

April 9, 2013
Regular Meeting of the Board:lf

PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held in the Board Room, the H. J. A. Brown Education Centre, 5650 Hurontario Street, Mississauga, Ontario on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at 19:30 hours.

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair	Steve Kavanagh
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair	Sue Lawton
Stan Cameron	Brad MacDonald
Beryl Ford	Harinder Malhi
David Green	Rick Williams

Member absent: (apologies received*)

Meredith Johnson
Jeff White*

Student Trustees:

Linda Bui, Student Trustee North
May Zou, Student Trustee South

Administration:

Christine Beal, Controller, Finance Support Services
Shelley Bortolotto, Assistant Director, Human Resources Support Services
Jan Courtin, Superintendent of Education
Patrika Daws, Superintendent of Education
Jeff deFreitas, Superintendent of Education
Wendy Dowling, Superintendent of Education
Anthony Edwards, Superintendent of Education
Ina Fournier, Superintendent of Education
Jaspal Gill, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Poleen Grewal, Acting Superintendent of Education
Mark Haarmann, Superintendent of Education
Mark Keating, Chief Information Officer
Hazel Mason, Superintendent of Education
Scott Moreash, Associate Director, Instructional Support Services
David Neale, Controller, Transportation and Corporate Support Services
Patricia Noble, Superintendent of Education
Tony Pontes, Director of Education
Jerry Powidajko, Superintendent, Leadership Development and School Support Services
Patricia Rossall, Superintendent of Education, Alternative Programs
Louise Sirisko, Superintendent, Special Education Support Services
Marion Smith, Executive Assistant
Carol Speers, Superintendent of Education
Shirley-Ann Teal, Coordinating Superintendent
Joy Uniacke, Superintendent of Education

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Administration:

Brian Woodland, Director, Communications and Community Relations Support Services
Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services

Lorelei Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. Open Session

The Open Session commenced with the singing of O'Canada.

2. Approval of Agenda

The following changes were made to the agenda:

Item 6.1 (a) Retirements: Addendum (circulated)

Item 7.1 Request to Delegate: Dan Martinov re Postponement of Installation of Wi-Fi (added)

Item 8.1 Response to Delegation: Catherine Sopleit re Parents Reaching Out Grants (circulated)

Item 8.2 Response to Delegation: Vinay Saini and Anil Khanna re the Effect of New Development on Schools in the Springdale Community (circulated)

Item 11.2 OPSBA Fast Report: Volume 25, No. 13 (added)

Resolution No. 13-92 moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the agenda be approved, as amended.

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(2/3rds' majority)

3. Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**4. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, March 19, 2013
Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting, March 20, 2013
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, March 26, 2013**

Resolution No. 13-93 moved by Suzanne Nurse
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved:

1. That, the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, held March 19, 2013, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting, held March 20, 2013, be received;
3. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held March 26, 2013, be approved.

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5. Written Questions and Notices of Motion

There were no written questions or Notices of Motion.

6. Petitions

Trustee Williams reported that a request had been received from the Dunrankin Drive Public School community petitioning the Board to review its decision regarding changing the format of the Readiness Centre at Dunrankin Drive Public School, whereby the Centre will lose its teacher. Chair McDougald asked for a written petition to which a response will be provided at the next Regular Meeting of the Board, on May 14, 2013.

7. Special Section for Receipt

Resolution No. 13-94 moved by Sue Lawton
seconded by Beryl Ford

Resolved, that the following items, be received:

1. Retirements

Elizabeth Byram
Diane Cameron
Kim Clinton
Linda Coates
Kathleen Connor
Ian Dawson
Katherine Derziotis
Desiree Francis
Leslie Guimond
Margo Kennedy
Robert Kollar

Catherine LeFebvre
Kathryn MacKenzie
Sandra Mattina
Karin Milne
Lorraine Morgan
Eva Norman
Stefania Pilacinski
Wally Rawlinko
Ann Rempel
Angela Rotatore
Lucia Salmon

Jan Stapleton
Glenn Sweazey
William Villano
Linda Walchuk
Tavinder Walia
Ann West
Nancy Wimbush
Kathryn Wyman
Brian Landriault

7. Special Section for Receipt (Continued)

2. Good News: Herbert H. Carnegie Future Aces Citizenship Awards
3. Letters from the Chair to the Minister of Community and Social Services and the Minister of Education regarding the impact of the Ministry's new policies and processes to obtain supports for adult or transitioning students with developmental disabilities.

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Chair McDougald extended congratulations to Maxwell Tran, a recent graduate from The Woodlands Secondary School, on being selected as the recipient of the 2013 Future Aces Citizenship Award, in recognition of his initiative and dedication in serving his school and his community. Maxwell Tran will be presented with a scholarship of \$1,000 at a ceremony on April 12, 2013.

Chair McDougald stated that the letters regarding transition from school to adult services for students with Developmental Disabilities in the community, sent to the Minister of Community and Social Services (Item 7.3), were co-signed by Barbara Byers, Chair of the Special Education Advisory Committee, and her, on behalf of the Board. The letter spoke about lack of support for young adults with disabilities who have graduated from schools, and their families. A trustee commented that the name of the agency has been changed to Developmental Services Ontario. He suggested that the Board write to Ombudsman Ontario to investigate the issue. Chair McDougald agreed with the suggestion.

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Resolution No. 13-94 carried

8. Delegation by Dan Martinov regarding Wi-Fi Installation

Dan Martinov delegated the Board, expressing his concern as well as that of his family, on the possible health impact on his children, as a result of use of wireless network at Kenollie Public School, and he mentioned that there could be other families with a similar concern. He stated that Peel DSB has organized a meeting with parents to take place on April 24, 2013, which would include persons directly interested in this change to discuss and decide what could be best for everyone. He stated that his concerns are not based on proof that electromagnetic radiation is harmful, but rather on the lack of proof that it is harmless. Dan Martinov stated his interest in ensuring that the program is maintained within the framework set and accepted today by Health Canada, Industry Canada, and Ontario Health. He requested that the Board postpone turning on the wireless transmitters until the meeting takes place on April 24, 2013.

Chair McDougald confirmed that there is a meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. on April 24, 2013 and that a Peel medical officer, Peel staff, and experts in the field, will be discussing 21st century learning regarding the wireless venture. In response to a trustee's question as to whether the delegate is asking for the postponement as an individual request or on behalf of the community, Dan Martinov replied that his request today is on behalf of his family, but he has reason to believe that people in the community are concerned.

8. Delegation by Dan Martinov regarding Wi-Fi Installation (Continued)

Replying to Chair McDougald's question, Dan Martinov stated that he is requesting postponement of the wireless implementation date until after the meeting as he does not want his children to be exposed to radiation even for those two weeks. Chair McDougald clarified that the purpose of the meeting on April 24, 2013 is to provide information and answer questions; it is not a consultation or debate. She advised that Peel DSB has made a significant investment in its wireless network, based on information received from Peel Health and the Ministry of Health. She noted that the Wi-Fi installed at Kenollie Public School is ready to be implemented and indicated that the meeting will not change the direction of the Board in implementing the wireless system in schools throughout the region. Dan Martinov expressed the opinion that parents should have been consulted, and he made reference to statements by Health Canada and the Cancer Research Institute from France regarding radio frequency fields possibly being carcinogenic and not proven harmless, as well as related information on the Industry Canada website. Chair McDougald advised that David Mowat, Medical Officer of Health, Region of Peel, will answer questions and concerns at the meeting on April 24, 2013, and added that the Board has done its due diligence on Wi-Fi.

Director of Education, Tony Pontes, also clarified that the purpose of the April 24, 2013 meeting is to learn about 21st century issues. He stated that the World Health Organization did not conclude that Wi-Fi was possibly carcinogenic, but it evaluated the safety of mobile phones as possibly carcinogenic. He added that Industry Canada has conducted extensive series of tests in simulated classroom settings and the study done in 2011 indicates that level of radio frequency exposure emitted by wireless routers is considerably below that of safety standards in Canada. He stated that the Board takes its advice from Health Canada and that decisions are based on Health Canada's reviews, guidelines, and policies. Chair McDougald advised that the decision on when to switch on the Wi-Fi at Kenollie Public School will be made after discussions with the superintendent of education, and she stated that a response will be provided to the delegation.

9. Response to Delegation by Catherine Soplet Regarding Parents Reaching Out Grants

At the Regular Meeting of the Board held on March 26, 2013, Catherine Soplet delegated the Board regarding the Ministry's Parents Reaching Out (PRO) grants program.

Resolution No. 13-95

moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by David Green

Resolved, that the Response to Delegation by Catherine Soplet regarding Parents Reaching Out Grants, be received.

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10. Response to Delegation by Vinay Saini and Anil Khanna Regarding the Effect of New Development on Schools in the Springdale Community

At the Regular Meeting of the Board held on March 26, 2013, Vijay Saini and Anil Khanna delegated the Board regarding the effect of new development on schools in the Springdale community.

Resolution No. 13-96 moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by Steve Kavanagh

Resolved, that the Response to Delegation by Vijay Saini and Anil Khanna regarding the effect of new development on schools in the Springdale community, be received.

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Chair McDougald stated that the delegation has asked complex questions with regard to the Planning Act to which the administration has responded. A trustee asked that a more detailed report on portables, boundary changes, and holding sites be presented. She noted that residents need to be aware of the impact of this development on the community, to enable them to make informed decisions. The trustee commented on some of the difficulties that may arise in trying to meet the future needs of the Springdale community, such as portables, boundary changes, staff parking spaces, lack of play spaces for children, and additional space required for Full-Day Kindergarten. She indicated that Brampton City Council needs to be made aware of these needs. Director of Education, Tony Pontes acknowledged the concerns and the request for future reports to include any cautions related to accommodation.

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Resolution No. 13-96 carried

11. Recommendations of the Special Education Advisory Committee, March 19, 2013

At a meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee, held March 19, 2013, there were no recommendations to the Board.

Resolution No. 13-97 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Brad MacDonald

1. Reports / Information Received

Presentation re Canadian Mental Health Association; Policy/Program Memorandum 156 Supporting Transitions for Students with Special Education Needs; Integrated Transition Planning for Young People with Developmental Disabilities; Creating Pathways to Success; Education and Career/Life Planning Program for Kindergarten to Grade 12 and the 34 Credit Threshold; Open Minds, Healthy Minds Update (oral); Letter to Minister Liz Sandals from SEAC Chair, Trillium Lakelands District School Board re Special Education Preparatory Courses; Letter to Minister Laurel Broten from SEAC Chair, Upper Grand District School Board re Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder; Letter to Ministers Liz Sandals and Ted McMeekin from SEAC Chair, Thames Valley District School Board re Concerns about Developmental Services of Ontario Agency.

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12. Recommendations of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee, March 20, 2013

At a meeting of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee, held March 20, 2013, there were no recommendations to the Board.

Resolution No. 13-98 moved by Rick Williams
seconded by Suzanne Nurse

1. Reports / Information Received

Celebrating Faith and Culture Backgrounder – March 2013; An Introduction to the Region of Peel Secondary School Athletic Association; English as a Second Language Review Report #2: Contextual and Demographic Profile.

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13. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, April 2, 2013

Resolution No. 13-99 moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by David Green

At a meeting of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, held April 2, 2013, the following recommendations resulted:

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

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, as attached to the Minutes)

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

- 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, as attached to the Minutes)

Note: At the May 14, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Board, this resolution was amended to be effective September 2014.

13. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, April 2, 2013
(Continued)

3. Reports / Information Received

Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes, November 16, 2012; Student Transportation of Peel Region Minutes, January 18, 2013; Quarterly Status Report: Combined Projects; Portable Inventory Status Update; Student Injury Prevention Initiative Funding; Neil C. Matheson Public School Site – Severance; Municipal Development Applications and Classroom Accommodation Responses; Tender Activity Report, January 23, 2013 to March 18, 2013; Vandalism Report, January and February 2013; Office of the Fire Marshal – Update; Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc: Proposed Construction of a Natural Gas Pipeline; Hanlan Water Main Project; Mount Pleasant Village - Winner of the 2012 Brampton Urban Design Award; Caledon East Addition Water Supply – Environmental Assessment.

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A trustee reviewed background information for Resolution 13-99, Part 2, regarding 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. He referred to information that Brampton Centennial Secondary School is the regular program school for the majority of the Grade 9 FI students and asked about the number of students re-directed. Superintendent of Education, Jeff deFreitas will bring back the information to the trustee.

With regard to the statement that transportation would be provided to re-directed regular program students in accordance with Peel District School Board Transportation Policy # 39, the trustee indicated that it is not according to regulations and asked if the option of rolling back the boundary change that was approved on January 25, 2011 was considered. Superintendent deFreitas stated that options considered were to minimize the cap at David Suzuki Secondary School and maximize use of Brampton Centennial Secondary School to 400 students. Superintendent deFreitas will provide information to the trustee regarding the number of students in the regular program at David Suzuki Secondary School who lived west of Creditview Road, that were added after the original boundaries were established. He responded to the trustee's question regarding where Grade 9 students who chose FI over other options would be redirected to, if they had applied for the regular program.

The trustee commented on the history of how the original school boundary was developed to allow David Suzuki Secondary School to have controlled growth in FI and allow Brampton Centennial Secondary School to accommodate students until such time as the new school at Bovaird and Mississauga Road would be ready. Stating that he has received numerous calls from his community regarding FI, he indicated his preference for the original boundary and Regional Program including FI and the plan, for David Suzuki Secondary School to grow over four years. He requested a recorded vote on Part 2 of the recommendation.

13. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, April 2, 2013
(Continued)

Further questions of clarification from trustees were responded to by Chair McDougald and Director Pontes regarding the current number of FI students at DSSS, portables, and enrolment capacity at DSSS. Discussion ensued on the possibility of delaying the decision, information nights on FI and regional programs that took place, contingency plan if the recommendation is not approved, long term sustainability, impact of delaying implementation till 2014.

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The result of the vote was as follows:

Yeas	Nays	Abstentions
Trustees Malhi, MacDonald, Ford, McDougald, Nurse, Williams	Trustees Lawton, Green, Cameron, Kavanagh	(6-4-0) carried
Student Trustee Bui		Student Trustee Zou (7-4-1) (Non-binding)
<u>Resolution No. 13-99 (Part 2)</u>	 carried
<u>Resolution No. 13-99 (Parts 1, 3)</u>	 carried

14. Notice of Appointment of Two Trustees (and Two Alternates) to the OPSBA Board of Directors: June 2013 – June 2014

Resolution No. 13-100 moved by Suzanne Nurse
seconded by Beryl Ford

Resolved that, at the Regular Meeting of the Board on May 14, 2013, the Peel District School Board appoint two trustees and two alternates to serve on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association for the 2013–2014 period (from the 2013 Annual General Meeting to the 2014 Annual General Meeting). These appointments will be subject to the Board's decision on OPSBA membership for the 2013-2014 school year.

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15. Peel District School Board Student Trustees: 2013 - 2014

Chair McDougald congratulated Trevor Sookraj of Glenforest Secondary School who will represent Peel schools south of Highway 401, and Sahil Sharma of Central Peel Secondary School who will represent Peel schools north of the 401, on their election as Student Trustees for the school year 2013-2014. She acknowledged them and their parents in the audience and expressed appreciation for their enthusiasm and interest in contributing to the Board and representing Peel students.

Resolution No. 13-101 moved by Sue Lawton
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that Trevor Sookraj and Sahil Sharma be appointed as Peel District School Board Student Trustees for the 2013-2014 school year.

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16. Use of Volunteer Supervisors to Support Extracurricular Activities in Peel Schools

Resolution No. 13-102 moved by Steve Kavanagh
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the Operating Procedure to guide the use of volunteer supervisors to support extracurricular activities in Peel schools be finalized and implemented for use beginning in September 2013. (APPENDIX I)

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Trustees expressed their support for the initiative stating that they are aware of other school boards that have successfully implemented the policy, and noted that it will ensure that valuable community resources are utilized to help children succeed. A trustee expressed appreciation for the work of volunteers and the opportunity for volunteers to engage in the community and utilize their skills. He mentioned that concerns regarding Region of Peel Secondary School Athletic Association (ROPSSAA) and Ontario Federation of Athletic Association (OFSAA) rules related to direct supervision will need to be resolved.

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Resolution No. 13-102 carried

17. The 34 Credit Threshold and Completion of Secondary School in Four Years

Superintendent of Education, Alternative Programs, Patricia Rossall, reviewed the report which outlines the changes to the funding model for 2013-2014 based on the 34 credit threshold and completion of secondary school in four years. She highlighted the resources available to students: the recently published Creating Pathways to Success for students in Grades 7 and 8 to assist in planning to graduate from secondary school in four years and prepare for post secondary education; the Ministry-developed web-based Individual Pathway Plan (IPP) for the Grade 10 careers course; the Board's electronic career planner, My Blueprint, designed as a career/life planning tool for Grades 7-12.

17. The 34 Credit Threshold and Completion of Secondary School in Four Years
(Continued)

Superintendent Rossall advised that the Ministry is fully funding 34 credits, but beyond that, when there is no requirement for Individual Education Plan (IEP), English as a Second Language (ESL), or English Literacy Development (ELD), the Board will be funded at the Continuing Education rate. She indicated that parents and students need to be informed that other options are available, such as summer school, night school, and the e-learning program. Superintendent Rossall reviewed the Implementation Plan which includes training, and information to staff and parent groups to facilitate the understanding and importance of the plan and to offer options.

Director of Education, Tony Pontes, thanked Superintendent Rossall for her leadership and support to schools. He stated that as a consequence of this threshold, Peel DSB and every other Board will lose funding because if a student chooses to take a 35th credit, the student will have the option to take it in summer school or in day school, however, funding will be received at approximately 50% if the credit is taken in day schools, and the Board will bear the deficit. A trustee expressed concern that students have a right to be in school for seven years and take as many courses as the school offers, which could financially impact the system. In response to a trustee's question as to whether there is a plan to bring back a report to the Board with regard to the financial impact, Chair McDougald stated that it will be tracked through monthly budget statements and a report will be provided to trustees. The trustee stated that at a recent regional meeting of school board representatives, he raised the issue of supporting secondary school students for up to seven years without full funding and he suggested that a letter be sent to the Ministry asking them to reconsider the issue. He proposed that a letter also be written to the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) on the issue.

Chair McDougald commented on the need to ask students who have completed 34 credits to consider alternative programs and inquired about the source of the funding. Superintendent Rossall stated that there is an option for part-time student status within the home school which will not be at full funding, but at Continuing Education funding. If courses are available and students need to upgrade prerequisites for college or university, part-time study is an option. Chair McDougald remarked that funding will be managed in order to support students, and follow up will be done through OPSBA.

Resolution No. 13-103

moved by Beryl Ford
seconded by Suzanne Nurse

Resolved, that the report re The 34 Credit Threshold and Completion of Secondary School in Four Years, be received.

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18. Results of New Registration Process – Grade 1 French Immersion (FI)

Resolution No. 13-104 moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that the report re Results of New Registration Process – Grade 1 French Immersion, be received.

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Associate Director of Instructional Support Services, Scott Moreash, provided clarification to a trustee's questions regarding level of access indicated in the report, placing an enrolment cap on all Grade 1 FI programs instead of opening new locations, and five additional FI classes at Walnut Grove Public School. Chair McDougald reported that based on the previous grandfathering of siblings in FI programs for students in Grades 1 to 8, there is a request from her community for permanent grandfathering of siblings in the FI program.

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Resolution No. 13-104 carried

Trustee Green retired from the meeting at 21:10 hours.

19. Reports from Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Resolution No. 13-105 moved by Rick Williams
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the following reports, be received:

- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 12
- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 13

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20. Reports from Trustee Representatives on Councils / Associations

Trustee Williams reported that at an OPSBA meeting held on the weekend, at which some trustees were present, the issue of 48% of Peel's student population in English as a Second Language (ESL) program was raised, and will be discussed further. Chair McDougald stated that a report will be brought to a future meeting.

21. Question Period

There were no questions

22. Public Question Period

Julie Dinniwell, a parent, whose children attend Kenollie Public School stated that she and her husband look forward to the meeting on April 24, 2013 to hear Peel's Medical Officer of Health, David Mowat, Director Pontes, and the panel, to better understand the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) initiative. She requested that specific information on actual proven benefits in terms of e-learning, and outcomes of Junior Kindergarten be provided. She commented that Grades 1 and 2 children are being asked to bring in electronic devices to school. She expressed her concern at the lack of details available for in-classroom engagement and asked if data will be shared with parents. Julie Dinniwell expressed the opinion that many parents do not feel that they have a clear understanding of the program and that the community meeting should have taken place before BYOD was implemented. Regarding Wi-Fi she stated that it will expose four year olds to radio frequencies and electromagnetic fields. Julie Dinniwell expressed concern that parents were not allowed an opportunity to understand this process and asked if she could send a list of questions in advance so that answers may be provided at the meeting. Chair McDougald responded.

Anil Khanna inquired about a response to his delegation at the Regular Meeting of the Board on March 26, 2013. A copy of the response was handed to him. Anil Khanna then asked about the use of portables and expressed his concerns regarding the safety of children in portables. He stated that a portable in his son's school was vandalized four times and he voiced concern about the impact that these incidents have on young minds. Anil Khanna supported the request of Julie Dinniwell regarding wireless in schools and commented that 30-40 years ago X-Rays were deemed safe but today they are not. Chair McDougald responded.

Catherine Soplet made reference to the 34 Credit Threshold and completion of secondary school in four years. She spoke about the graduation rate of secondary school students for the period September 2001 to June 2012 and success rate of Peel DSB students. She asked if data would be available to indicate the number of students who graduate in 4 years versus five years, with gender distribution and indication of birth months of graduates. Chair McDougald responded.

Catherine Sople

t commented on the cuts to funding that were experienced between 1997 and 2003 and its impact on the classroom, especially to special education. She remarked that the current cohort of students accessing Grade 9 enjoyed a stable education landscape following the change in government in 2003 and they may be well prepared to complete 34 credits within a 4-year window. She stated that the current cohort of youth aged 16-24, have compromised mental health outcomes stemming from a deteriorated school climate experienced between 1997 and 2003, while they were students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6. Catherine Sople

t noted that the academic progress of the current cohort of 4 year olds may not be tracked through public education as was done for students who went before them. She expressed the opinion that technology and lifestyle are disrupting routine developmental benchmarks and learning styles in young children.

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RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN IN COMMITTEE SESSION – APRIL 9, 2013

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair
Stan Cameron
Beryl Ford
David Green

Steve Kavanagh
Sue Lawton
Brad MacDonald
Harinder Malhi

Members absent: (apologies received marked *)

Meredith Johnson
Jeff White*

Student Trustees:

Linda Bui, Student Trustee North
May Zou, Student Trustee South

Part A

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, be approved.

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), March 26, 2013

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee - Part A), held March 26, 2013, be approved.

3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), April 2, 2013

That, the following recommendations arising from the Physical Planning and Building Committee meeting, held April 2, 2013, be approved:

1. Brookmeade Public School – Transfer of Land with City of Mississauga (Brookmeade Park)

- i) That, approximately 334.7m² at Brookmeade Public School be transferred to the City of Mississauga for an equal area of approximately 334.7m² at Brookmeade Park from the City of Mississauga.
- ii) That, such exchange of lands be determined to constitute a reasonable step in a plan to provide accommodation for pupils at Brookmeade Public School. (Appendix I, as attached to the minutes)

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3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), April 2, 2013 (Continued)

2. Reports / Information Received

Tender Activity Report, January 23, 2013 to March 18, 2013; Britannia Farm – Update (oral).

4. Negotiations Update

That, the update report on Negotiations, be received.

5. Britannia Farm Update

That, the oral update report on Britannia Farm, be received.

Part B (Not Including Student Trustees)

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

**2. Discipline Committee Meeting of the Board, March 18, 2013
Audit Committee Meeting, March 21, 2013
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), March 26, 2013**

1. That, the Minutes of the Discipline Committee Meeting of the Board, held March 18, 2013, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, held March 21, 2013, be received;
3. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), held March 26, 2013, be approved.

3. Resignations

That, the report of resignations of staff, be received.

4. Retirements

That, the report of retirements of staff, be received.

5. Acting Principals and Vice-Principals

That, the report re Acting Principals and Vice-Principals, be received.

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6. Director's Report

That, the Director's Report re School Day Schedule in Middle Schools, be received.