

Board Minutes February 13, 2017

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

Trustees: 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, Elizabeth Wong.

Regrets were received from Trustee Kathy Archer.

1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #17-19: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, 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 Minutes

The minutes from January 23, 2017 and January 30, 2017 were confirmed.

Reports from Trustee Special Committees:

5. Governance Committee – January 31, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-20</u>: Trustee White, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: That the report of the Governance Committee – January 31, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

6. Policy Committee – February 1, 2017

Trustees reviewed the Use of Board Facilities Policy and recommended that an amendment be made to Appendix G to include Board endorsed events.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-21:</u> Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: That the Use of Board Facilities Policy be amended to include Board endorsed events within Appendix G.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

<u>RESOLUTION #17-22</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: That the report of the Policy Committee – February 1, 2017 be approved, including Employee Expense Policy and Use of Board Facilities Policy.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

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7. Finance & Facilities Committee – February 1, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-23</u>: Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the report of the**Finance & Facilities Committee – February 1, 2017 be approved, including that Board staff be directed to relocate all or portions of Community and Continuing Education programs, Alternative Education programs and the Archives to Hill Park with a reduced scope and budget to a maximum of \$5.2 million.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

8. French as a Second Language Community Advisory Committee – January 25, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-24</u>: Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Hicks, moved: That the report of the French as a Second Language Community Advisory Committee – January 25, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

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

RESOLUTION #17-25: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 6:39 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 6:49 p.m.

10. Committee of the Whole (private) February 13, 2017

<u>RESOLUTION #17-26</u>: Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the**Committee of the Whole (private) – February 13, 2017 be approved including the Governance
Committee report from January 31, 2017 be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

11. Oral Reports from Liaison Committees:

A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

Chair White had nothing to report at this time. The upcoming meeting will be held at City Hall on March 7, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. and all Trustees are welcome to attend or submit agenda items.

B. Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association

Trustee Pattison shared that there were no updates at this time. The next meeting is scheduled for March 21, 2017.

C. HWDSB Foundation

Trustee Danko shared a number of items:

- The school grant applications are now closed and the selection committee will be reviewing these applications on Friday, February 17, 2017. They received requests from 26 schools that impact 4,382 students at a cost of roughly \$32,000. Applicants are also being encouraged to apply for ABACUS teacher grants where appropriate. They are projecting the overall grants will total around \$70,000.
- The Foundation's first annual report will be distributed in March 2017.

- The Foundation AGM is February 15, 2017 in Room 301 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. at the Education Centre. Vice-Principal Christine Nicolaides will share the impact the Foundation has had on their school and the Prom Project event.
- The Prom Project has been launched and the fashion show will take place at Limeridge Mall on Saturday, March 25, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. The Prom Project Hamilton Event will take place at Sir Allan MacNab on April 29, 2017 and May 6, 2017 at Delta Secondary School.
- The Golf Tournament is set for Friday, May 26, 2017.

D. Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Trustee Johnstone shared upcoming events with the Board including:

- Labour Relations Symposium is taking place on April 6 & 7, 2017.
- The next regional meeting will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2017 by the Peel Board.
- Summit on Children & Youth Mental Health will take place in 2018.
- The AGM will be held June 8-11, 2017 at Blue Mountain.
- The Ontario Legislative Assembly will continue to be on their winter recess until February 21, 2017.
- The Ministry is looking at potentially extending before and after school programming to Grade 6.
- OPSBA has asked all Boards to complete a survey "Understanding Well-Being" which Trustee
 Johnstone will be completing with Staff and is looking for input from Trustees and Student
 Trustees.

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.