

PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Physical Planning and Building Committee of the Peel District School Board, held in the Brampton Room, the H. J. A. Brown Education Centre, 5650 Hurontario Street, Mississauga, Ontario on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 18:15 hours.

Members present:

David Green, Chair
Carrie Andrews
Susan Benjamin
Stan Cameron
Robert Crocker
Balbir Sohi

Member absent:

Brad MacDonald

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)
Wendy Dowling, Associate Director, School Support Services
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
John Hartzema, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Peter Joshua, Director of Education
Jamie Robertson, Superintendent of Human Resources Support Services
Thomas Tsung, Controller, Corporate Support Services

Lorelei Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. **Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was reordered slightly to facilitate staff present.

PB-011, moved by Carrie Andrews, that the agenda be approved.

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2. **Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, February 4, 2019

PB-12, moved by Robert Crocker, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held February 4, 2019, be approved.

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4. STOPR - Student Transportation of Peel Region Governance Committee Minutes, November 16, 2018

PB-13, moved by Susan Benjamin, that the STOPR - Student Transportation of Peel Region Governance Committee Minutes, dated November 16, 2018, be received.

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5. Accessibility Plan Status Report 2018

Controller of Facilities and Environmental Support Services, John Hartzema, stated that the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) was enacted in 2005. The Act applies to both private and public sector organizations to implement enforceable standards under the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR). The IASR requires the Board to develop multi-year plans and strategies for achieving accessibility according to AODA. This multi-year plan must be reviewed and updated at least once every five years with annual status reports on implementation and strategies, and must be posted on the Board's website. John Hartzema advised that the accessibility status report provides an update on the Board's AODA and other accessibility related accomplishments, along with a review of strategies for achieving additional goals and objectives for the following year. He introduced Lyn Wilson, Manager of Abilities, Wellness and Attendance, and Dave Dadd, Acting Project Coordination Manager, who are instrumental in the work done in this regard.

PB-14, moved by Balbir Sohi, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

That, the Accessibility Plan Status Report - 2018, on the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan: Peel District School Board, January 2015 - December 2018, be approved.
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6. Education Development Charge (EDC) By-law – Renewal 2019

Suzanne Blakeman, Manager of Planning and Enrolment, stated that the current Education Development Charge (EDC) by-law will expire on July 1, 2019 and as a growth board, Peel DSB will require a new EDC by-law for the next 5-year period. Noting that EDC charges are related to net education land costs of providing school sites for growth-related enrolment, she advised that EDC charges may be levied on residential, industrial, commercial and institutional developments. To qualify for EDCs, the Board's total elementary or secondary enrolments in the five years following the by-law passage must exceed permanent capacity, or the Board must demonstrate that it has an existing unmet financial obligation arising from the existing EDC by-law.

Suzanne Blakeman further advised that EDC rates have been frozen at the in-force rates effective August 31, 2018, by the provincial government; however, all school boards meeting the criteria to administer EDCs are required to prepare new EDC background studies before proceeding with a new by-law. Peel DSB's rate remains at \$3,224 per dwelling unit and \$0.45 per sq. ft. for Gross Floor Area (GFA). It was noted that over the next few months staff will meet with Building and Land Development Association (BILD) and stakeholders. Responding to a queries from Chair Green, Associate Director of Operational Support Services, Jaspal Gill, advised that the Ministry has received input from the builders' group and that senior officials are working with the Ministry; however, no direction has been received as yet, and no timeline has been set for concluding consultations. Chair Green commented that Ontario Public School Boards Association (OPSBA) has requested a quick response from the Ministry.

PB-15, moved by Stan Cameron, that the update report re Education Development Charges (EDC) By-law – Renewal 2019, be received.

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7. Redirection of SouthFields Village Public School Students - Update

Phillip Sousa, Planning Officer, reviewed the report, explaining that in 2015 due to the enrolment cap at SouthFields Village Public School, regular track students were redirected to James Grieve Public School, and French Immersion (FI) students were redirected to Herb Campbell Public School. In 2017 those regular track redirected students were moved to Tony Pontes Public School and FI students were moved to Ross Drive Public School. Phillip Sousa explained that Tony Pontes Public School is expected to exceed its capacity during the 2021-2022 school year. He advised that effective March 26, 2019, new regular track students who register at SouthFields Village Public School and exceed the enrolment cap will be redirected to James Grieve Public School. Signage outside the school indicating the redirection will be updated by the end of March 2019.

Board Chair Cameron expressed concerns about traffic in the area of SouthFields Village Public School and asked whether students from this school can be redirected to James Grieve Public School. Phillip Sousa replied that James Grieve Public School will also be accommodating students of Vales of Humber #1 Public School until such time as the school is ready for occupation. Controller of Planning and Accommodation Support Services, Randy Wright, added that the Approval to Proceed is still awaited and hence the opening date for Vales of Humber #1 Public School is not yet determined.

7. Redirection of SouthFields Village Public School Students – Update (Continued)

PB-16, moved by Stan Cameron, that the update report re Redirection of SouthFields Village Public School Students, be received.

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8. Tender Activity Report

PB-17, moved by Susan Benjamin, that the Tender Activity Report for January 22, 2019 to February 19, 2019, be received.

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9. Ministry of Education – Approval to Proceed (ATP) Glenforest Secondary School Addition and Renovation

On February 13, 2019, the Ministry of Education granted the Peel District School Board (PDSB) Approval to Proceed (ATP) with the tender of the Glenforest Secondary School Addition and Renovation. Ministry staff completed their review of the information submitted by PDSB and approved the project proceeding to tender in the amount of up to \$8,200,000. Preparation for tendering the project will include PDSB securing Municipal site plan approval as well as a building permit for the construction of the project. Municipal approvals are scheduled for receipt late spring 2019. Tender and contract award is scheduled for early summer 2019. Construction work will commence mid-summer 2019

PB-18, moved by Robert Crocker, that the report re Ministry of Education – Approval to Proceed (ATP) Glenforest Secondary School Addition and Renovation, be received.

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10. Question Period

There were no questions.

11. Public Question Period

Stan Taylor of Brampton, inquired about climate change initiatives being undertaken by the Board, the cost to Peel DSB under the new carbon price regulation and impetus to move away from carbon. He also asked about the cost to design and repair infrastructure to deal with global warming and climate change. Chair Green advised that a report will be brought back to the Physical Planning and Building Committee on April 2, 2019.

11. Public Question Period (Continued)

Stan Taylor asked about the number of Peel DSB sites that currently have renewable energy, solar panels, wind generated energy, etc., and the number of vehicles in Peel DSB's fleet that are electric, hybrid, or run on carbon fuel. Speaking about energy consumption and greenhouse gas, he stated that SouthFields Village Public School uses geothermal energy, however, based on his analysis, only a small percentage of natural gas is used through the geothermal heating and cooling system at this school. Providing a comparison usage with that of other schools, he asked about comparative costs in electricity and relative savings for SouthFields Village Public School. He submitted a spreadsheet of his analysis on ten schools. Stan Taylor urged the Board to be a leader in the community by reviewing costs, as well as implementing geothermal and renewable energy in schools, and maximizing cost efficiency of installations. He asked about the payback period for any new construction that would actively incorporate geothermal energy. Associate Director of Operational Support Services, Jaspal Gill, and Chair Green responded.

12. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-19, moved by Carrie Andrews, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Tender Activity Report for January 22, 2019 to February 19, 2019, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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13. Adjournment

PB-20, moved by Balbir Sohi, that the meeting adjourn (18:40 hours).

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