Attention: Honourable Mitzie Hunter, Minister of Education

Dear Minister Hunter:

I am writing to share with you the complex concerns identified by Thames Valley District School Board Trustees over the capital and ongoing funding for schools in our communities, particularly in rural areas. Let me begin by acknowledging our sincere appreciation for the generous financial support Thames Valley has received from the Ontario government. This has allowed us to build many new schools and additions that are the source of great pride among our students, parents, staff members and community.

We are also keenly aware of the problem of declining enrolment and share your concerns over the subsequent inefficiencies created by thousands of empty pupil places – particularly while facilities age and become costly to maintain. Through careful planning and an extraordinary amount of public consultation, Thames Valley has closed 41 schools since 2006. During that time, 67 new schools have been built or significantly renovated.

After having conducted a large number of pupil accommodation reviews, Trustees have reached the conclusion that, while communities deeply value their schools, the current funding formula puts small schools at a disadvantage. This is particularly true in rural areas where consolidations may result in longer travel times for students.

In some cases, the funding formula requires boards to consider closing smaller schools that are operating at or over capacity and in reasonably good repair – leading the public to ponder whether we are "fixing a problem that does not exist." As elected Trustees, we find ourselves unable to fulfill the wishes of our constituents under the current capital funding process.

We respectfully request that you realign the funding process and polices for school consolidation. Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely

Matt Reid

Chair of the Board

c.c.: Laura Elliott, Director of Education, Thames Valley District School Board

Ontario School Board Chairs



## Laura Elliott, Director of Education and Secretary

May 30, 2017

Ministry of Education 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Mowat Block 900 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

Attention: The Honourable Mitzie Hunter, Minister of Education

Dear Minister Hunter:

## Re: TVDSB First Nations Student Trustee

It is with great excitement that I write you today to inform you that earlier this month our school board approved policy changes that allow for the election of a self-identifying First Nations Student Trustee in the fall of 2017.

I believe this Indigenous Student Trustee position is the first in Canada for a school board. I hope you will encourage other school boards to take similar steps to help articulate their important student voice.

It is also important to note that this policy change came from our current Student Trustee, Stefan Suvajac. This is just one example of the significant work that Student Trustees accomplish in our school boards and province. While Student Trustee Suvajac's term is ending, the positive changes he has made will continue to benefit our students for many years to come.

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Ministry of Education 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Mowat Block 900 Bay Street Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

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May 30, 2017

Thank you for your time. I hope you will join me in congratulating our newest board member in the fall when we complete this important and historic election.

Sincerely Yours,

Matthew Reid

Chair of the Board

c.c.: Laura Elliott, Director of Education, Thames Valley District School Board
Hon. Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs
Chief Leslee White-Eye, Chippewas of the Thames First Nations
Chief Roger Thomas, Munsee-Delware Nation
Chief Randall Phillips, Oneida Nation of the Thames
Laurie French, President, Ontario Public School Boards' Association
Ontario School Board Chairs
Stefan Suvajac, Student Trustee, Thames Valley District School Board

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Presented to: Board Date of Meeting: June 12, 2017

From: Program Committee Date of Meeting: June 1, 2017

The committee held a meeting from 4:40 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on June 1, 2017 at 20 Education Court, Hamilton, ON, in Meeting Room 340D.

Members present were Trustees Dawn Danko (Chair), Penny Deathe and Alex Johnstone. Regrets from Trustees Christine Bingham and Greg Van Geffen. Trustee Todd White and Student Trustee Tory Dockree were also in attendance.

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## **MONITORING ITEMS:**

## A. Mountain Secondary School Transitions Update

Staff provided Trustees with an update on the transition process involving the 69 remaining students at Mountain Secondary which will be closing at the end of June. Out of the 69 students, 30 students will continue to be a part of HWDSB next year. The remainder will be graduating and either headed towards the workplace, or have been enrolled in programming with community partners, i.e. Mohawk College's CICE program and the Career Pathways Program. Suggestion was made and will be brought back to the transition team to ensure that the students who will be transitioning to their community schools be made aware of and encouraged to take part in the summer programming that takes place in HWDSB, to further familiarize them with their new school and provide them opportunities to socialize with other students from their new schools. In addition to them having their caring adult in place for September that they be paired with a peer who would be able to provide support to them as they navigate and adjust to their new school in September.

## B. Identifying High needs Schools - a Risk and Asset Model Approach

Staff presented the report which explains what data the Board will be collecting in order to identify the needs of students in High Priority Schools and how they will respond to those needs. In addition to the data that is already collected, they will be looking at including updated census data and EDI (Early Development Instrument) data as well. Trustees requested information for the upcoming Board meeting on what the plan is to support the current high priority schools for the next school year, i.e. number of reading specialists, EAs assigned to the schools, and other resources. Staff will provide an update and detailed plan in November with the Student Learning and Achievement report. Staff will then provide a monitoring report after their quarterly review in February to inform where we are and plans for remainder of the year, and into the following school year.

Timelines:	
June 2017	Through the budget process, equitable allocation of resources
July - August 2017	Review our Learning Opportunity Index and finalizing our high priority schools
	<ul> <li>Develop and finalizing our measurement and monitoring (research)plan</li> </ul>
September - October 2017	Develop a community steering committee of partners, system and school leaders
	<ul> <li>Review our student achievement data and positive culture &amp; well-being data for our</li> </ul>
	high priority schools plan
	Finalize our high priority schools plan
November 2017	Communicate publically the high priority schools plan in our strategic direction Student
	Learning & Achievement report
February 2018	<ul> <li>Monitoring report (quarterly update) to Program Committee</li> </ul>

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Presented to: Board Date of Meeting: June 12, 2017

From: Finance and Facilities Committee Date of Meeting: June 7, 2017

The committee held a meeting from 12:05 p.m. to 2:16 p.m. on June 7, 2017 at 20 Education Court, Hamilton, Ontario in Room 340D with Trustee Wes Hicks presiding.

Members present were: Trustees Jeff Beattie, Christine Bingham, Wes Hicks and Greg Van Geffen. Trustee Kathy Archer (electronically) and Todd White were present. Regrets were received from Trustee Dawn Danko.

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## **ACTION ITEMS:**

## A. 2017-18 Budget Estimates

Staff presented the 2017-18 budget for approval. Committee members and staff were commended for their many hours of work.

On the motion of leff Beattie the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

1. That the Board approve the 2017-18 Operating Budget expenditures in the amount of \$558,749,514 and that the Executive Superintendent of Board Operations and Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the expenditure of funds (refer to Appendix C).

CARRIED

On the motion of Christine Bingham the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

2. That the Board approve the 2017-18 Capital Budget expenditures in the amount of \$149,418,425 and that the Executive Superintendent of Board Operations and Treasurer be authorized to proceed with the expenditure of funds (refer to Appendix D). The Executive Superintendent of Board Operations and Treasurer is further authorized to secure short-term financing of project expenditures until such time as permanent funding is secured, if required.

**CARRIED** 

## B. Surplus Carry-Forward - School Budgets and Other Initiatives

Annually Schools have the opportunity to carry forward, for one fiscal year, a year-end surplus equivalent to a maximum of 10% of interchangeable budgets. Requests to carry forward any surplus in excess of 10% or an amount equal to or greater than \$25,000 must receive Board approval.

On the motion of leff Beattie the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS**: That the requests for school budget surplus carry forward into the 2017/2018 school year be approved (refer to Appendix A) and that the balance remaining at August 31, 2017 from funding for Major Capital Projects and Other Initiatives; if any, be transferred to working reserves on a temporary basis.

**CARRIED** 

## C. Long Term Facilities Master Plan – Annual Update 2016-17 (Revised)

At the May 11, 2107 Board meeting Trustees approved a motion to refer the Accommodation Strategy Schedule (Section 9) back to Finance and Facilities Committee for further discussion and staff clarification. Staff presented the report which contained five options which committee members considered and discussed.

On the motion of Greg Van Geffen the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS: That the Accommodation Strategy Schedule be:** 

West Mountain (West of Garth) in 2017/18
West Mountain (East of Garth) in 2017/18
Moratorium in 2018/19
Dundas in 2019/20
East Mountain (North of Linc) in 2019/20
East Mountain (South of Linc) in 2019/20

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

In favour (3) Trustees Beattie, Bingham and Van Geffen Opposed (1) Trustees Hicks.

## D. 2017 Capital Priorities Project Funding Submission

It is anticipated that the Ministry of Education will release a 2017 request for Capital Priorities Funding Submission during the month of June. As the Board approves the priority of requests to be submitted and there are no further Finance and Facilities meetings scheduled until September, staff brought forward a list of all potential business cases to be prioritized in advance of receiving the request from the Ministry. Staff reviewed the potential submissions and rationales.

On the motion of Greg Van Geffen the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS: That Hess Street School** be removed from the list of priorities.

CARRIED

On the motion of Greg Van Geffen the Finance and Facilities Committee **RECOMMENDS: That Sherwood Secondary** be moved up on the list to Priority #4.

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

In favour (2) Trustees Bingham and Van Geffen

Opposed (2) Trustees Beattie and Hicks.

#### **MONITORING ITEMS:**

## E. 2016/17 Average Class Size Report - Secondary

HWDSB is in compliance with Ministry secondary average class size requirements in 2016-2017. Boards are required to submit this information to the Ministry and to post the full report on the Board's public website.

## F. Interim Financial Status Report - April 30, 2017

The Interim Financial Status Report was presented and is based on available information and assumptions as of April 30, 2017. Budget to actual trends were reviewed in order to forecast the Board's August 31, 2017 year-end position from a financial, staffing and enrolment perspective. Work to date has projected surpluses and deficits in various expenditure categories. The Board is projected to be in a balanced position at the end of the year with a contingency of \$1 million.

## G. 2017/18 Elementary Facility Benchmark Strategy

Staff presented the report which detailed the projects that were approved for 2016/17 as part of the Elementary Facility Benchmark Strategy at the April 24, 2017 Board meeting. Based on the Guiding Principles for the Multi-Year Strategy staff shared the projects that they are putting forward for completion during the 2017-18 school year as part of year two of Elementary Facility Benchmark Strategy.

## H. Capital Projects Update

Staff presented the quarterly report that provides a construction update on capital projects currently in progress. The report included a summary of the capital projects underway, their status, and categorized by each of the projects' funding sources and Board project initiative.

## I. Boundary Review - Cathy Wever and Dr. Davey

Trustee Bingham brought up the request for a boundary review to be performed for Cathy Wever and Dr. Davey Elementary School. Chair White provided some clarification on the process to be followed. This item will be flagged for a future Finance and Facilities Committee agenda.

Respectfully submitted, Wes Hicks, Chair of the Committee

## Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

## 2017/2018 Budget Estimates

## **Summary of Expenditures by Economic Classification**

	2017/2018         2016/2017         Increase (Decrease)           Budget         Revised Budget         Over 2016/2017           Estimates         Estimates         Budget           \$         \$         %		6/2017 <sup>°</sup>	2015/2016 Actuals	
	\$	\$	\$	%	\$
Remuneration					
Salaries & Wages	401,908,676	388,512,180	13,396,496		386,510,638
Employee Benefits	74,368,593	69,084,412	5,284,181		65,260,774
Temporary Assistance	15,310,256	14,414,331	895,925		19,533,493
	491,587,525	472,010,923	19,576,602	4.15%	471,304,905
Consumables					
Professional Development	4,122,562	3,642,769	479,793		3,368,718
Textbooks & Supplies	20,619,148	23,384,364	(2,765,216)		17,918,457
Energy	10,295,000	9,877,900	417,100		10,010,515
Repairs & Minor Renovations	3,667,100	3,520,000	147,100		3,274,279
Computing Equipment	1,043,485	1,020,516	22,969		3,243,021
Rentals	2,300,476	2,316,916	(16,440)		2,367,153
Fees & Contractual Services	7,245,758	7,420,078	(174,320)		8,912,537
Other Expense	950,021	875,894	74,127		679,000
	50,243,550	52,058,437	(1,814,887)	(3.49%)	49,773,680
Transportation	14,918,439	14,627,061	291,378	1.99%	14,600,358
Contingency	2,000,000	2,000,000	-		-
Accumulated Surplus	-	-	-		(918,990)
Total Expenditures	558,749,514	540,696,421	18,053,093	3.34%	534,759,953

## **Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board**

## 2017-18 Capital Budget

## **Summary of Funding Sources and Expenditures**

	2017/2018 Budget Estimates	2016/2017 Budget Estimates	Increase (De Over 2016 Budget Est	6/2017
	\$	\$	\$	%
	7			
Funding Sources:				
Ministry Capital Allocation	91,550,000	52,244,000	39,306,000	75.2%
Estimated Proceeds of Disposition	17,000,000	12,500,000	4,500,000	36.0%
Ministry Capital Debt (Interest) Support Payment	7,387,911 *	7,609,723	(221,812)	(2.91%)
Temporary Accommoation	866,014	722,014	144,000	19.9%
Amortization	32,614,500	33,957,394	(1,342,894)	(3.95%)
Total Funding Sources	\$ 149,418,425	107,033,131 \$	42,385,294	39.6%
Expenditures:				
Construction in Progress	108,550,000 +	64,744,000	43,806,000	67.7%
Capital Debt Interest	7,387,911 *	7,609,723	(221,812)	(2.91%)
Temporary Accomodations	866,014	722,014	144,000	19.9%
Amortization	32,614,500	33,957,394	(1,342,894)	(3.95%)
Total Expenditures	\$ <u>149,418,425</u> ^	107,033,131 \$	42,385,294	39.6%

## **NOTES**

- + Appendix D-1 shows a breakdown of the 2017-18 Construction in Progress projects.
- \* The Ministry fully funds the payment of debentures related to previously approved capital projects. These are corresponding revenues and expenses related to the interest payments for these amounts.
- ^ Each year, the Board prepares its capital budget based on the expected projects to be completed during the year. Sometimes, due to unforeseen circumstances, not all of the work gets completed.

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## Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board 2017-18 Budget Estimates Capital Budget

## **Construction in Progress**

New North Secondary School
Nora F. Henderson Secondary School
New Greensville Elementary School
New Beverly Elementary School
Summit Park Elementary School
New Eastdale Elementary School
Sir Wilfrid Laurier Elementary School Addition
Secondary Facility Benchmark Projects
Elementary Facility Benchmark Projects
Secondary Program Strategy Projects
Elementary Program Strategy Projects
School Renewal Projects
Additional School Renewal/SCI

Total

Expenditures			F	unding Source	es		
Total		School					
Estimated	Capital	Consolidation	Full Day	Other	SRG	Proceeds of	Total
<b>Capital Budget</b>	Priorities	Capital	Kindergarten	Ministry	and SCI	Disposition	Funding
22,500,000	22,500,000						22,500,000
11,500,000	11,500,000						11,500,000
7,500,000	2,000,000		500,000			5,000,000	7,500,000
6,000,000		6,000,000					6,000,000
13,500,000	11,500,000		1,300,000	700,000			13,500,000
2,500,000	2,500,000				-		2,500,000
1,050,000	800,000		250,000				1,050,000
11,000,000					7,000,000	4,000,000	11,000,000
10,000,000					5,000,000	5,000,000	10,000,000
2,000,000						2,000,000	2,000,000
1,000,000						1,000,000	1,000,000
8,000,000					8,000,000		8,000,000
12,000,000					12,000,000		12,000,000
\$ 108,550,000	50,800,000	6,000,000	2,050,000	700,000	32,000,000	17,000,000	\$ 108,550,000

## Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Carry Forward

Name of School	Carry forward Requested	Rationale
Elementary		
Mount Hope	\$11,500 21% of 2016/17 budget	The school has underwent major renovations over the past couple years. The school has deferred the purchase of resources, equipment and furniture until early 2017/18 when the project is complete.
Spencer Valley	\$13,000 38% of 2016/17 budget	The school is deferring expenditures on equipment and resources until Greensville students arrive in September 2017 to ensure adequate funding is available to cover unexpected expenses for the new amalgamated school.
Total Elementary	\$24,500	



Planning Area	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
1 Westdale										
Dalewood	Complete									
Cootes Paradise	Complete									
Glenwood										
Prince Philip	Complete			Closed	SOLD					
2 Flamborough								LP		
Allan Greenleaf		BR								
Balaclava		BR								
Flamborough Centre										
Guy Brown		BR								
Mary Hopkins										
Millgrove		BR	Complete							
3 Central Mountain										
Cardinal Heights		GR	Complete		HS	HS	Closed			
Eastmount Park			Complete		Closed	SOLD				
Franklin Road			Complete							
GL Armstrong			Complete							
Linden Park		GR	Complete		Closed					
Norwood Park										
Pauline Johnson			Complete							
Queensdale			Complete							
Ridgemount		GR	Complete							
4 East Hamilton City 1										
Hillcrest			Complete							
Parkdale			Complete							
Rosedale			Complete							
Roxborough Park			Complete		Sold					
Viscount Montgomery			Complete							
WH Ballard			Complete	BR						
Woodward	_		Complete		Closed	Sold				

AR	: Accommodation Review
In Progress	: Accommodation Review in Progress
Complete	: Completed Accommodation Review
Open	: New School Open
GR	: Grade Reorganization

HS: School being used for transition
BR: Boundary Review
Closed: Closed School
LP: Land Purchase



Planning Area	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
5 West Hamilton City										
Bennetto						In Progress				
Cathy Wever						In Progress				
Central						In Progress				
Dr. Davey						In Progress				
Earl Kitchener						In Progress				
Hess Street						In Progress				
Queen Victoria						In Progress				
Ryerson						In Progress				
Strathcona						In Progress				
6 West Glanbrook										
Bell-Stone			Complete	Closed	SOLD					
Mount Hope			Complete							
7 East Hamilton Mountain										
CB Stirling									AR2	
Helen Detwiler									AR2	
Highview									AR1	
Huntington Park									AR1	
Lawfield									AR1	
Lincoln Alexander									AR2	
Lisgar									AR1	
Ray Lewis									AR2	
Richard Beasley									AR1	
Templemead									AR2	
8 Lower Stoney Creek										
Collegiate Avenue					Complete					
Eastdale					Complete					
Green Acres					Complete					
Memorial (Stoney Creek)					Complete					
Mountain View					Complete					
RL Hyslop					Complete					
Winona										

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Planning Area	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
9 West Hamilton Mountain										
Buchanan Park							AR1			
Chedoke				HS	HS	HS	AR2			
Gordon Price							AR2			
Holbrook							AR2			
James Macdonald							AR1			
Mountview							AR2			
RA Riddell							AR2			
Westview							AR1			
Westwood							AR1			
10 Ancaster										
Ancaster Meadow										
Tiffany Hills			LP			Open				
Ancaster Senior						In Progress				
CH Bray						In Progress				
Fessenden						In Progress				
Queen's Rangers						In Progress				
Rousseau						In Progress				
11 East Hamilton City 2										
Elizabeth Bagshaw					Complete					
Glen Brae					Complete					
Glen Echo					Complete					
Lake Avenue					Complete					
Sir Isaac Brock					Complete					
Sir Wilfrid Laurier					Complete					

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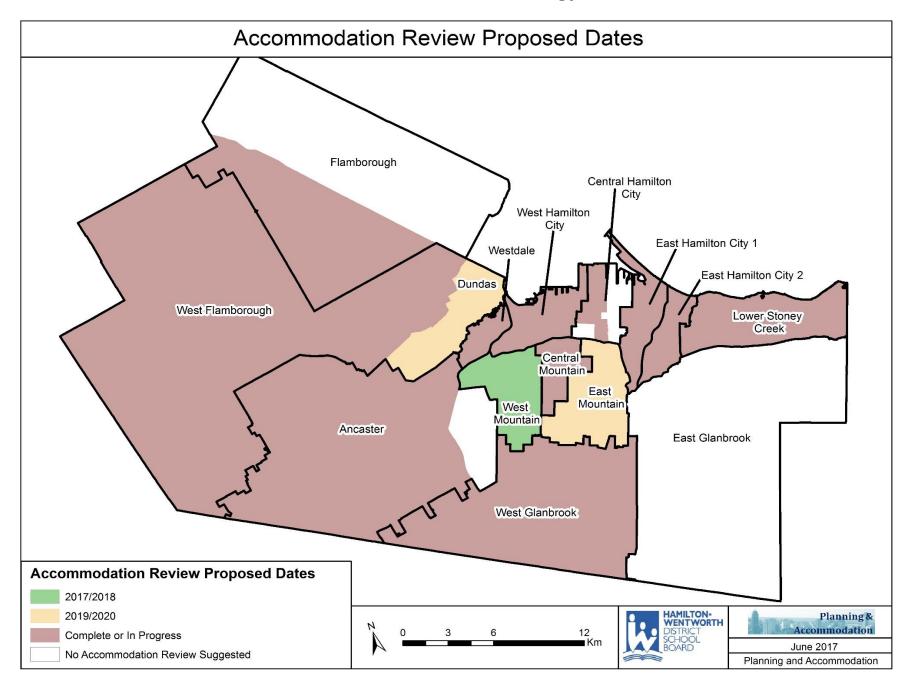
Planning Area	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
12 Central Hamilton City										
AM Cunningham				BR						
Adelaide Hoodless										
King George	Closed									
Memorial (Hamilton)	Complete									
Prince of Wales	Complete									
Queen Mary				BR						
13 Dundas and West Flamborough										
Beverly Central			Complete							
Dr. Seaton			Complete							
Greensville			Complete							
Spencer Valley		BR	Complete							
Dundana									AR	
Dundas Central									AR	
Sir William Osler									AR	
Yorkview									AR	
14 East Glanbrook and Upper Stoney Creek				LP					LP	
Bellmoore							BR			
Billy Green							BR			
Gatestone		BR								
Janet Lee							BR			
Michaelle Jean										
Mount Albion		BR								
Summit Park							BR			
Tapleytown							BR			

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Elementary Accommodation Reviews	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021
-	2	0	4	0	2	2	2	0	3	0





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1	Collegiate Avenue*	New School	lune 6		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>		1	Proposing a JK-8 elementary school on the Collegiate site as part of the Lower Stoney Creek accommodation review. New Collegiate School is proposed to accommodate 30% of current students from Collegiate and 100% of students from both Green Acres and RL Hyslop schools. All three schools have an FCI of 50% or greater and collectively have \$9.3 million in high and urgent renewal needs. All three schools combined have approximately \$4.3 million in benchmark and accessibility needs.
2	Glendale Campus*	New School	June 6, 2016		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	ТВА		5	Proposing a JK-8 elementary school on the Glendale Campus as per the Board of Trustees decision regarding the East Hamilton City 2 accommodation review. The new school would replace Glen Brae, Glen Echo, and Sir Isaac Brock and consolidate students from all three schools and 20% of students from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The three closing schools collectively have \$9.7 million in high and urgent renewal needs and \$1.75 million in benchmark and accessibility needs. Closing the 3 facilities would remove approximately 225 pupil places in East Hamilton City 2 planning area.
3	Memorial (SC)*	New School	June 6, 2016	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	ТВА		1 	Proposing a JK-8 elementary school on the Memorial (SC) site as part of the Lower Stoney Creek accommodation review. Memorial (SC) site is the most viable to build a new school while maintaining use of the existing facility and is the proposed site for a new French Immersion program that will serve the Lower Stoney Creek area. New Memorial (SC) school is replacing current Memorial (SC) school and 67% of Mountain View's students are proposed to attend new Memorial. Mountain View's utilization is currently 143% and the new school would alleviate enrolment pressure. Memorial (SC) and Mountain View both have an FCI of 50% or greater and a combined \$11.6 million in high and urgent renewal needs.
4	Mount Albion	Addition/ Renovation	N/A	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>		1	Proposing an 8 classroom addition due to enrolment pressures. There is remaining new residential development south of Mudd ST between First RD West and Upper Centennial PRKY. Four of the eight new classrooms will be to replace the existing aging four room portapac. The proposed construction will increase the capacity of the school to a point that warrants addressing Ministry benchmarks for existing spaces. The gym, for example, would now be considered an insufficient size.
5	Ancaster Sr.	Addition/ Renovation	May 29, 2017		<b>✓</b>				i i	Proposing a 3 FDK classroom addition and addressing benchmark, accessibility, and renewal needs to renovate Ancaster Sr into a JK-8 elementary school as per the Board of Trustees decision May 29, 2017 regarding the Ancaster accommodation review. Ancaster Sr will retain approximately 37% of its English program students and 26% of its French Immersion program students. It will also accommodate 100% of Fessenden's English program students and approximately 48% of Fessenden's French program students. Fessenden has approximately \$6.3 million in high and urgent renewal needs and \$4.4 million in benchmark and accessibility needs.
6A	CH Bray	New School	May 29, 2017		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			ā	Proposing a JK-8 elementary school on the CH Bray site as per the Board of Trustees decision May 29, 2017 regarding the Ancaster accommodation review. The new CH Bray school is proposed to replace the existing CH Bray and Queen's Rangers schools and to accommodate approximately 41% of current students from Ancaster Sr school. The two closing schools collectively have approximately \$4.7 million in high and urgent renewal needs and \$6 million in benchmark and accessibility needs.
6B	CH Bray/ Beverley Central	New School/ Addition- Renovation	N/A	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			✓ i	Proposing a 4 room addition, and a FDK renovation (converting 2 existing classrooms into 1 FDK) to the new elementary school on the Beverly Community Centre. Anticipated enrolments have increased from originally projected enrolments used in the SCC business case in 2014. The introduction of a before & after school program at Beverley Central school has increase kindergarten projections to warrant an additional FDK space. The FDK population increase has impacted future primary grades. This request may change to reflect outcome of the Ancaster boundary review.

<sup>\*</sup> Depentant on outcome of SCC Ministry approvals

7	Rousseau	New School	May 29, 2017	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	Proposing a JK-8 elementary school on the Rousseau site as per the Board of Trustees decision May 29, 2017 regarding the Ancaster accommodation review. The new Rousseau school is proposed to replace the existing Rousseau school. Rousseau will also accommodate approximately 22% of current English program students and 74% of French Immersion program students from Ancaster Sr school, as well as 52% of French Immersion students from Fessenden. Rousseau has approximately \$1.4 million in high and urgent renewal needs and \$.5 million in benchmark and accessibility needs.
8	Sherwood	New School	May 28, 2012	✓	✓	ТВА	Proposing the construction of a replacement secondary school for Sherwood Secondary. Rebuilding Sherwood would be a more cost effective and less disruptive accommodation solution for students and staff. Current and future generations of students would have access to quality learning and teaching environments to maximize learning and program delivery. HWDSB will contribute \$9,012,000 of identified funding to the project.

<sup>\*</sup> Depentant on outcome of SCC Ministry approvals

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Presented to: Board Date of Meeting: June 12, 2017

From: Audit Committee Date of Meeting: June 8, 2017

The committee held a meeting from 3:02 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. on June 8, 2017 at 20 Education Court, Hamilton, ON, in Meeting Room 340D with Trustee Van Geffen presiding.

Members present were: Trustees, Greg Van Geffen and Todd White. External members present were: Jean Bynres and Carol Calvazara. Regrets were received from Trustee Jeff Beattie

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## **MONITORING ITEMS:**

## A. Update from Business Services/School Board Sector Issues

S. Zucker reported that P. Joshua, Executive Superintendent of Leadership and Learning, has been selected as the next Director of the Peel District School Board.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Van Geffen, Chair of the Committee

## 11-1 **Committee Report**

Presented to: Board Meeting date: June 12, 2017

From: Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting date: May 31, 2017

The committee held a meeting on Wednesday, May 31, 2017, from 7:14 p.m. to 9:04 p.m., at the Education Centre (Room 308) at 20 Education Court in Hamilton, ON with Judy Colantino presiding.

Members present were: Jeremy Abrahams, Lita Barrie, Judy Colantino, Mark Courtepatte, Alex Johnstone, Andrea Lewis, Jenny McEwen-Hill, Brent Monkley, Michele Moore, John Sanges, Tracy Sheriff, Dr. Janice Tomlinson, Lynn Vanderbrug, John Whitwell

Regrets were received Penny Deathe, Christine Joseph-Davies, Tania Kerr, Catherine McFarland, Susi Owen, Barbara Reeves, Jennifer Robertson-Heath, Lorraine Sayles

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## **ACTION ITEM:**

## A. 2017-18 Budget:

SEAC recommends that data be collected to review the effectiveness of extra supports in the classroom to try to discern the appropriate level of resources (i.e., EAs, LRTs, etc).

## **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

## B. 2017-18 Budget Update:

D. Dawson, Senior Manager of Business Services presented an overview of the preliminary Special Education budget to be given to Board for approval by June 12<sup>th</sup>. This budget will then be filed with the Ministry by the end of June. Highlight includes 38.5 additional positions as well as an additional 10 educational assistants.

## C. Members' Updates:

- Trustee Johnstone provided an overview of the Ancaster area accommodation and reviews that have been approved by trustees. All schools in this area will eventually be K-8.
- The West Hamilton accommodation and area reviews will conclude with the trustees on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Discussion from most recent Ontario Public School Board Association (OPSBA) is around having student representation at the table.
- On June 1st the High and Moderate School Needs Report will be going to Board.
- Formal letter of strong complaint has been sent to province concerning large underfunding for FASD. Recommendations has been ignored, affection 2,500 kids.
- Some of the Special Education Services team will be relocating to Hill Park Secondary School. This includes Continuing Education and Section 23.

## D. Superintendent's Updates:

- Volunteer staff and community partners combined to make the elementary Special Olympics a great success. The secondary Special Olympics will be June 6<sup>th</sup> at Mohawk College.
- Yes I Can Awards dinner took place on May I Ith hosted by Council for Exceptional Children many students and staff were awarded Yes I Can! Awards.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Colantino, SEAC Chair

## **Committee Report**

Presented to: Board Meeting date: June 12, 2017

From: French as a Second Language Meeting date: May 31, 2017

Community Advisory Committee

The committee held a meeting on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at the Education Centre, 20 Education Court, Hamilton, Ontario L9A 0B9 from 7:00 to 7:55 p.m.

Members present were: Heather Hillen, Lisa Urban, Elzbieta Grodek, Denise Massie, Catherine Roberts, Trustee Todd White.

Regrets received from: Candace Burgess, Michael Cain, Jordan Egan, Joanne Thompson, Trustee Dawn Danko.

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## **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- A. The committee discussed membership recruitment for next year to include both Core French and French Immersion parents.
- B. Staff provided updates about the progress and next steps of the Ancaster and West Hamilton City PAR's, especially as related to French Immersion programs.
- C. Staff provided an update about the Implementation of English Instruction in grade 1 French Immersion for September 2017 as per the Elementary Program Strategy.
- D. Reports: The following reports were provided as updates to FASL:
  - FSL Program Update
  - PIC Update
  - Community Announcements:
    - Canadian Parents for French
    - o McMaster University

Respectfully submitted, Heather Hillen and Lisa Urban, Co-Chairs of the Committee