

# **Board Minutes November 12, 2019**

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

Trustees: Trustees Christine Bingham (electronically), Becky Buck, Dawn Danko, Penny Deathe, Alex Johnstone, Ray Mulholland, Maria Felix Miller (electronically), Carole Paikin Miller and Paul Tut. Student Trustees Cameron Prosic and Ahona Mehdi.

# Regrets were received from: Trustees Kathy Archer, Cam Galindo

#### 1. Call to Order

Alex Johnstone, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda:

<u>RESOLUTION #19-132:</u> Trustee Paikin Miller, seconded by Trustee Buck, moved: **That the agenda be approved.** 

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

# 3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

None.

#### 4. Confirmation of the Minutes - October 28, 2019

The minutes of October 28, 2019 were confirmed.

# 5. Correspondence: Waterloo Region DSB re: TeachOn

<u>RESOLUTION #19-133:</u> Trustee Mulholland, seconded by Trustee Buck, moved: That the correspondence: Waterloo Region DSB re: TeachOn be received and filed.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

#### **Reports from Trustee Special Committees:**

6. Program Committee - October 22, 2019

<u>RESOLUTION #19-134:</u> Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Tut, moved: **That the Program Committee**Report – October 22, 2019 be received including the Student Learning and Achievement Report and the
Grade One French Immersion Application Process Update.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

# **Reports from Legislated Committees**

7. Special Education Advisory Committee – October 30, 2019

<u>RESOLUTION #19-135:</u> Trustee Deathe, seconded by Trustee Buck, moved: That the Special Education Advisory Committee Report – October 30, 2019 be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

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#### **Reports from Community Advisory Committees**

#### 8. Human Rights and Equity Committee – October 17, 2019

<u>RESOLUTION #19-136:</u> Trustee Galindo, seconded by Trustee Danko, moved: That the Human Rights and Equity Committee Report – October 17, 2019 be received.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

#### **Reports from Staff:**

#### 9. Community Advisory Committee – Memberships

<u>RESOLUTION #19-137:</u> Trustee Buck, seconded by Trustee Deathe, moved: That the membership for the following Community Advisory Committees be approved:

- Faith
- First Nation, Métis and Inuit
- French as a Second Language
- Human Right and Equity
- Rural Schools

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

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

**RESOLUTION #19-138:** Trustee Tut, seconded by Trustee Paikin Miller, moved: **That the Board move into Committee of the Whole (Private)**, this being done at 6:33 p.m.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

The open session resumed at 8:20 p.m.

# 11. Committee of the Whole (Private) - November 12, 2019

Trustee Danko shared that there was no report to bring forward.

#### 12. Written Notice of Motion: Naming a School in Part: Auditorium at Westmount

#### Whereas:

The Student Community of Westmount, school staff and School Council have requested that the auditorium at the school go through the process of naming a school in part;

### Whereas:

Westmount community members and staff have brought forward the suggestion of naming the auditorium after Cindy Rees, a teacher for over 20 years at Westmount, who passed away from cancer in September 2018 and;

#### Whereas:

The school community was hoping to have the auditorium named after an individual that reflects the values, dedication and appreciation for the love of students and theater as Cindy Ree's instilled.

#### Therefore, be it resolved:

That a Naming A School In Part Committee be struck in the 2019/20 school year and that the final report be presented to the Board of Trustees no later than June 15, 2020.

<u>RESOLUTION #19-139</u>: Trustee Buck, seconded by Trustee Tut, moved: That a Naming A School In Part Committee be struck in the 2019/20 school year and that the final report be presented to the Board of Trustees no later than June 15, 2020.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Student Trustees Prosic and Mehdi voted in favour

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

#### A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

Trustee Johnstone shared that the City/School Board Liaison Committee had not met since the last report.

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

Trustee Danko shared that the Hamilton-Wentworth Home and School Association have not met since the last report.

#### C. Hamilton Foundation for Student Success (HWDSB Foundation)

Trustee Paikin Miller shared Student Support Grants - A total of 109 grants totaling \$20,060.00 have been approved by the Foundation between October 1, 2019 and October 31, 2019. Requests are most significantly related to funding clothing, outerwear and footwear for students.

#### **School Support Grants**

Applications received for the Fall cycle of School Support Grants are currently being evaluated and decisions on funding will be announced this month.

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

Trustee Johnstone shared that many of the Trustees attended that Thames Valley meeting on the previous weekend. OPSBA has a lobby day on November 25, 2019 and Trustee Galindo will be attending on the Board's behalf and meeting with MPP's from across the province. A couple of Bill updates were shared.

The meeting adjourned and moved into Standing Committee this being done at 8:32 p.m.