

## Board Minutes April 30, 2018

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

Trustees: Kathy Archer, Jeff Beattie, Christine Bingham, Penny Deathe, Wes Hicks (electronically), Alex Johnstone, Ray Mulholland, Greg Van Geffen, Todd White. Student Trustee Ruby Hye

Regrets: Trustees Dawn Danko, and Larry Pattison. Student Trustee Morghen Jael

1. Call to Order

Todd White, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

**RESOLUTION #18-48:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Pattison, moved: **That the agenda be approved.** 

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Confirmation of the Minutes: March 19 and March 26, 2018

The minutes for March 19, 2018 and March 26, 2018 were confirmed.

5. Correspondence: Blue Water DSB re: Provincial Think Tank to plan for future technologies, artificial intelligence and transformational innovations.

<u>RESOLUTION #18-49:</u> Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: That the correspondence: Blue Water DSB re: Provincial Think Tank to plan for future technologies, artificial intelligence and transformational innovations be received and filed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

**Reports from Trustee Special Committees** 

6. Policy – April 11, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-50:</u> Trustee Bingham, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Policy Committee** Report – April 11, 2018 be approved including:

- Parent Engagement Policy
- Student Registration and Admission Policy
- Political Activities in school during Elections Policy
- 7. Finance & Facilities Committee March 21, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-51:</u> Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Finance &** Facilities Committee Report – March 21, 2018 be approved.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

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## 8. Finance & Facilities Committee - March 28, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-52:</u> Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Finance & Facilities**Committee Report – March 28, 2018 be approved including:

- 2018-19 School Based Staffing
- Community Use of Fields Rental Rates

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

In Favour: (8) Trustees Archer, Beattie, Bingham, Johnstone, Hicks, Mulholland, Van Geffen and White. Student Trustee Hye voted in favour.

Opposed: (1) Trustee Deathe

#### 9. Finance & Facilities Committee - April 4, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-53:</u> Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Beattie, moved: **That the Finance & Facilities** Committee Report – April 4, 2018 be received.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

#### 10. Finance & Facilities Committee – April 11, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-54:</u> Trustee Van Geffen, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Finance &** Facilities Committee Report – April 11, 2018 be approved including:

- Accommodation Strategy Schedule 2018/19
- International Students Financial Analysis referral to Program Committee

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

**Reports from Legislated Committees** 

## 11. Parent Involvement Committee - March 20, 2018 and April 10, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-55:</u> Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Johnstone, moved: **That the Parent Involvement** Committee – March 20, 2018 and April 10, 2018 be received.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

#### 12. Special Education Advisory Committee – March 28, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-56:</u> Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Special Education Advisory Committee – March 28, 2018 be received.** 

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

**Reports from Community Advisory Committees** 

13. French as a Second Language – March 28, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-57:</u> Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the French as a Second Language – March 28, 2018 be received.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

## **Reports from Staff**

#### 14. School Year Calendars for 2018-19

<u>RESOLUTION #18-58:</u> Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the School Year Calendars for 2018-19 be approved.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

#### 15. Student Trustees 2018-19: Election Results

<u>RESOLUTION #18-59:</u> Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: That the election of Cameron Prosic, student at Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary and Tara Rezvan, student at Ancaster High, to the position of Student Trustee be confirmed for the term of office August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2019.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

## 16. Resolution Into Committee of the Whole (Private Session)

**RESOLUTION #18-60:** Trustee Beattie, seconded by Trustee Bingham, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 7:06 p.m.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

The open session resumed at 7:24 p.m.

## 17. Committee of the Whole (Private) April 30, 2018

<u>RESOLUTION #18-61</u>: Trustee Johnstone, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: **That the report of the Committee of the Whole (private) – April 30, 2018 be approved including:** 

• That the Finance & Facilities Committee report from March 28 and April 4, 2018 be received.

## **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustee Hye voted in favour

## 18. Oral Reports from:

## A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

The next meeting is May 23, 2018.

#### B. Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association

The Home & School Association held their annual conference on April 28 and 29, 2018. Sandra Binns has moved into the role as Past President. Congratulations was extended to Angela Murchi who was this year's recipient of the McLaughlin Memorial Award.

## C. HWDSB Foundation

The Prom Project will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at the Hill Park Learning Centre. The Foundation Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 and the Hamilton Community Foundation will be joining the meeting. Twenty-three schools received the Schools Support Grant. The Foundation Board is participating in strategic planning retreat on May 17 and June 6.

## D. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)

Legislative Update includes pre-writ, writ period (May 9 – June 7), and post-election (after June 7).

- The Ontario Public School Board of Director met on April 20 and 21, 2018. The Grants for Student Needs, Student Transportation, the Indigenous Trustees' Council and the TRC Curriculum Steering Committee were discussed.
- OPSBA Ad-Hoc Committee regarding Student Trustees: The Board of Directors unanimously passed a one-year pilot for additional involvement of student trustees in OPSBA for the 2018-19 school year.

## E. Student Trustees' Report

- Acknowledged the approval of Cameron Prosic, student at Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School and Tara Rezvan, student at Ancaster High, as student trustees.
- Annual General meeting will be held on May 24-27, 2018.
- Progress Committee is working on updating the Student Trustee Handbook, creating an infographic
  version of the Handbook, creating conference videos (condensing video footage), brainstorming
  initiatives (writing letter, sharing video or infographic) to help get more boards to consider. Also
  connecting with OSTA and making conferences accessible to student trustees in remote parts of
  Ontario.
- Indigenous Relations is now working to connect student leaders across the province with one another to create an Indigenous Advisory Group for OSTA-AECO
- Senate has now finished developing a Senator profile/criteria list, which we want to send out
  alongside the call for the selection of next year's senators. It outlines some important characteristics
  to keep in mind when electing/appointing senators, and highlights the importance of using a
  democratic, student-led process for senator selection.

## F. Director's Report

Director of Education, Manny Figueiredo, gave an outline of some of the events that reflect on our five priorities:

- Rainbow Prom: Director Figueiredo attended Rainbow Prom and acknowledged the more than 400 students in attendance and the partners including the Hamilton Police Service for their support., More than 400 students came.
- 43rd Annual Hamilton Community Prayer Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. The keynote speaker is Nate Leipciger, Holocaust survivor and educator, social activist and author.
- Joseph O'Connor from Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School has been selected for the Sharon Enkin Award for excellence in Holocaust Education. Additionally, this year the Hamilton Jewish Federation and the Holocaust Education Committee have given a special legacy award in recognition to Deb Brown from Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School for her constant work on Holocaust Education.
- Reading Specialists: With three school visits this week, Director Figueiredo was able to see the reading specialists promote the strategic priority of student learning and achievement.
- Patrick Case, Assistant Deputy Ministry in the Equity Secretariat visited with system leaders to share the role that public education plays in equity and human rights.

## G. Chair's Report

The Chair of the Board, Todd White gave a tribute to former Trustee Lillian Orban. He asked fellow Trustees to remember Lillian when they drive by the schools and see the flags at half-mast this week. Lillian was elected as Ward 7 Trustee in 1992 and served until 2014. Lillian was a passionate defender of students at HWDSB. He thanked Lillian for her service, hard work and contribution to our students and community.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.