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

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**Regrets were received from: Trustee Kathy Archer, Student Trustee Elizabeth Wong**

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## 1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in support of our fellow Canadians involved in the tragedy that occurred in Quebec City over the weekend.

## 2. Profiling Excellence:

Superintendent Stephanian introduced the following staff, discussing briefly their achievements:

- Sarah Martin – Huntington Park – Grade 2/3 SAGE class - 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Explore Your World School Contest (Telling Tales 2016)
- Deandra Pierroz – Mount Hope School – Grade 3 class - 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Explore Your World School Contest (Telling Tales 2016)
- Lisa Clarke – Franklin Road School - Bike to School Week Award for Hamilton Region for Franklin Road School
- Jeff Morgan – Glendale Secondary School – Board of Directors, Pickleball Association of Ontario
- Christine Rees – Literacy/French as a Second Language – President of 2016 National Conference for Association Canadienne des Professeurs d’Immersion

## 3. Approval of the Agenda

**RESOLUTION #17-15:** Trustee Pattison, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Dockree voted in favour  
Trustee Danko was out of the room

## 4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

**Reports from Trustee Special Committees:**

**5. Policy Committee – January 11, 2017**

Trustee Beattie thanked Trustee Danko for her leadership during the previous school year.

**RESOLUTION #17-16:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the report of the Policy Committee – January 11, 2017 be approved including the Integrated Accessibility Standards Policy, the Visual Identity Policy and the revoking of the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Dockree voted in favour

**Reports from Legislated Committees**

**6. Parent Involvement Committee – January 10, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-17:** Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Parent Involvement Committee – January 10, 2017 be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree voted in favour

**7. Report from Standing Committee – January 23, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-18:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Standing Committee – January 23, 2017 be approved, including the Draft 2017-2018 School Year Calendar for consultation.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Dockree voted in favour

**8. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:**

**A. Student Trustees' Report**

Student Trustee Dockree shared that a well-attended holiday party took place in December which included both the Elementary and Secondary Senate. At this meeting both senates discussed some of the challenges that occur within their schools and collaboratively developed solutions. The Student Trustees spoke to both senates recently about transportation concerns with both the City and school busses. This information will be shared with Trustees at a later date. At the upcoming Secondary Senate the Student Trustees will be discussing the Board's correspondence regarding the fees for OSAP and university applications. The Elementary Senate meeting will include a discussion of the extracurricular options available to students within their elementary schools and the possibility of creating student councils within their schools.

The Student Trustees recently attended the Public Education Symposium and gained a great deal of knowledge in the running of effective meetings including student senate.

**B. Director's Report**

On January 18, 2017 the Director and Executive Council held a system leaders meeting. A video was created which spoke to the five Strategic Directions Priorities and the importance of our

leaders carrying the story and implementing the five priorities. The Director shared the video with Trustees. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DqxcigjQy5k>

### **C. Chair's Report**

The Chair spoke of the clear, genuine communication and the amount of work that has been undertaken with our Pupil Accommodation Reviews (PAR). He shared that many Trustees have been involved in the process, attended meetings and shared the process with the communities so that there is a clear understanding of why we have PARs. He shared that it is through the work of the Board and Staff that we have made great gains and revitalized communities. He also thanked Trustees who recently attended the OPSBA conference and for sharing some very interesting ideas.

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.