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**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 and Elizabeth Wong.**

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**1. Call to Order**

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

**2. Profiling Excellence:**

Superintendent Stephanian introduced the following student and staff, briefly sharing their achievements:

- Deeksha Polamreddy, Student, Westdale - Food 4 Kids
- Nanci-Jane Simpson, Principal, Adelaide Hoodless - Food 4 Kids
- Shannon Basham, Teacher, Adelaide Hoodless - Food 4 Kids
- Terry Geyer, Teacher, Prince of Wales - Tim Horton's Children's Foundation

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**RESOLUTION #17-27:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: **That the agenda be approved.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

**4. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

None.

**5. Confirmation of the Minutes**

The minutes of February 13, 2017 were confirmed.

**Reports from Trustee Special Committees:**

**6. Finance & Facilities Committee – February 8, 2017**

Trustees requested that the items of the report be voted on as three separate items.

**A. Beverly Central and Dr. Seaton School Temporary Accommodation Proposal Consultation**

**RESOLUTION #17-28:** Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That students from Beverly Central and Dr. J. Seaton elementary schools remain in their respective locations until the opening of the new elementary school on the Beverly Community Centre site.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

**B. Elementary Program Strategy Benchmarks**

**RESOLUTION #17-29:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the item be referred back to the Finance and Facilities Committee to further discuss how the elementary benchmark strategy will be addressed at all schools.**

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

In favour (9) Trustees Archer, Bingham, Beattie, Danko, Deathe, Johnstone, Pattison, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustees Tory Dockree and Elizabeth Wong

Opposed (2) Trustee Hicks, Mulholland

**C. Capital Projects Update**

**RESOLUTION #17-30:** Trustee Hicks, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Capital Projects Update be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

**7. Program Committee – February 16, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-31:** Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Program Committee – February 15, 2017 be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

**Reports from Legislated Committees**

**8. Parent Involvement Committee – February 14, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-32:** Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Parent Involvement Committee – February 14, 2017 be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Trustee Beattie was out of the room

**9. Report from Special Education Advisory Committee – January 25, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-33:** Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Special Education Advisory Committee – January 25, 2017 be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

**10. Resolution Into Committee of the Whole (Private Session)**

**RESOLUTION #17-34:** Trustee Danko, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 8:00 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

The open session resumed at 8:16 p.m. Trustee Danko had left the meeting.

**11. Committee of the Whole (private) February 27, 2017**

**RESOLUTION #17-35:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the report of the Finance and Facilities Committee (private) – February 8, 2017 be received.**

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Dockree and Wong voted in favour

Trustee Hicks was out of the room

**12. Written Notices of Motion: Amendment to Elementary Program Strategy Benchmarks**

Trustee Van Geffen withdrew the Notice of Motion given the earlier motion to refer the Finance and Facilities Committee report back to the Committee and the willingness for an open discussion.

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

**A. Student Trustees' Report**

Student Trustee Wong shared that both Student Trustees attended the Board Council Conference held in Ottawa by OSTA/AECO on February 16 – 19, 2017. At the conference they listened to presentations on the prevention of sexual harassment in schools and during the break outs discussed effective communication within their Boards. Student Trustees attending the conference were interested in HWDSB's Elementary Student Senate and the logistics behind it.

The Ontario student voice awards were recently launched and honoured students who have a commitment to justice, cultural involvement, student voice, dedication to the arts and entrepreneurial initiative. These awards are available to any students with the exception of the Student Trustees.

Student Trustee Dockree shared that at the recent Secondary Student Senate meeting there were questions raised about why students can't enter the SHSM program as grade nine students, the difficulty getting into SHSM's if you are out of catchment as well as how SHSM locations are determined.

The HWDSB Foundation spoke to Senate about the upcoming Prom Project and the need to share this information with their respective schools. At the Elementary Senate there was discussion of having uniforms in the school and Trustee Johnstone joined the meeting and the

discussion as well. The information session for the upcoming Student Trustee elections will take place on March 1, 2017.

A thank you was extended to both Trustees and Staff for the constant support of the Student Trustees and for making them feel that they are part of the Board and not just students.

### **B. Director's Report**

On behalf of CODE, Director Figueiredo attended the Provincial Mental Health Leadership event hosted by Dr. Kathy Short on February 10, 2017. He was amazed to witness the level of expertise and the following that Dr. Short has and what provisions have been proven to work in supporting students with mental health challenges.

Executive Council have been engaging in budget discussion with the lens of moving student achievement and learning forward. On February 28, 2017 Executive Council will be having their quarterly review of the Annual Plan and March 3<sup>rd</sup> will be the System PA Day which involves the mid-year check in on School Annual Plans.

The Director visited HWDSB's new school, Tiffany Hills, on February 1, 2017 and was able to witness the efforts of our service department staff and school leader and how seamlessly they opened a new school. He shared the excitement of seeing the results of the PARs and the renewal of schools as a result of the PARs.

The Director also indicated that the Public Health is undergoing a program review and working with the four school boards to determine the best model to support the school boards. Further updates will be coming back to Board.

Executive Council along with Trustees Deathe and Danko were able to witness Food 4 Kids backpack packing event and were overwhelmed with the need of 1025 students and families, from both boards, that require something that most folks take for granted, and that is meals for the weekend.

On February 25, 2017 two of our students received awards at the Rev. John C Holland Awards night. Director Figueiredo indicated that when these students gave their thank you speeches they "knocked it out of the park" and received standing ovations.

On February 10<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> we had great news stories in the Spectator because of the leadership of our students and our staff in schools.

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

The Chair spoke of the great strides and accomplishments that the Board has undergone due to the work of the Pupil Accommodation Reviews and thanks were shared with all of those involved to make this happen. The City/School Board Liaison Committee meeting will be held at City Hall on March 7, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.