

# 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 <u>RESOLUTION #17-102</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

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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.

<u>RESOLUTION #17-105</u>: 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.
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- 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.