



DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ONTARIO NORTH EAST

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of District School Board Ontario North East was held at 6:15 p.m. in the Schumacher Board Office on Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Doug Shearer (Chair)
Bob Brush (Vice-Chair)
Howard Archibald
Heather Bozzer
Bruce Cutten
Tom Henderson
Wayne Major
Peter Osterberg
Rosemary Pochopsky

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Dennis Draves
Saunders Porter

STUDENT TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Aviana Ruel (ESCHS)
Gillian Gobbo (IFSS)

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

Linda Knight - Director of Education
Pearl Fong-West - Superintendent of Business/Finance and Treasurer
Jo-Anne Plaunt - Superintendent of Schools
Michelle Leigh - Superintendent of Schools
Steven Pladzyk - Superintendent of Schools
Jim Rowe - Senior Manager of Human Resources

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT:

GUESTS:

Corinna Wrona, DSB Ontario North East Community Outreach Worker
Jennifer Geurts, parent (presenter), v/c from New Liskeard Board Office (NLBO)
Larry Wiwchar (attending with J. Geurts, NLBO)
Chad Mowbray, VP Curriculum, Innovation & Technology (v/c EHS)
Lynn McNaughton, VP Curriculum
Valarie Dumoulin, VP Cochrane Public School

RECORDING SECRETARY

Susan Allen, Executive Assistant to the Director of Education

REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m. by Chair Doug Shearer.

6361-16 SHEARER/CUTTEN:

THAT this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

6362-16 HENDERSON/CUTTEN: **THAT** this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, (In-Camera). **CARRIED**

6363-16 ARCHIBALD/MAJOR: **THAT** this Board reconvene in regular session. **CARRIED**

Chair Doug Shearer asked all in attendance to stand for a minute's silence, in memory of Skylar Lacourse-Luckett (RRBPS student) and Wayne Thomas (retired IFSS teacher) who both passed away in August.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

6364-16 HENDERSON/OSTERBERG: **THAT** the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting dated September 6, 2016 be approved, with the following changes:

- **ADD**, under Approval of Minutes:
 - Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held July 19, 2016;
- **ADD**, under Ministry Correspondence:
 - Welcome back letter (Minister M Hunter)
- **ADD**, under Other Business:
 - Special Board meeting re: RFP consultation

CARRIED

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Trustees were asked to declare conflicts of interest as they arise.

PRESENTATION: Transportation Request (off Hwy 567) – Jennifer Geurts, parent:

Jennifer Geurts, parent of a JK student who will be commencing school at New Liskeard Public School attended the Board meeting via v/c from the New Liskeard Board Office. She gave a detailed overview of her request to have her son bussed to and from school from her home, located 2.5 km off Hwy 567 on "Paradis Road South" in Lorraine Valley. Her video of the road and Google map of the area together with a detailed outline of her family's commitment to keeping the road clear during the winter were presented. Chair D. Shearer and Trustee B. Cutten had driven the road in question last week. Chair D. Shearer noted that, despite the Board's understanding of her son's age and the plan to have the road privately maintained, the Tri-Board Transportation Policy would not permit a school bus to travel on a road not maintained by a local service board. Furthermore, he stated that the terrain of the road could cause potential problems with winter weather conditions. The Chair thanked Jennifer for her presentation and referred her to the Transportation Department to determine the pick-up and drop-off locations for her son at the end of their road.

6365-16 OSTGERBERG/HENDERSON: **THAT** the Board receive the presentation by Jennifer Geurts regarding the request for special consideration for transportation on Paradis Road South, off Hwy 567, Bucke Township. **CARRIED**

PRESENTATION: iPad Survey Results – C. Mowbray, Curriculum, Innovation and Technology

Chad Mowbray presented a very detailed review of responses to each of the survey questions on both the Student and Parent iPad Surveys. With 893 student respondents, the overwhelmingly positive feedback was encouraging and reflective of the positive impact the iPad program has had thus far on student learning. Only 89 parents completed the Parent Survey (likely due to the time of year) and the Board will be surveying staff during upcoming staff meetings.

6366-16 CUTTEN/DRAVES: **THAT** the Board receive the presentation on the results of the student and parent iPad Surveys, by Chad Mowbray, Lead, Curriculum, Innovation and Technology. **CARRIED**

PRESENTATION: Summer Learning – L. McNaughton, VP Curriculum, V. Dumoulin, VP COCHPS and J. Plaunt, Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent Jo-Anne Plaunt welcomed Lynn McNaughton and Valarie Dumoulin to the meeting. Lynn and Val presented a video providing an overview of the activities and goals of the summer school held July 4-22 in three locations (COCHPS, NLPS and PINPS). With a focus on promoting student well-being of both body and mind, the 52 students selected by their classroom teachers participated in literacy and numeracy skill-building activities as well as mindfulness/physical activities, in the attempt to close the gap for these students' achievement. Parents were encouraged to be engaged in their children's learning with daily communication and participation. The 3-week program is funded by the Ministry, with the Board focussing on grades 1,2,3 this year. Transportation and parent commitment to having their child attend the morning sessions were seen as possible barriers to having greater attendance for these special opportunity programs.

6367-16 HOWARD/CUTTEN:

THAT the Board receive the report on 2016 Summer School by Vice Principals Valerie Dumoulin and Lynn McNaughton and Superintendent Jo-Anne Plaunt.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6368-16 BOZZER/OSTERBERG:

THAT the minutes of the Special Board meeting held July 19, 2016 be approved.

CARRIED

6369-16 HENDERSON/POCHOPSKY:

THAT the minutes of the Special Board meeting held August 30th and reconvened on September 6, 2016 be approved, with the following addition:

- Under Conflict of Interest, ADD:
 - Trustee Peter Osterberg declared a Conflict of Interest with respect to the Toffanello Consulting Firm.

CARRIED

BUSINESS AND/OR QUESTIONS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Cash Disbursements

6370-16 BRUSH/MAJOR

THAT the Board accept the report on cash disbursements for the month of June and July, 2016 in the amount of \$21,053,160.33.

CARRIED

September 1st PD Day Review

6371-16 CUTTEN/MAJOR:

THAT the Board receive the report on the September 1st, 2016 Professional Development Day.

CARRIED

Growing Success Policy 1.2.34

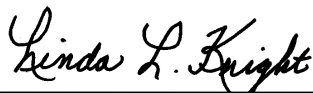
6372-16 BRUSH/HENDERSON:

THAT the Board approve the revisions to the *Growing Success Policy 1.2.34*.

CARRIED

New Policy: Selection of the Director of Education**6373-16 CUTTEN/MAJOR:****THAT** the Board approve second and third (final) reading of the new policy: ***Selection of the Director of Education 1.1.7.*****CARRIED****OTHER BUSINESS****Re: RFP for Consultants for Selection of Director of Education****6374-16 HENDERSON/CUTTEN:****THAT**, as per the consultant RFP, two bidders be invited to attend a special Board meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18th to verbally present details of their bid in order that Trustees may ask questions for clarification.**CARRIED****ONTARIO PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS' ASSOCIATION (OPSBA)****MINISTRY CORRESPONDENCE****6375-16 OSTERBERG/HENDERSON:****THAT** the Board receive the following Ministry of Education correspondence:

- Memo: *Release of One-Year Implementation Update on Community Hubs in Ontario: A Strategic Framework and Action Plan*
- Letter to Board Chair re: response to education funding formula concerns
- Letters to Outgoing and Incoming Student Trustees
- Letter from Minister M Hunter welcoming Trustees to the new school year.

CARRIED**CORRESPONDENCE****ADJOURNMENT****6376-16 BRUSH/MAJOR:****THAT** we do now adjourn.**CARRIED***The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.*

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

CHAIR OF THE BOARD