

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, April 2, 2013 at 18:10 hours.

Members present:

Harinder Malhi, Chair
David Green
Steve Kavanagh
Suzanne Nurse
Jeff White

Trustee also present:

Rick Williams

Member absent: (apologies received)

Sue Lawton

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)

Christine Beal, Controller, Finance Support Services

Ina Fournier, Superintendent of Education

Jaspal Gill, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services

Carla Kisko, Associate Director, Operational Support Services

Scott Moreash, Associate Director, Instructional Support Services

David Neale, Controller, Transportation and Corporate Support Services

Shirley-Ann Teal, Coordinating Superintendent

Nicole Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. **Approval of Agenda**

A revised agenda, and Item 9.2, Phase-in of New French Immersion Program at Brampton Centennial Secondary School, Phase-out of French Immersion Program at David Suzuki Secondary School, and Enrolment Cap at David Suzuki Secondary School, were circulated.

PB-22, moved by Steve Kavanagh, that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

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2/3 rds' majority

2. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, February 5, 2013

PB-23, moved by Jeff White, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held February 5, 2013, be approved.

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4. Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes (STOPR), November 16, 2012 / Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes, January 18, 2013

With regard to the Minutes of STOPR, November 16, 2012, a trustee referred to the information that 16,635 students in varying grade levels have the potential to lose eligibility, and over 7,000 students will lose eligibility due to distance criteria. She queried the reasons for the remaining students not being eligible to receive busing. Associate Director of Operational Support Services, Carla Kisko, stated that some students may lose eligibility because the walking routes are deemed safe with the completion of sidewalks, or stoppage of construction activity. Controller of Transportation and Corporate Support Services, David Neale, indicated that most cases relate to grade changes.

PB-24, moved by David Green:

1. That, the Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes, November 16, 2012, be received;
2. That, the Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes, January 18, 2012, be received.

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5. Quarterly Status Report – Combined Projects

John Hartzema, Project Manager, noted that each trustee has received the detailed Quarterly Status Report – Combined Projects, specifically sorted to reflect only the schools within his / her ward. He explained that the report provides historical and current data on all projects at schools.

With regard to Fletchers #7 School, a trustee asked whether the school is being organized as a K-Grade 5 school. She stated that there had been discussion about which school organization would best serve the community. Controller of Planning and Accommodation Support Services, Randy Wright, advised that the school is planned for K-Grade 5, but is being designed to readily convert to a K-Grade 8 school. There will be annual reviews to monitor enrolment. In response to another trustee's question, Manager of Design and Construction, Eugene Radley, confirmed that construction of Fairlawn Public School is on schedule, with site services completed, and contractors beginning preparations to put up the roof.

PB-25, moved by Rick Williams, that the report re Quarterly Status Report – Combined Projects, be received.

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6. Mount Pleasant Village Public School (K-Grade 8) (Holding Boundary - 2013-2014)

Phillip Sousa, Planning Officer, reviewed pertinent background information included in the report. He explained that development within the Mount Pleasant Village Public School boundary has been slower than expected. The administrative proposal is to direct 120 students from two registered plans in close proximity to Mount Pleasant Village Public School, and make use of available space at the school, until the new Mount Pleasant #2 school is constructed, tentatively scheduled for September 2015. Responding to a question, Phillip Sousa advised that, with the opening of Ingleborough Public School, students who were attending Mount Pleasant Village Public School as their holding school will move to their new school. As a result, nine classrooms will become available.

PB-26, moved by Suzanne Nurse, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

That, effective September 2013, all new K-Grade 8 students from the two registered plans 43M-1878 and 43M-1879, be directed to Mount Pleasant Village Public School.
(APPENDIX I)

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7. Phase-in of New French Immersion (FI) Program at Brampton Centennial Secondary School, Phase-out of French Immersion Program at David Suzuki Secondary School, and Enrolment Cap at David Suzuki Secondary School

Phillip Sousa reported on the recommendation to phase out the French Immersion program at David Suzuki Secondary School beginning in September 2013, with Grade 9 FI students attending a new phased-in FI program at Brampton Centennial Secondary School. He noted that the administration is also proposing an enrolment cap of 1,850 students for David Suzuki Secondary School, with students in excess of the cap being directed to Brampton Centennial Secondary School.

PB-27, moved by David Green, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

- i) That, effective September 3, 2013, a new French Immersion program at Brampton Centennial Secondary School be phased-in and the French Immersion program at David Suzuki Secondary School be phased-out, commencing with the re-direction of Grade 9 French Immersion students to Brampton Centennial Secondary School.
- ii) That, an enrolment cap of 1,850 students at David Suzuki Secondary School and the redirection of students in excess of 1,850 to Brampton Centennial Secondary School, be approved.
(APPENDIX II)

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8. Portable Inventory Status Update

Providing an update on the inventory of portables, Phillip Sousa referred to information contained in the report on the age and retirement of portables. He indicated that, in the upcoming months, Planning staff will be developing a longer term portable replacement plan for consideration during the 2014-2015 budget cycle. A trustee remarked that staff had worked to bring the number of portables to approximately 300, but now the number of portables is increasing once again, and is close to 700.

PB-28, moved by Steve Kavanagh, that the status update report on Portable Inventory, be received.

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9. Student Injury Prevention Initiative Funding

Reviewing the above-noted report, Manager of Health, Wellness and Safety, Louise Barker, reported that the Board received one-time funding of \$638,000 from the Ministry of Education to address safety issues and environmental concerns with technological education facilities and science labs in middle and secondary schools. She indicated that a minimum of 35% of the funding is to be used for Board-level safety activities, such as inspections and training, and a maximum of 65% is for technical expenditure, such as machine guards, ventilation, etc. Louise Barker noted that the plan for funding is included in the report. The funds must be used by August 31, 2013, and a report submitted to the Council of Ontario Directors of Education by September 30, 2013.

PB-29, moved by Jeff White, that the report re Student Injury Prevention Initiative Funding, be received.

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10. Neil C. Matheson Public School Site - Severance

Intermediate Planning Officer, Paul Mountford, reviewed background information contained in the report regarding severance of the Neil C. Matheson Public School site from the Gordon Graydon Secondary School site. The purpose of the application is to sever the site for potential disposal in accordance with capital funding needs. Paul Mountford reported that the application to sever was presented to the City of Mississauga's Committee of Adjustment on February 28, 2013. A number of residents were present and expressed concern about high density development and increased traffic. He advised that provisional consent to the application was granted by the Committee subject to conditions, which staff and the consultant are working to satisfy. The conditions need to be fulfilled within one year from the grant of provisional consent.

In reply to a trustee's question regarding application costs for the residential development of 20 lots on the site, Paul Mountford clarified that the Board proposes to retain the site as is, and the only cost with the application to sever is a \$2,500 fee.

PB-30, moved by Rick Williams, that the report re Neil C. Matheson Public School Site – Severance, be received.

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11. Municipal Development Applications and Classroom Accommodation Responses

Paul Mountford reported that, periodically in the past, copies of Infill Municipal Development Applications and copies of the Board's responses had been brought to the Physical Planning and Building Committee. He noted that, following recent concerns regarding school accommodation and the approval of development applications by the City of Brampton, it has been decided that staff will recommence bringing Infill applications to the Physical Planning and Building Committee.

PB-31, moved by Jeff White, that the report re Municipal Development Applications and Classroom Accommodation Responses, be received.

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12. Tender Activity Report

PB-32, moved by David Green, that the Tender Activity Report for January 23, 2013 to March 18, 2013, be received.

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13. Vandalism Report

Trustees reviewed the vandalism reports. A trustee, noting the incident of vandalism at a North Park Secondary School portable, asked whether there has been any decision arising from discussions regarding protective screening for windows of portables. Controller of Transportation and Corporate Support Services, David Neale, advised that, in the referred incident the school's security alarm was activated. Associate Director of Operational Support Services, Carla Kisko, spoke about the significant costs to secure windows of all portables. She suggested that staff undertake a cost-benefit analysis to bring back to the Committee. The trustee stated that the discussions on protective screening of windows was for portables at secondary schools, and he asked that the analysis be done for secondary school portables only.

PB-33, moved by David Green, that the Vandalism Report for January and February 2013, be received.

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14. Communications

PB-34, moved by Rick Williams, that the following communication items, be received:

1. Office of the Fire Marshal (OFM) – Update
2. Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc: Proposed Construction of a Natural Gas Pipeline

(Continued overleaf)

14. Communications (Continued)

- 3. Hanlan Water Main Project
- 4. Mount Pleasant Village – Winner of the 2012 Brampton Urban Design Award
- 5. Caledon East Additional Water Supply – Environment Assessment

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15. Question Period

Trustee Green asked whether there is information on the response time when a security alarm is activated in a school. Controller Neale confirmed that he will bring back the information requested.

Trustee White expressed appreciation for the detailed Quarterly Status Report: Combined Projects which had been provided to trustees (Item 5 of these Minutes). Referring to the Minutes of the Student Transportation of Peel Region Governance Committee, he requested that certain inferences regarding support for changes in busing be avoided.

16. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-35, moved by Jeff White, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Tender Activity Report for January 23, 2013 to March 18, 2013; Brookmede Public School – Transfer of Land with City of Mississauga (Brookmede Park), and Britannia Farm – Update (oral), be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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17. Adjournment

PB-36, moved by David Green, that the meeting adjourn (18:35 hours).

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