
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 6:05 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #16-166: Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

4. Correspondence

A. Monique Taylor, MPP re: Sherwood Secondary School

RESOLUTION #16-167: Trustee Mulholland, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the correspondence be received and filed.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

B. Bluewater DSB re: Progress update from Ministry of Education on the Truth and Reconciliation Report's Calls to Action Report

Staff shared that Executive Council and some of the schools have begun to recognize and honour the lands that the schools are situated on. The Principals of the schools have been provided with the language and terminology to use when acknowledging the lands. Staff are also working with the Facilities Management department to create plaques that will be affixed at the entranceway of all HWDSB schools with the land acknowledgement. These are two small ways of reminding our broader community about the important history and heritage of our aboriginal people in this area.

RESOLUTION #16-168: Trustee Pattison, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the correspondence be referred to the First Nations Métis and Inuit Committee (FNMI).**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Reports from Trustee Special Committees

5. Policy Committee – October 5, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-169: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Beattie moved: **That the report of the Policy Committee – October 5, 2016 be approved.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

6. Human Resources Committee – October 6, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-170: Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Human Resources Committee – October 6, 2016 be received.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

7. Finance and Facilities Committee – October 12, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-171: Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Finance & Facilities Committee – October 12, 2016 be received.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Trustee Beattie assumed the Chair.

8. Program Committee – October 13, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-172: Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Program Committee – October 13, 2016 be received.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Trustee White resumed the Chair.

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

RESOLUTION #16-173: Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private), this being done at 7:40 p.m.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 8:46 p.m.

10. Reports from:

A. Standing Committee – October 17, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-174: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the report of the Standing Committee – October 17, 2016 be received.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour
Trustees Archer and Danko left the meeting
Trustee Van Geffen were not present for the vote

B. Committee of the Whole (Private) – October 24, 2016

RESOLUTION #16-175: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (Private) – October 24, 2016 be received including:**

- **That the Human Resources Committee report from October 6, 2016 be received.**
- **That the Finance & Facilities Committee report from October 12, 2016 be received.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour
Trustees Archer and Danko left the meeting
Trustee Van Geffen were not present for the vote

11. Oral Reports

A. Student Trustees' Report

- Student Trustee Dockree shared that they held their first Secondary Student Senate meeting on October 12, 2016. At the second Secondary Student Senate meeting being held on October 26, 2016 they will be electing the Executive members of the Secondary Student Senate. The Executive members will be supporting the Student Trustees and administrative staff in conducting the Elementary Student Senate. They are currently in the process of setting up the Elementary Student Senate.
- Student Trustee Wong shared that OSTA is preparing for the OSTA/AECO Fall General meeting which will take place November 17-20, 2016. They will be having Toronto City Counsellor Norm Kelly as the keynote speaker at the FGM. The Executive team of OSTA will be meeting with the Ministry to discuss what this year's goals of OSTA/AECO will be and what they will be advocating for this coming term.

B. Director's Report

- Director Figueiredo shared that staff are working at implementing the annual operating plan. They have held two Principal meetings where the schools are now setting their annual plans to align with the Board's annual plan. They are working with staff to set goals that are realistic and attainable based on the students in front of them. Staff have based the annual plan on school data and the schools are basing their plan on classroom data. Director Figueiredo will be visiting the Secondary Schools over the next two months.
- Director Figueiredo spoke of the key learning that staff have been engaged in regarding the graduation goal. They continue to support Empower Reading in the Secondary Schools in partnership with the Sick Kids Trainer. They have been doing

some work with the Science and Tech teachers as well as the Co-Op Teacher Trainers.

- Senior Staff have been preparing for the kick off for United Way campaign. Director Figueiredo attended the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) to answer questions regarding the new Strategic Directions. On October 18, 2016 he represented the Board at the Hamilton Community Foundation meeting where Terry Cooke had a panel discussion with the community members around the Abacus Strategy and he shared that the Hamilton Community Foundation continues to support HWDSB in after school intervention supports for students in the middle years. On September 30, 2016 Director Figueiredo was able to attend a Keys Dedication Ceremony hosted by the Habitat for Humanity and our construction program “building careers from the ground up” where houses were dedicated to families in our school communities.
- The Director shared upcoming celebrations which included our Partnership celebration, Pathways information night and our Peace Tree celebration.
- Director Figueiredo shared that we had four students recognized at the African Caribbean Cultural Potpourri Celebration.

C. Chair’s Report

The Chair reflected that it is a pleasure to work with the Director, Executive Council and Trustees. The Chair and the Vice-Chair worked with Staff on the recent Board meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.