
Trustees: Kathy Archer, Becky Buck, Dawn Danko, Penny Deathe, Cam Galindo, Alex Johnstone, Carole Paikin Miller, Maria Felix Miller, Ray Mulholland, Paul Tut and Elizabeth Wong. Student Trustees Gloria Li and Aisha Mahmoud.

1. Call to Order

Dawn Danko, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

RESOLUTION #22-127: Trustees Wong/Miller moved: **That the Board agenda be approved.**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None were declared.

4. Confirmation of the Minutes: September 12, 2022

The minutes of September 12, 2022 were confirmed.

Report from Trustee Special Committees:

5. Finance & Facilities Committee – September 15, 2022

RESOLUTION #22-128: Trustees Galindo/Miller moved: **That the Finance & Facilities Committee Report – September 15, 2022 be received including the Capital Projects Update.**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

6. Policy Committee – September 14, 2022

RESOLUTION #22-129: Trustees Miller/Tut moved: **That the Policy Committee Report – September 14, 2022 be approved including:**

- **The Trustee Honorarium Policy**
- **The Human Rights Policy**
- **The Anti-Black Racism Policy**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

Trustee Deathe joined the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

7. Audit Committee – September 22, 2022

RESOLUTION #22-130: Trustees Tut/Johnstone moved: **That the Audit Committee Report – September 22, 2022 be approved including:**

- **Election of the Chair**
- **Annual Reports to the Board of Trustees and Ministry for 2021-22**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

Report from Legislated Committees:

8. Parent Involvement Committee – September 13, 2022

RESOLUTION #22-131: Trustees Buck/Johnstone moved: **That the Parent Involvement Committee Report – September 13, 2022 be received.**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

9. Committee of the Whole (private) – October 3, 2022

RESOLUTION #22-132: Trustees Buck/Johnstone moved: **That the Committee of the Whole Report from October 3, 2022 be approved including:**

- **That the Finance & Facilities Committee report from September 15, 2022 be approved including that: The following properties have been identified as holding properties in the Board's Property Strategy: Sir Isaac Brock, Sir John A. MacDonald, Hill Park Learning Centre and Ancaster High School.**
- **That the Audit Committee report from September 22, 2022 be approved including the external audit plan for 2021-22.**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.

Trustee Buck assumed the role as Chair.

10. Written Notice of Motion: Chair Danko re: Strategic Directions

Submitted by Trustee Dawn Danko

Monday, October 3, 2022

Whereas September is focused on start-up, re-building routines and re-organization is scheduled in early October; and

Whereas the system is working on supporting students and staff following the pandemic; and

Whereas a ThoughtExchange centers around a single question, welcoming feedback that is directed by the respondents. As such, ideal timing for a ThoughtExchange on overall Strategic Directions would be later in the school year; and

Whereas the new Director of Education is committed to working with the next Board of Trustees on the Strategic Directions, but is supporting stability for the system over the coming months by focusing on our current Strategic Directions in the interim; and

Whereas the current Board of Trustees dissolves as of November 15, 2022; and

Whereas a ThoughtExchange relating to the Strategic Directions could create unnecessary confusion and uncertainty at this time.

Be it resolved:

That RESOLUTION # 22-103 the ThoughtExchange for Strategic Directions begin in September 2022 once a new Director of Education is in place be rescinded.

RESOLUTION #22-133: Trustees Danko/Johnstone moved: **That RESOLUTION # 22-103 the ThoughtExchange for Strategic Directions begin in September 2022 once a new Director of Education is in place be rescinded.**

CARRIED

Student Trustees Gloria Li and Mahmoud voted in favour.
Trustee Mulholland was not present for the vote.

Trustee Danko resumed the role as Chair.

Oral Reports from:

A. City/School Board Liaison Committee

There is nothing to report at this time. The next meeting will be held once the election has taken place.

B. Hamilton-Wentworth Home & School Association

The Committee met in September where they received a presentation from the Roots of Empathy. Members of the Association shared updates.

C. Hamilton Foundation for Student Success (HWDSB Foundation)

There is nothing to report at this time. The next meeting is on October 12, 2022.

D. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)

An update was received on the following items:

- National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
- On October 6, 2022 OPSBA is hosting a panel discussion on Municipal and School Board Elections
- Voting Information
- Rowan's Law Day – Wednesday, September 28, 2022

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

The recording of the Board meeting can be found here:

https://hwdsonca.sharepoint.com/sites/tv_trustees/layouts/15/stream.aspx?id=%2Fsites%2Ftv%5Ftrustees%2FVideos%2F2022%2D2023%2F02%20October%2FBoard%20Mtg%20October%202022%2Emp4&ga=1