

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, December 3, 2019 at 18:15 hours.

Members present:

Robert Crocker, Chair
Carrie Andrews
Stan Cameron
Will Davies
David Green
Balbir Sohi (18:25)

Trustees also present:

Susan Benjamin
Sue Lawton

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
Peter Joshua, Director of Education
Thomas Tsung, Controller, Corporate Support Services

Marina Amin, Board Reporter

1. **Approval of Agenda**

PB-01, 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 (Annual Planning Document), November 5, 2019**

PB-02 moved by Susan Benjamin, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting (Annual Planning Document), held November 5, 2019, be approved.

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4. **Report on Tenders: Elm Drive Public School**

Controller of Planning and Accommodation Support Services, Randy Wright, responded to questions of clarification about meeting deadline dates for completing school construction projects by the contractor, and advised that project work will be closely monitored.

4. Report on Tenders: Elm Drive Public School (Continued)

PB-03, moved by Sue Lawton, that the tender, in the amount of \$19,549,000 including HST, for the construction of Elm Drive Public School, be awarded to Torcom Construction Inc., subject to Ministry approval to exceed the approved funding amount and balance the tender amount with Education Development Charge (EDC) funding. (APPENDIX I)

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5. Report on Tenders: Child Care Projects

Reviewing the report, Controller Wright stated that Part 1 of the recommendation relates to three Child Care projects, where work can proceed immediately, as they are within funding approved by the Ministry. Part 2 includes four Child Care projects which exceed Ministry approved funding; however, cumulatively, the total cost for all seven Child Care projects is within Ministry approved capital funding for Child Care renovation projects. Controller Wright stated that Part 2 of the recommendation is conditional and Ministry approval is awaited. Responding to a trustee's query about completion dates in view of community needs for child care spaces, Controller Wright indicated that work can commence as early as January or February 2020, following timely Ministry approval, and it is expected that the child care spaces will be operational by September 2020.

PB-04, moved by Will Davies:

- 1) That, the following tenders be awarded for the construction of Child Care projects at:

<u>School</u>	<u>Low Qualified Bidder</u>	<u>Tenders/Bid Prices (net HST)</u>
Meadowvale Secondary School	Quad Pro Construction	\$1,361,859
Palgrave Public School	Northfield Construction	\$ 845,170
Worthington Public School	Trinox Corporation	\$ 983,801

- 2) That, the following tenders be awarded for the construction of Child Care projects subject to Ministry approval to use unexpended Child Care funding to balance the amounts exceeding the approved funding at:

<u>School</u>	<u>Low Qualified Bidder</u>	<u>Tenders/Bid Prices (net HST)</u>
Gordon Graydon Memorial Building	TRP Construction	\$2,099,388
Hickory Wood Public School	Quad Pro Construction	\$1,203,451
Lancaster Public School	Orion Construction	\$ 701,942
Munden Park Public School	Trinox Corporation	\$ 601,723

(APPENDIX II)

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6. Tender Activity Report

PB-05, moved by Susan Benjamin, that the Tender Activity Report for October 23, 2019 to November 20, 2019, be received.

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7. Vandalism and Year End Summary Reports

Reviewing the year-end summary report for break and enter incidents from September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019, Security Manager, Enzo Addesa, reported on a 37% decrease in overall cost compared to the previous year. He indicated that school break-ins went down by 41% and portables by 85% over last year and commented on a lower average of school break-ins compared to a decade ago. He stated that staff continue to work on break-in prevention. Enzo Addesa advised that there were 294 incidents of vandalism during 2018-2019, which is a 63% increase over the last year, and he noted that most vandalism takes place over weekends during the months of May, June and July.

Enzo Addesa responded to trustees' questions of clarification, including: proactive safety patrols are undertaken to address repeated incidents of vandalism at particular schools; security officers on duty can address incidents as they happen; low conviction rate; loitering on school premises.

PB-06, moved by David Green, that the Vandalism Reports for June – August 2019, Break and Enter/Vandalism Report: September 1, 2018 to August 31, 2019, and Year End Summary Report for September 2018 to August 2019, be received.

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8. Ministry of Education – Education Development Charge (EDC) Policy Update

Noting the Ministry of Education's release of updates to the Education Development Charge (EDC) framework, Manager of Planning and Enrolment, Suzanne Blakeman, highlighted the two immediate changes for school boards outlined in the report, including: school boards are now required to provide the Minister with advance notification (60 days prior to the financial close of the transaction) of intent to acquire, lease or expropriate school sites; types of institutional developments now exempt from paying EDCs, among them long-term care and retirement facilities, private schools, indigenous institutes, hospice and child care centres, publicly-assisted universities and colleges, memorial homes, clubhouses or athletic grounds of the Royal Canadian Legion. Suzanne Blakeman reviewed the EDC amendments expected to have an effect during the term of the Board's current and future EDC by-laws, and noted that staff will review the impact of the new exemptions to determine if an amendment to the Board's EDC by-law should be considered. A trustee reported on discussion at an Ontario Public School Boards' Association meeting regarding private schools being exempt from paying EDCs, and stated that concerns were raised on this issue with the Ministry. The trustee will bring further updates on this matter to the Committee.

**8. Ministry of Education – Education Development Charge (EDC) Policy Update
(Continued)**

PB-07, moved by Will Davies, that the Ministry of Education – Education Development Charge (EDC) Policy Update, be received.

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9. Question Period

Trustee Benjamin expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve on this Committee during the 2018-2019 school year.

Trustee Sohi congratulated Trustee Robert Crocker on his election as Chair of the Committee for the 2019-2020 school year.

Trustee Green thanked Controller Wright and his team for their dedication and the positive working relationship during his tenure as Chair of the Physical Planning and Building Committee for the past ten years.

Chair Crocker thanked Controller Wright and his department for their work, and wished everyone safe holidays.

10. Public Question Period

There were no public questions.

11. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-08, moved by Stan Cameron, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Report on Tenders: Elm Drive Public School, Tender Activity Report for October 23, 2019 to November 20, 2019, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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12. Adjournment

PB-09, moved by Will Davies, that the meeting adjourn (18:45 hours).

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..... Chair Secretary