

January 27, 2015
Regular Meeting of the Board:ma

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, January 27, 2015 at 19:45 hours.

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair	David Green
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair	Sue Lawton
Carrie Andrews	Brad MacDonald
Stan Cameron	Kathy McDonald
Robert Crocker	Harkirat Singh
Nokha Dakroub	Rick Williams

Student Trustee:

Trevor Sookraj, Student Trustee South

Administration:

Tania Alatishe-Charles, 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
Ted Byers, Superintendent of Education
Jan Courtin, Superintendent of Education
Patrika Daws, Superintendent of Education
Jeff deFreitas, Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction Support Services
Wendy Dowling, Superintendent of Education, Early Years
Anthony Edwards, Superintendent of Education
Ina Fournier, Superintendent of Education
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
Poleen Grewal, 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
Shawn Moynihan, Superintendent of Education
Janice Mueller, Executive Assistant
David Neale, Controller, Corporate Support Services
Patricia Noble, Superintendent of Education
Tony Pontes, Director of Education
Patricia Rossall, Superintendent of Education
Louise Sirisko, Superintendent, Special Education Support Services
Carol Speers, Superintendent of Education, Alternative Programs
Shirley-Ann Teal, Coordinating Superintendent
Joy Uniac, Superintendent of Education

Administration (Continued):

Joe Weinberg, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services

Marina Amin, 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 1.1 Special Presentation re Premier's Accepting Schools Awards (background information circulated)

Item 3.3 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, January 13, 2015 (revised page circulated)

Resolution No. 15-31 moved by Harkirat Singh
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

..... carried
(2/3rds' majority)

3. Special Presentation to Winners of the 2013-2014 Premier's Accepting Schools Awards: Agnes Taylor Public School, Stanley Mills Public School, Erindale Secondary School

Chair McDougald reported that three Peel schools namely, Agnes Taylor Public School, Erindale Secondary School and Stanley Mills Public School, are recipients of the 2013-2014 Premier's Award for Safe and Accepting Schools, and she congratulated these schools on their achievement. She noted that the Premier's Award recognizes up to 11 Safe School teams who have demonstrated initiative and leadership in creating a safe and inclusive environment.

Bringing greetings from the Premier of Ontario and Minister Sandals, Carolyn Anco, a representative from the Ministry of Education, expressed appreciation for the outstanding work done by the three Peel schools during the 2013-2014 school year, to promote safe and accepting schools in their communities.

3. Special Presentation to Winners of the 2013-2014 Premier's Award for Accepting Schools: Agnes Taylor Public School, Stanley Mills Public School, Erindale Secondary School (Continued)

Kelly Krug, Climate for Learning and Working Coordinator, invited Trustees Green and McDonald, and Superintendent of Education, Hazel Mason to present the award to the Principal of Agnes Taylor Public School, Dave Yaciuk, and the school's Climate for Learning and Working team. Kelly Krug spoke about the safe and accepting school team's focus on parent engagement, mental health and anti-bullying initiatives, and the positive impact of these initiatives.

Kelly Krug noted that, with a diverse student population, including aboriginal students and students with developmental disabilities, Erindale Secondary School experienced varying challenges trying to create a more inclusive school culture and compassionate learning environment. The school promoted integration and character development, and an outreach program with a local First Nations School. Trustee MacDonald, Superintendents of Education, Patricia Rossall and Wendy Dowling, presented the awards to Principal Sandra Trupp and former Principal, Sue Turner, and the Climate for Learning and Working team of Erindale Secondary School.

Kelly Krug invited Trustee Singh and Superintendent of Education, Pat Noble to present the awards to Stanley Mills Public School. She stated that the school has a high Social Risk Index, with 76% students being English Language Learners. Kelly Krug spoke about the student leadership program that supports positive student behaviour and recognizes and focuses on student strength. The focus on parent involvement has increased parent attendance at school council meetings over the last three years. The Climate for Learning and Working team, along with Principal Paul Fiorini, were invited to receive their awards. On behalf of the Climate for Learning and Working team, Kelly Krug thanked the Board for its support in this regard.

Chair McDougald expressed appreciation for the effort and work put in to develop the various initiatives that have helped to promote a caring and safe environment for students to learn and be successful.

4. Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**5. Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting, December 17, 2014
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, January 13, 2015**

Referring to Question Period of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board held on January 13, 2015, Chair McDougald provided clarifying information regarding the response provided by the administration with respect to the survey and consultation that the Ministry required on the sex education component of the revised Health and Physical Education curriculum. She stated that the Ministry had created the survey and directed school boards to have one parent from each school complete the survey.

**5. Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting,
December 17, 2014
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, January 13, 2015 (Continued)**

Chair McDougald indicated that the Board initially asked school principals to identify a member of their school council to answer the survey, and subsequently recommended that the school council chair complete the survey. The parent was provided with the link to the Ministry website which included a password, and which required the parent to fill out the survey online and submit it within the deadline. Chair McDougald stated that the minutes will be amended to include the clarifying information to ensure accuracy for the record.

Resolution No. 15-32 moved by Sue Lawton
seconded by Carrie Andrews

Resolved:

1. That, the Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting, held December 17, 2014, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held January 13, 2015, as amended, be approved.

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(2/3rds' majority)

6. Written Questions

There were no written questions.

7. Notices of Motion and Petitions

There were no notices of motion or petitions.

8. Special Section for Receipt

1. Retirements

Resolution No. 15-33 moved by Robert Crocker
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the following items, be received:

1. Retirements

Kendra Blair Gillmoure	Roger Gallant	Heather Richardson-Mowat
Kevin Dobson	Dianne Gray	Craig Turner
Raymond Donatelli	Michael Mardus	Marion Vincent
Barbara Fraser	Angel Polinario	Gail Whyte

8. Special Section for Receipt (Continued)

2. Letter from the Chair of Peel DSB to the Minister of Education regarding parent concerns with respect to the new Physical and Health Education Curriculum.

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With respect to Item 8.2, Letter from the Chair of Peel DSB to the Minister of Education about the new Physical and Health Education Curriculum, Vice-Chair Nurse noted that the letter captures the concerns expressed by many parents and trustees about the consultation process. Chair McDougald indicated that the response to the letter will be shared with the community, once it is received from the Ministry.

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Resolution No. 15-33 carried

9. Response to Petition re French Immersion Boundary Change at Walnut Grove Public School

At the Regular Meeting of the Board held on November 25, 2014, a petition was brought forward regarding ten families affected by the French Immersion boundary change for Walnut Grove Public School and the new Brameast #6 Public School. Chair McDougald noted that staff have spent considerable time to ensure accuracy of the report, and the need for the boundary changes.

Resolution No. 15-34 moved by Rick Williams
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that the Response to the Petition re the French Immersion boundary change at Walnut Grove Public School, be received.

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10. Response to Delegation by Tajinder Dhadwar re French Immersion Boundary Change for Ingleborough Public School

At the Regular Meeting of the Board held on December 9, 2014, Tajinder Dhadwar delegated the Board regarding the French Immersion boundary change for Ingleborough Public School.

Chair McDougald provided clarification regarding Board process with respect to moving and seconding reports for receipt or approval by trustees.

Resolution No. 15-35 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the Response to the Delegation of Tajinder Dhadwar re French Immersion boundary change for Ingleborough Public School, be received.

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15. 2012 Secondary French Immersion Review – Follow-up Report

Resolution No. 15-40

moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Kathy McDonald

Resolved, that students attending the French Immersion (FI) program at Humberview Secondary School, living within the boundary area designated for Mayfield Secondary School, be deemed eligible for transportation effective September 2015.

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A trustee thanked the administration for bringing the above-noted recommendation to the Board for consideration, stating that this is the result of one of the recommendations of the French Immersion Review – Secondary Committee to report back by January 2015, regarding the issue of equity of access to programs for students living on the west side of Caledon. He spoke about the challenges faced by students who want to attend the French Immersion program at Humberview Secondary School, but cannot do so due to the absence of public transit in the Town of Caledon and the distance involved. He indicated that administration has brought forward this recommendation because of Peel's commitment to equity and inclusion, and to provide reasonable accommodation if a need is identified in advance.

A trustee highlighted that students from Caledon are currently accessing regional programs at Mayfield Secondary School, and he indicated his inability to support the motion for transportation to be provided for the FI program. He expressed concerns about the impact this would have on students attending other regional programs across Peel, and he requested that the motion be deferred to the next Board Meeting for trustees to obtain more clarification that will enable an informed decision.

Another trustee voiced the need to explore busing for all FI secondary schools, and analyze cost implications. He also queried the fact that if all Caledon students were provided busing due to the absence of public transit, this would lead to additional expense to the Board, and he asked that the cost implications involved in this recommendation be provided by the administration.

The student trustee expressed support for the recommendation in the interest of equity of access to programs, and he spoke of some of the transportation challenges faced by secondary school students trying to access regional programs. Responding to a trustee's question, Chair McDougald clarified that the students living in the boundary area of Mayfield Secondary School qualify for busing, but they need to be driven further at an approximate cost of \$80,000 to access the FI program at Humberview Secondary School.

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15. 2012 Secondary French Immersion Review – Follow - up Report (Continued)

A trustee requested that the recommendation be deferred to a timeline longer than the next Board Meeting.

Resolution No. 15-41 moved by David Green
seconded by Sue Lawton

Resolved that, Resolution No. 15-40 be deferred to the February 24, 2015 Regular Meeting of the Board, pending an administrative report in response to trustees' questions regarding the recommendation.

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Chair McDougald commented on the complexities and far-reaching implications involved with this recommendation. She requested trustees to forward their questions by the end of this week to the Executive Assistant, Janice Mueller, and she stated that a comprehensive report responding to the queries will be brought back to the Board on February 24, 2015.

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Resolution No. 15-41 carried

Resolution No. 15-40 deferred
(to the February 24, 2015
Regular Meeting of the Board)

16. Programs for International Students – Progress Update

Associate Director Moreash provided an update report on the progress and success of programs for international students in Peel. He stated that the report speaks to rebranding the name of the program, as, in the past, reference would have been made to the Peel Academy for International Students, where all students were accommodated at Clarkson Secondary School. However, he noted, Clarkson Secondary School is reaching capacity for international students, and it is necessary to expand the program to another location. Applewood Heights Secondary School will begin offering this program as of September 2015. In view of the expansion, Scott Moreash advised that it is necessary to revise the name of the program to Peel Schools for International Education.

Associate Director Moreash reported that overseas recruitment efforts in southeast Asia continue in China, and have expanded to Vietnam and South Korea. Potential is seen in the South American market, in particular Brazil. In terms of finance, it was noted that the program is self-sustaining and brings in a profit to the Board on an annual basis.

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19. Public Question Period

There were no public questions.

20. Private Session

Resolution No. 15-44 moved by Sue Lawton
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the Board move into Private Session (21:00 hours).

The Board moved back into Open Session on a motion by Trustee McDougald (21:30 hours).

21. Adoption of the In Committee Report

Resolution No. 15-40 moved by Brad MacDonald
seconded by Harkirat Singh

Resolved, that the report of the In Committee Session regarding: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), held January 13, 2015; Update on Secondary Staffing; Graduation Rates (oral); Director’s Report re Trustee Orientation Session; Minutes of the Human Resources and Negotiations Advisory Committee, December 15, 2014; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), January 13, 2015; Retirements; Elementary Principal Assignments and Appointments; Elementary Vice-Principal Appointments, and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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22. Adjournment

Resolution No. 15-46 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the meeting adjourn (21:35 hours).

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RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN IN COMMITTEE SESSION – JANUARY 27, 2015

Members present:

Janet McDougald, Chair
Suzanne Nurse, Vice-Chair
Carrie Andrews
Stan Cameron
Robert Crocker
Nokha Dakroub

David Green
Sue Lawton
Brad MacDonald
Kathy McDonald
Harkirat Singh
Rick Williams

Student Trustees:

Trevor Sookraj, 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 13, 2015

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), held January 13, 2015, be approved.

3. Update on Secondary Staffing

That, the update report re Secondary Staffing, be received.

4. Graduation Rates

That, the oral report re Graduation Rates, be received.

5. Director's Report

1. Trustee Orientation Session

That, the Director's Report re Trustee Information Session, be received.

Part B (Not including Student Trustees)

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

**2. Minutes of the Human Resources and Negotiations Advisory Committee,
December 15, 2014
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B),
January 13, 2015**

1. That, the Minutes of the Human Resources and Negotiations Advisory Committee, held December 15, 2014, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee - Part B), held January 13, 2015, be approved.

3. Retirements

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

4. Elementary Principal Assignments and Appointments

That, the following elementary principal assignments, effective March 23, 2015, be received:

Annesia Khan from Principal at Dolphin Senior Public School to Principal at Birchbank Public School

Philip Wilson from Principal at McBride Avenue Public School to Principal at Dolphin Senior Public School

Michael Odd from Principal at Allan Drive Middle School to Principal at Belfountain Public School

Lee Partridge from Principal at Shaw Public School to Principal at McBride Avenue Public School

That, the following elementary principal appointments, effective March 23, 2015, be received:

Sara Damaso from Vice-Principal at Ingleborough Public School to Principal at Ridgeview Public School

Felicia Hiscock from Vice-Principal at Sir Winston Churchill Public School to Principal at Allan Drive Middle School

Sally Ann Gibson from Vice-Principal at Cherrytree Public School to Principal at Shaw Public School

5. Elementary Vice-Principal Appointments

That, the following elementary vice-principal appointment, effective March 2, 2015, be received:

Julia Amyotte from Teacher at Walnut Grove Public School to Vice-Principal at Queen Street Public School

That, the following elementary vice-principal appointments, effective March 23, 2015, be received:

Ian Clark from .5 Acting Vice-Principal and .5 Teacher at Ingleborough Public School to Vice-Principal at Ingleborough Public School

Anna Taormina from Elmbank Junior Middle Academy, Toronto District School Board, to Vice-Principal at Gordon Graydon Senior Public School

Margo Reid from Rivercrest Junior School, Toronto District School Board, to Vice-Principal at Sir Winston Churchill Public School

Vida Gardener from Westmount Junior School, Toronto District School Board, to Vice-Principal at Cherrytree Public School