

# Board Minutes February 10, 2025

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

**Trustees:** Kathy Archer\*, Becky Buck, Sabreina Dahab, Dawn Danko, Amanda Fehrman, Maria Felix Miller<sup>(R)</sup>, Graeme Noble\*, Paul Tut<sup>(R)</sup>, Todd White, Elizabeth Wong\*, and Abby Zaitley. Student Trustees Oluwafikunayomi (Fikun) Alabi, Victoria Li, and Shakowennakara:tats Daunte Hillen.

\*electronic participation, (R) regrets

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Designate Danko called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

### 2. Approval of the Agenda

Trustees White/Buck moved that the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

## 3. Confirmation of the Minutes

**RESOLUTION #25-09:** Trustees Buck/White moved that the Minutes from January 27, 2025, be confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

### 4. Policy

**RESOLUTION #25-10:** Trustees Dahab/Zaitley moved that the Policy Committee report recommends that the Code of Conduct Policy be approved.

**CARRIED** 

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

#### 5. Governance

**RESOLUTION #25-11:** Trustees Buck/Wong moved that the Governance Committee report from January 20, 2025, be approved including the Trustee Code of Conduct Procedure.

**CARRIED** 

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

#### 6. Finance & Facilities

**RESOLUTION #25-12:** Trustees Fehrman/White moved that the Finance & Facilities Committee report from January 28, 2025, be approved including the East Hamilton & Lower Stoney Creek Boundary Review and the Budget Priorities:

## East Hamilton and Lower Stoney Creek Boundary Review

A. That the geographic area described below is moved from Eastdale's English program boundary to Collegiate's English program boundary: Commencing at the corner of Barton Street East and Lake Avenue North moving east along Barton Street East to Bow Valley Drive, then south along Bow Valley Drive along the back of the property lines on the East side of street capturing all homes fronting onto the Bow Valley Drive to Vittorito Avenue. East along the centre of Vittorito Avenue then south along the centre of Highridge Avenue then east along Swan Street to Berkindale Drive. At Berkindale Drive, the boundary extends along the north side of 355 Berkindale Drive property and runs south along the back property lines on the east of Berkindale Drive to Federal Street, then east along the centre of Federal Street to Gray Road. The boundary continues south along the centre of

Gray Road to Queenston Road where it runs west along the centre of Queenston Road to Lake Avenue Drive and moves north along the centre of Lake Avenue Drive to Lake Avenue North concluding at Barton Street East.

- B. That the boundary change is effective September 1, 2025.
- C. That all new and existing grade JK to 4 English students in the identified boundary change area move from Eastdale to Collegiate.
- D. That existing grade 5, 6 and 7 English students attending Eastdale and residing in the identified boundary change area may remain at Eastdale until the completion of grade 8. As of ratification of this motion, all younger siblings of existing grade 5, 6, and 7 students residing in the identified boundary change area and attending Eastdale may choose to attend either Eastdale or Collegiate in September 2025, and younger siblings who remain at Eastdale will be treated as out-of-catchment Eastdale students.
- E. All existing out-of-catchment students attending Collegiate may continue to attend Collegiate under the out-of-catchment practice. All siblings of existing out-of-catchment students may attend Collegiate in accordance with Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board's Out-Of-Catchment Process.
- F. That a Transition Committee is struck upon approval of a boundary change by the Superintendent of Equity Student Achievement.
- G. All student transportation will be provided in accordance with Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board's Transportation Policy No.3.10.

# **Budget Priorities for Public Consultation:**

Feedback will be collected on the following strategic goals:

- Improve literacy achievement for every student
- Improve numeracy literacy for every student
- Improve preparedness for the future of every student
- Increase well-being for every student
- Increase engagement for every student

**CARRIED** 

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

#### 7. French as a Second Language Advisory Committee

**RESOLUTION #25-13:** Trustees Noble/Buck moved that the French as a Second Language Advisory Committee report from January 15, 2025, be received.

**CARRIED** 

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

## 8. Report from Committee of the Whole (Private) – February 10, 2025

**RESOLUTION #25-14:** Trustees Fehrman/White moved that the Community of the Whole report from February 10, 2025, be approved including a property matter (Finance & Facilities Committee Report – January 28, 2025).

CARRIED

Student Trustees Alabi, Li and Shakowennakara:tats Hillen voted in favour.

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Reference: Agenda Package and Recording