

February 12, 2013
Regular Meeting of the Board:nf

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, February 12, 2013 at 19:45 hours.

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair	Sue Lawton
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair	Brad MacDonald
Stan Cameron	Harinder Malhi
David Green	Jeff White
Meredith Johnson	Rick Williams
Steve Kavanagh	

Member absent: (apologies received)

Beryl Ford

Student Trustees:

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

Administration:

Christine Beal, Controller, Finance Support Services
Dawn Beckett-Morton, Director, Human Resources Support Services
Pertia Bent, Superintendent of Education
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
Carla Kisko, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
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

Administration: (Continued)

Carol Speers, Superintendent of Education
Shirley-Ann Teal, Coordinating Superintendent
Joy Uniac, Superintendent of Education
Brian Woodland, Director, Communications and Community Relations Support Services
Nicole Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. Open Session

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

Chair McDougald reported that today is Mental Health Day, and Bell Canada is donating 5 cents for every tweet or text. She encouraged everyone to participate in this worthy cause, noting that it aligns with the Board's focus, and that mental health issues are pervasive and affect many families and children in Peel.

2. Approval of Agenda

The following changes were made to the agenda:

- Item 6.4 Letter to the Minister of Education from the Durham DSB proposing a task force to recommend new and effective structures for future contractual negotiations (revised report circulated)
- Item 11.2 OPSBA Fast Report: Volume 25, No. 5 (added)
- Item 11.3 OPSBA Fast Report: Volume 25, No. 6 (added)

Resolution No. 13-55 moved by Harinder Malhi
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the agenda as amended, be approved.

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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, January 15, 2013
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, January 22, 2013**

Resolution No. 13-56 moved by Steve Kavanagh
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved:

1. That, the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, held January 15, 2013, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held January 22, 2013, be approved.

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5. Written Questions

There were no written questions.

6. Notices of Motion and Petitions

There were no notices of motion or petitions.

7. Special Section for Receipt

Resolution No. 13-57 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Jeff White

Resolved, that the following items, be received:

1. Retirements

Pat Beck	Josephine Lovering
William Hallem	Janko Marjanovic
Sally Hamilton	Helena Pereira
Karen Jackson	Judy Stuve
Ranjit Khatkur	Cathy White

2. Good News (International Association of Business Communicators/Toronto 2012 Communicator of the Year awarded to former Director of Education, Jim Grieve; Peel DSB's "Stand Up" video awarded the 2012 Strategic Video Awards' Grand Award; Joan Hamilton, Principal of Roberta Bondar Public School, named by The Learning Partnership as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals of the Year for 2013)

(Continued overleaf)

7. Special Section for Receipt (Continued)

3. Letter to the Minister of Community and Social Services from the Hamilton-Wentworth DSB re negative impact of the Ministry's new policies and processes for supports for adult or transitioning developmentally challenged students
4. Letter to the Minister of Education from the Durham DSB proposing a task force to recommend new and effective structures for future contractual negotiations

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Chair McDougald drew Board Members' attention to the Good News report (Item 7.2) with regard to former Director of Education, Jim Grieve, being awarded the Communicator of the Year award by the International Association of Business Communicators/Toronto 2012. Commending Communications and Media departments for their work on the Stand Up video which received the 2012 Strategic Video Awards' Grand Award, she stated that the video highlights the important subjects of mental health and bullying. Chair McDougald congratulated Joan Hamilton, Principal of Roberta Bondar Public School, on being named by The Learning Partnership as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals of the Year for 2013.

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Resolution No. 13-57 carried

8. Response to the Delegation by Sherene Ricketts re French Immersion Boundaries at Ridgeview Public School and Copeland Public School

Resolution No. 13-58 moved by Steve Kavanagh
seconded by Meredith Johnson

Resolved, that the response to the delegation by Sherene Ricketts re French Immersion Boundaries at Ridgeview Public School and Copeland Public School (Regular Meeting of the Board, January 22, 2013), be received.

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9. Recommendations of the Special Education Advisory Committee, January 15, 2013

At a meeting of the Special Education Advisory Committee, held January 15, 2013, there were no recommendations to the Board.

(Continued overleaf)

**9. Recommendations of the Special Education Advisory Committee, January 15, 2013
(Continued)**

Resolution No. 13-59 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved that the information about the Special Education Advisory Committee's receipt of the following items, be received:

1. Reports / Information Received

Humberview Secondary School – Vocational Program; Special Equipment Amount (SEA) Funding (oral); Intensive Support for Peel Students; Updated Special Education Advisory Committee Member List; Teaching Assistants' (TA) Allocation Module (oral).

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**10. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee,
February 5, 2013**

Chair McDougald acknowledged the presence of the Principal of Humberview Secondary School, Rick Treadwell, and Special Education Coordinator, Katie Levalds, in the audience. A trustee expressed appreciation for the recommendation to introduce a vocational program at Humberview Secondary School. He thanked Principal Treadwell and Katie Levalds for their support and work on the recommendation. The trustee remarked that Humberview Secondary School is a smaller but vibrant secondary school, offering French Immersion, Extended French, the enhanced learning program, and a Specialist High Skills Major program in transportation, with a second application to the Ministry for a health and wellness course, in addition to the proposed vocational program.

Resolution No. 13-60 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Harinder Malhi

Resolved that, the following recommendations arising from the Physical Planning and Building Committee meeting, held February 5, 2013, be approved:

1. Humberview Secondary School (Boundary Change and New Vocational Program) / Judith Nyman Secondary School (Boundary Change)

- 1) That, a new vocational program be created at Humberview Secondary School, phased in commencing with Grade 9 in September 2013;
- 2) **Judith Nyman Secondary School (Vocational Grades 9 - 12) - Boundary Change**

That, effective September 2013, the 9 -12 vocational boundary for Judith Nyman Secondary School be as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of Mayfield Road and McLaughlin Road then east along Mayfield Road to Airport Road

**10. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee,
February 5, 2013 (Continued)**

2) Judith Nyman Secondary School (Vocational Grades 9 - 12) - Boundary Change (Cont'd)

then south along Airport Road to Steeles Avenue East
then west along Steeles Avenue East to Highway 410
then north along Highway 410 to Queen Street East
then west along Queen Street East to Main Street North (Hurontario Street)
then north along Main Street North to Bovaird Drive West
then west along Bovaird Drive West to McLaughlin Road North
then north along McLaughlin Road to the point of commencement.

3) Humberview Secondary School (Vocational Grades 9 - 12) - Boundary Change and New Vocational Program

That, effective September 2013, the Grades 9 - 12 vocational boundary for Humberview Secondary School be as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of Winston Churchill Boulevard and the Caledon / East Garafraxa Town Line
then east along the Caledon / East Garafraxa Town Line to Highway 9
then southeast along Highway 9 to the Caledon/King Townline and Albion Vaughan Road
then southwest along the Caledon/King Townline and Albion Vaughan Road to Mayfield Road
then west along Mayfield Road to Winston Churchill Boulevard
then north along Winston Churchill Boulevard to the point of commencement.

Note: This boundary change would be phased in commencing with Grade 9 in September 2013.
(Appendix I, as attached to the minutes)

2. Naming of New Schools

- 1) That, the new school, formerly known as Bramwest Sub Area #1, to be located at 25 Wardsville Drive in Brampton be named Eldorado Public School.
- 2) That, the new school, formerly known as Brameast #5, to be located at Tappet Drive in Brampton be named Walnut Grove Public School.
- 3) That, the new school, formerly known as Credit Valley Sub Area 2 #2, to be located at 10 Lorenvile Drive in Brampton be named Lorenvile Public School.
- 4) That, the new school, formerly known as Brameast #4, to be located at 45 Meltwater Crescent in Brampton be named Sir Isaac Brock Public School.
(Appendix II, as attached to the minutes)

13. 2012: EL4 – Schools-First Child Care Capital Retrofit Policy

Trustees reviewed the report regarding the Ministry's Schools-First Child Care Capital Retrofit Policy which is intended to guide the education and child care sectors in planning and retrofitting school space to serve children 0 to 3.8 years. Coordinating Superintendent, Shirley-Ann Teal, highlighted that the Policy and Memo 2012: EL4 include guidelines for acceptable and non-eligible expenses. She noted that school boards will receive funding to retrofit spaces to meet the requirements of children 2.5 to 3.8 years, with the implementation of Full Day Kindergarten. A trustee asked whether the Ministry has provided information on repaying school boards for lot levies paid to developers for purchase of school lands. He indicated that the Ministry has paid for school buildings but not for purchasing the lands.

Resolution No. 13-63

moved by Suzanne Nurse
seconded by David Green

Resolved, that the report re 2012: EL4 – Schools-First Child Care Capital Retrofit Policy, be received.

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14. Graduation Rates 2011-2012

Chair McDougald referred to the above-noted report, commenting appreciatively that the upward trend in graduation rates is the culmination of efforts by teachers and all staff, as well as the result of implementing various initiatives by the leadership team. She noted that the positive results are also due to the Ministry's focus on student success, especially with regard to secondary students. Associate Director of Instructional Support Services, Scott Moreash, drew trustees' attention to the table showing the five year graduation rates, and he attributed the steady increase in rates to the work being done in Peel schools, both at the elementary and the secondary levels. He added that, although these are secondary school graduation rates, the work of teachers and support staff in elementary schools with students during the early years in school should also be recognized.

A trustee asked regarding any anticipated impact due to the impending restriction relating to credit accumulation. Associate Director Moreash reported that staff are currently analyzing the number of students taking credits beyond 34. He advised that the Ministry has explained that students continue to have to right to earn credits beyond 34; however, funding will be restricted for credits beyond 34. The trustee commented that it may limit a student's choice if courses are not offered for funding reasons. Chair McDougald acknowledged that this is a concern, and expressed the hope that the new Premier will review the funding restriction.

Chair McDougald remarked that the results highlighted in the report can also be attributed to the Board offering different pathways to students, and present a good argument for creating more pathways and emphasizing alternative ways of teaching and learning. She stated that the Board needs to be mindful of where resources are directed, and that various pathways need to be nurtured and expanded.

14. Graduation Rates 2011-2012 (Continued)

Resolution No. 13-64 moved by Steve Kavanagh
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that the report re Graduation Rates 2011-2012, be received.

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15. Ontario's Poverty Reduction Strategy: 2012 Annual Report

Resolution No. 13-65 moved by Brad MacDonald
seconded by Jeff White

Resolved, that the report re Ontario's Poverty Reduction Strategy: 2012 Annual Report, be received.

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Chair McDougald stated that the Ontario's Poverty Reduction Strategy: 2012 Annual Report outlines the actions taken by the Government to reduce poverty in the Province. She stated that the issue of poverty is complex and funding alone will not provide long term solutions.

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Resolution No. 13-65 carried

16. Reports from Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Resolution No. 13-66 moved by David Green
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the following reports, be received:

- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 4
- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 5
- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 6

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17. Question Period

There were no questions.

18. Public Question Period

Catherine Sopley referred to the Ontario's Poverty Reduction Strategy: 2012 Annual Report (Item 15 of these Minutes), and reported that she had made a deputation to the City of Mississauga regarding the role of Parents Reaching Out grants within the framework of crime prevention. She stated that the PRO grants are not mentioned in the Annual Report, and she asked whether the Board would like to draw the Ministry's attention to this omission. She then referred to the OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 25, No. 6 (Item 16 of these Minutes), and she noted that the submission deadline for the call for policy resolutions and proposed amendments to the OPSBA Constitution is April 1, 2013. She asked whether the Board would be interested to affirm participation in the local government week, hosted by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs every October. Chair McDougald responded to the questions.

19. Recess and Second In Committee Session

Resolution No. 13-67 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Steve Kavanagh

Resolved, that the Board recess and move back into In Committee Session (20:30 hours).

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The Board moved back into Open Session on a motion by Trustee Kavanagh (20:45 hours).

20. Adoption of the In Committee Report

Resolution No. 13-68 moved by Jeff White
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the Report of the In Committee Session regarding: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), January 22, 2013; Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), February 5, 2013; Negotiations Update (oral); Graduation Rates 2011- 2012; Safe Welcome Program for Elementary Schools; Recommendation for Termination of Contract; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), January 22, 2013; Resignations; Retirements; Manager of Workplace Equity; Director's Report; and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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21. Adjournment

Resolution No. 13-69 moved by Meredith Johnson
seconded by David Green

Resolved, that the meeting adjourn (20:45 hours).

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..... Chair Secretary

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RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN IN COMMITTEE SESSION –FEBRUARY 12, 2013

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair
Stan Cameron
David Green
Meredith Johnson
Steve Kavanagh

Sue Lawton
Brad MacDonald
Harinder Malhi
Jeff White
Rick Williams

Member absent: (apologies received)

Beryl Ford

Student Trustees:

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

Part A

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), January 22, 2013

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A),
January 22, 2013, be approved

3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), February 5, 2013

That, the information regarding the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In
Committee) receipt of the following items at a meeting held on February 5, 2013, be
received:

1. Reports / Information Received

Tender Activity Report, December 21, 2012 to January 23, 2013.

4. Negotiations Update

That, the oral update report re Negotiations, be received.

5. Graduation Rates 2011- 2012

That, the report re Graduation Rates 2011 - 2012, be received.

6. Safe Welcome Program for Elementary Schools

That, the report re Safe Welcome Program for Elementary Schools, be received.

PART B (Not Including Student Trustees)

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

2. Termination of Teacher Contract

That, the employment of the teacher named in the report be terminated for just cause, effective February 13, 2013.

**3. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B),
January 22, 2013**

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), January 22, 2013, be approved.

4. Resignations

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

5. Retirements

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

6. Manager of Workplace Equity

That, the position of Manager of Workplace Equity and the accompanying budget, be approved. (Appendix I)