

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, February 3, 2015 at 18:10 hours.

Members present:

David Green, Chair
Carrie Andrews
Stan Cameron
Robert Crocker
Suzanne Nurse
Rick Williams

Trustees also present:

Nokha Dakroub
Kathy McDonald
Harkirat Singh

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)
Tania Alatishe-Charles, Controller, Finance Support Services
Ina Fournier, Superintendent of Education
David Neale, Controller, Corporate Support Services
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director of Operational Support Services
Joe Weinberg, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Brian Woodland, Director, Communications and Community Relations Support Services

Lorelei Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. Approval of Agenda

Item 9.5, Extension of Implementation Date for the Springdale Public School Boundary Change, was added to the agenda, and a revised agenda was circulated.

PB-09, moved by Harkirat Singh, that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

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2/3rds' 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, January 7, 2015

PB-10, moved by Robert Crocker, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held January 7, 2015, be approved.

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4. Vales of Humber K – Grade 8 Regular Program Holding Boundary

Dave Dundas, Manager of Planning Services, drew attention to the map highlighting the Vales of Humber community. He advised that the recommendation proposes to redirect students from that community to James Grieve Public School for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year and for the 2015-2016 school year, as Treeline Public School has limited capacity to accommodate growth. Trustees' questions of clarification were responded to, with regard to students being bused to James Grieve Public School and accommodation for these students after the 2015-2016 school year. In reply to a trustee's question regarding impact on students moving in the middle of the school year, it was clarified that only new enrolments would be redirected to James Grieve Public School and existing students will continue at Treeline Public School. A trustee commented on an article in the Toronto Star which commended the Peel DSB's strategy of using a holding school to plan ahead. Further questions of clarification from trustees were responded to, regarding: revised projected enrolment of 1,739 students for 2018; students redirected to James Grieve Public School, which is a holding school, will be part of Countryside Public School until a new school is built; the Principal of Countryside Public School will function as Principal at James Grieve Public School.

PB-11, moved by Kathy McDonald, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

That, effective immediately, all new K – Grade 8 students from the Vales of Humber community in Brampton be directed to James Grieve Public School for the remainder of the 2014/2015 school year and for the 2015/2016 school year. (APPENDIX I)

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5. Naming of New Schools

Director of Communications and Community Relations Support Services, Brian Woodland, explained the policy on naming of new schools, advising that usually a school is named after the street on which it resides. Other options for school names are the district that it serves, or the name of an individual. Citing some examples of school names that were not found acceptable, such as Bonnie Braes Drive and Jordensen Drive, Brian Woodland stated that if the street name is not the preferred choice in terms of sounding, or repetition of names, then other options are considered.

Responding to a trustee's comment with regard to school names that are similar to street names in different parts of the city, Brian Woodland advised that in some cases schools may be named after a nearby street. In response to a procedural question regarding naming of schools, Brian Woodland explained that in case a street name does not work, then there is opportunity for the Board to choose a name, and recommendations for names should be forwarded to him for consideration. He outlined the process, which includes reviewing potential names with area trustees, superintendent of education, and school principal.

5. Naming of New Schools (Continued)

PB-12, moved by Harkirat Singh, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

- 1) That, the new school, currently known as Credit Valley Sub Area 5#1 Public School, to be located at 90 Bonnie Braes Drive in Brampton be named Churchville Public School.
- 2) That, the new school, currently known as Credit Valley Sub Area 3#2 Public School, to be located at 145 Jordensen Drive in Brampton be named Springbrook Public School.
- 3) That, the new school, currently known as Brameast #6 Public School, to be located at 155 Castle Oaks Cross in Brampton be named Castle Oaks Public School.
- 4) That, the new school, currently known as Mount Pleasant #2 Public School, to be located at 25 Aylesbury Drive in Brampton be named Aylesbury Public School.
(APPENDIX II)

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6. Application Status Update

PB-13, moved by Nokha Dakroub, that the Application Status Update report for December 2014, be received.

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7. Accessibility Plan Status Report 2014

Accessibility Coordinator, Jennifer Miller, advised that the Board is required to create a multi-year accessibility plan, outlining how Peel DSB will comply with the requirements of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). She stated that the multi-year accessibility plan must be reviewed and updated at least once every five years with annual status reports on the progress of the implementation of accessibility strategies. Jennifer Miller advised that the report contains the 2014 Plan which reflects work completed to achieve obligations under AODA for that year. She spoke of various requirements which include resources, manuals, tip-sheets, operational procedures, renovations and new buildings meeting accessibility needs of students and staff, and requirements for new play spaces to consider needs of children and care-givers. Jennifer Miller commented that AODA will be in its 10th year of implementation in 2015 and advised that principals will have the opportunity to select articles to be included in newsletters. She added that where possible, accessibility awareness will be incorporated in the curriculum. Chair Green commended the work done by the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

7. Accessibility Plan Status Report 2014 (Continued)

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

That, the Accessibility Plan Status Report - 2014, on the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan: Peel District School Board, January 2013 - December 2017, be approved. (APPENDIX III)

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8. Extension of Implementation Date for the Springdale Public School Boundary Change

Dave Dundas, Manager of Planning Services, reviewed background information for extension of implementation date for Springdale Public School boundary change. He advised that enrolment and capacity will be reviewed as part of the Annual Planning Document process and brought to the Board in Fall 2015.

PB-15, moved by Harkirat Singh, that the report re Extension of Implementation Date for the Springdale Public School Boundary Change, be received.

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9. Tender Activity Report

PB-16, moved by Carrie Andrews, that the Tender Activity Report for November 26, 2014 to December 24, 2014, be received.

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10. Vandalism Report

PB-17, moved by Carrie Andrews, that the Vandalism Report for November 2014, be received.

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11. Question Period

Trustee Singh thanked the administration for the extension of implementation date for the Springdale Public School boundary change, commenting that the community will be appreciative.

12. Public Question Period

There were no public questions.

13. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-18, moved by Suzanne Nurse, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Tender Activity Report for November 26, 2014 to December 24, 2014; Brameast#6 Public School – Transfer of Easement to Hydro One Brampton, and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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14. Adjournment

PB-19, moved by Stan Cameron, that the meeting adjourn (18:45 hours).

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