

March 27, 2018
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, March 27, 2018 at 19:30 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:

Carolyn Mahr, Student Trustee South

Administration:

Tania Alatishe-Charles, Controller, Finance Support Services
Dawn Beckett-Morton, Director, Human Resources Support Services
Ted Byers, Superintendent, Special Education Support Services
Liz Cook, Acting Superintendent of Education
Paul Da Silva, Superintendent of Education
Jeff deFreitas, Superintendent of Education
Lawrence De Maeyer, Acting Superintendent of Education
Wendy Dowling, Associate Director, School Support Services
Anthony Edwards, Superintendent of Education, Alternative Programs
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
Adrian Graham, Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Support Services
Poleen Grewal, Associate Director, Instructional and Equity Support Services
Mark Haarmann, Superintendent of Leadership Development and School Support Services
John Hartzema, Controller of Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Adam Hughes, Chief Information Officer
Nina Jaiswal, Superintendent of Education
Peter Joshua, Director of Education
Michael Logue, Superintendent of Education
Matthew McCutcheon, Acting Superintendent of Education
Janice Mueller, Executive Assistant
Patricia Noble, Superintendent of Education
Carla Pereira, Director, Communications and Community Relations Support Services
Jamie Robertson, Superintendent of Education
Gale Solomon-Henry, Superintendent of Education
Michelle Stubbings, Superintendent of Education
Thomas Tsung, Controller, Corporate Support Services
Darren Van Hooydonk, Superintendent of Education

Nicole Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. Open Session

The Open Session commenced with the singing of O Canada, and acknowledgement that the meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation.

2. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Dakroub read a notice of motion and requested that notice be waived and the motion discussed at this meeting. The following items were added to the agenda:

- Item 7.1 Late Request to Delegate: Danielle Dowdy re Counting on You Funding
- Item 7.2 Late Request to Delegate: Kashif Ahmad Pannu re Outdoor Play Guidelines during Winter Months for Junior and Senior Kindergarten Students
- Item 9.7 Notice of Motion re Renewing Peel DSB's Commitment to the Children's Charter of Rights

Resolution No. 18-68 moved by David Green
seconded by Nokha Dakroub

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

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2/3rds' majority

3. Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

- 4. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee, February 20, 2018**
Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee, February 21, 2018
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, February 27, 2018
Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, March 6, 2018

Resolution No. 18-69 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved:

- 1. That, the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, held February 20, 2018, be received;
- 2. That, the Minutes of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee Meeting, held February 21, 2018, be received;
- 3. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held February 27, 2018, be approved;
- 4. That, the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held March 6, 2018, be received.

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5. Written Questions

Trustee Singh submitted the following questions:

- “1. Are parents paying for vision screening (non-doctors) in schools, when every child is covered under OHIP for once a year screening by an optometrist?
2. How does the model work for screening by optometrists and dentists?
3. Are other health teams asking parents to pay for services?”

6. Notices of Motion

Trustee Crocker submitted the following notice of motion:

“Be it resolved that the Peel District School Board, in conjunction with Student Transportation of Peel Region, enforce a policy requiring all buses transporting vocational and special education students to have dedicated drivers and back-up drivers.”

7. Petitions

There were no petitions.

8. Special Section for Receipt

Resolution No.18-70

moved by Sue Lawton
seconded by Carrie Andrews

Resolved, that the following items be received:

1. Retirements

Patricia Abbott	Irene Gauld	Eileen MacDougald
Paul Agius	Bill Gibbons	Sue Marks
Isa Anania	Jennifer Gladding	Valerie McDonald
Ken Apostolofski	Janet Henderson	Susan Ogurian
Shiela Apostolofski	Elaine Horne	Jan Paige
Deanna Belvedere	Bill Howell	Robert Pasemko
Jim Biggar	Frances Humphreys	Carolyn Pettipas
John Burgess	Sue Hunt	Barbara Pugh
Marie Burnett	Sylvia Jacobsen	Lynda Reed
Joyce Callachan	Marie-Eva Jones	Bernie Schmidt
Michele Cavanagh	Pinysamy Kathapurmal	Susan Somerset
Vernon Chilton	Beth Kavanagh	Carolyn Ste. Croix
Sharyl Cohen	Ann Killin	Victoria Vanschepen
Velda Dalley	Sue Laidlaw	Jane Ward
Ferida Danyal	Laurie Lemieux	Catherine Westerberg
Martin Gaistman	Marylou Ling	Jeffrey Wilkinson
Maria Garcia	Catherine Lord	

8. Special Section for Receipt (Continued)

2. Good News (Student Bianca Matthews from Turner Fenton Secondary School appointed to the 2018-2019 Minister of Education's Student Advisory Council)

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9. Delegation of Kashif Ahmad Pannu re Outdoor Play Guidelines during Winter Months for Junior and Senior Kindergarten Students

Kashif Ahmad Pannu delegated the Board, using a PowerPoint presentation, which he had forwarded to the administration ahead of the meeting. Indicating that he is a school council member, he stated that he is delegating with regard to the time spent outdoors by junior and senior kindergarten students when it is extremely cold. Referring to current guidelines, Kashif Ahmad Pannu reported that, when the outside temperature is -20 degrees Celsius or below, the amount of time spent outdoors is reduced, and children are kept indoors when the temperature is -25 degrees Celsius or colder. He stated that these guidelines are founded on principles of safety, but expressed the opinion that they should consider that very young children have lower energy, lower immune systems, less tolerance to extreme weather, and lower levels of hygiene. They may not communicate or express themselves and depend on teachers or parents to take care of them. Kashif Ahmad Pannu requested changes to the guidelines such that, when the outside temperature is -10 degrees Celsius, the amount of time children in Grade 1 and under spend outdoors is reduced, and children are kept indoors when the temperature is -12 degrees Celsius or colder. He spoke of changes in outdoor activities currently permitted in schools and the effects of cold weather on young children. Remarking that separate outdoor play guidelines in extreme weather for junior and senior kindergarten will not impact school operations, he highlighted instances of different rules for kindergarten children.

In response to trustees' questions of clarification, Kashif Ahmad Pannu suggested that experts can study the effects of extreme weather on young children to develop revised guidelines, and he suggested that the information on Peel Health website may be for adults. He stated that parents could choose that their children remain outdoors for longer or shorter durations. Chair McDougald indicated that a response to the delegation will be brought to the next Regular Meeting of the Board.

10. Delegation of Danielle Dowdy re Counting on You Funding

The item was reordered to facilitate the delegation's attendance. Danielle Dowdy provided notes to the administration prior to her delegation. She stated that she is delegating the Board to speak about her concerns with regard to the Counting on You program funding. She reported that her nephew signed up for the Counting on You program for Grade 9 Mathematics in the previous semester but, due to lack of enrolment, the program was cancelled. Danielle Dowdy indicated that she was told that the at least 12 students must be enrolled to run the program. She stated that this semester, the student has signed up for Grade 9 Science and once again there is insufficient enrolment.

12. Recommendations of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee, February 21, 2018

At a meeting of the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee, held February 21, 2018, there were no recommendations to the Board.

Resolution No. 18-72 moved by Carrie Andrews
seconded by Robert Crocker

Resolved, that the report regarding the Instructional Programs/Curriculum Committee's receipt of the following information, be received:

1. Reports / Information Received

Celebrating Faith and Culture Charts for February and March 2018; Terms of Reference; Peel DSBs Role in Supporting Students/Families Living in Poverty: Part 2 – Poverty Indicators; Peel Alternative School Amalgamation; We Rise Together Thirteen Schools Pilot.

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13. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, March 6, 2018

Resolution No. 18-73 moved by David Green
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that the following recommendation arising from the Physical Planning and Building Committee meeting, held March 6, 2018, be approved:

1. Enrolment Cap at Churchville Public School - Redirection to Copeland and Fletcher's Creek Senior Public Schools

- i) That, a classroom cap of 44 classes at Churchville Public School, be approved;
- ii) That, Churchville Public School students exceeding the cap be re-directed to Copeland Public School for Kindergarten-Grade 5 and to Fletcher's Creek Senior Public School for Grades 6-8.
(Appendix I, as attached to the Minutes)

2. Reports / Information Received

Terms of Reference - Physical Planning and Building Committee; Upcoming Changes to the Construction Lien Act; Application Status Update; Tender Activity Report for January 24, 2018 to February 22, 2018; Vandalism Report for December 2017.

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14. Trustee Distribution

Resolution No. 18-74 moved by Suzanne Nurse
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the Trustee Distribution for the December 2018 to November 15, 2022 term of office for members of the Peel District School Board, be as follows: (APPENDIX I)

1. That, in accordance with Section 4(1) of Regulation 412/00, the Peel District School Board, being a high density Board, does not designate any municipality within its jurisdiction as a low population municipality.
2. That, the Peel District School Board's allocation of 12 trustees be distributed as follows:

Caledon	1
Brampton	5
Mississauga	6

3. That the ward assignments for the six City of Mississauga trustees be:

Wards	1 and 7
Wards	2 and 8
Wards	3 and 4
Ward	5
Wards	6 and 11
Wards	9 and 10

4. That the ward assignments for the five City of Brampton trustees be:

Wards	1 and 5
Wards	2 and 6
Wards	3 and 4
Wards	7 and 8
Wards	9 and 10

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15. Second Quarterly Financial Reports as at February 28, 2018

Trustees perused the above-noted report. Chair McDougald drew attention to the Summary of Other School Board Grants and noted that school boards receive these funds during the course of the year, which are separate from the Grants for Student Needs. Controller of Finance Support Services, Tania Alatishe-Charles indicated that the statement shows total amounts received, to date expenditure, and balance yet to be spent. She explained that the funds have different spending deadlines, and a roll-over to the next year can be applied to certain unused amounts, but the funds cannot be rolled into normal operating expenses. She added that they can be used only for the designated purpose and, on the end date, a report is required to be submitted on its use.

15. Second Quarterly Financial Reports as at February 28, 2018 (Continued)

Resolution No. 18-75 moved by Harkirat Singh
seconded by Carrie Andrews

Resolved, that the Second Quarterly Financial Reports as at February 28, 2018, be received.

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16. Notice of Motion re Renewing Peel DSB's Commitment to the Peel Children's Charter of Rights

Resolution No. 18-76 moved by Nokha Dakroub
seconded by Kathy McDonald

Resolved, that the Peel District School Board renew its commitment to the Peel Children's Charter of Rights, first endorsed by the Board in 2007.

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Trustee Dakroub read the motion, and remarked that the Board is committed to continuing its important work with children. She acknowledged Catherine Sople, who was present in the audience, for her work and advocacy with regard to children in the Region of Peel. Chair McDougald confirmed that a number of agencies and levels of government also support the Children's Charter of Rights. A trustee thanked Catherine Sople for her work with marginalized students and children living in poverty.

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Resolution No. 18-76 carried

17. Ontario Public School Boards' Association – OPSBA Connects

Resolution No. 18-77 moved by Robert Crocker
seconded by David Green

Resolved, that the following reports be received:

- OPSBA Connects – February 27, 2018
- OPSBA Connects – March 19, 2018

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18. Response to Written Question re Breakfast Programs

Trustee McDonald thanked Associate Director of School Support Services, Wendy Dowling, for the response

Resolution No. 18-78 moved by Kathy McDonald
seconded by Rick Williams

Resolved, that the response to a written question by Trustee McDonald regarding Breakfast Programs, be received.

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19. Response to Written Question by Trustee Green re Student Statistics

Resolution No. 18-79 moved by David Green
seconded by Brad MacDonald

Resolved, that the response to a written question by Trustee Green regarding student statistics, be received.

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20. Reports from Trustee Representatives on Councils/Associations

Trustee Green asked trustees to forward to him any questions or issues that they would like brought forward at next week's OPSBA meeting.

21. Comments or Questions from Board Members

Trustee Singh referred to the delegation of Kashif Ahmad Pannu regarding outdoor play guidelines during winter months for junior and senior kindergarten students (Item 9 of these Minutes), and commented that input from Peel Health should be sought in responding to the delegation.

Trustee Green thanked Associate Director of Instructional Support Services, Poleen Grewal, and the administration of Turner Fenton Secondary School for the excellent and impactful partnership meeting on March 26, 2018 on the We Rise Together Action Plan. He stated that this is evidence of the good work being done by the Board.

Trustee Cameron spoke about the redirection of Kindergarten to Grade 6 students from Creditview Public School to Belfountain Public School, which has been positively received. Reporting that Belfountain Public School received a \$12,000 Eco Grant, which was used to purchase beehives, he outlined the work done at the school with the beehives.

Vice-Chair Nurse thanked the administration for their work on the Empowering Modern Learners Parent Conference, held on March 25, 2018, which was a great success.

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22. Public Question Period

There were no questions.

23. Adoption of the In Committee Report

Resolution No. 18-80 moved by Carrie Andrews
seconded by Sue Lawton

Resolved, that the report of the In Committee Session regarding: Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee) Meeting, March 6, 2018; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), February 27, 2018; Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), March 6, 2018; Board By-Law Suspension; Director’s Report re School Resource Officer Program; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), February 27, 2018; Resignations; Retirements; Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act: Record of Employees’ 2017 Salaries and Benefits, and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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24. Adjournment

Resolution No. 18-81 moved by Brad MacDonald
seconded by David Green

Resolved, that the meeting adjourn (20:25 hours).

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..... Chair Secretary

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RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN IN COMMITTEE SESSION – MARCH 27, 2018

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:

Carolyn Mahr, Student Trustee South

Part A

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

2. Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee) Meeting, March 6, 2018 Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), February 27, 2018

1. That the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee) Meeting held March 6, 2018, be received;
2. That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), held February 27, 2018, be approved.

3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), March 6, 2018

That, the information about the Physical Planning and Building Committee's (In Committee) receipt of the following items, be received:

1. Reports / Information Received

Tender Activity Report for January 24, 2018 to February 22, 2018.

4. Board By-Law Suspension

That, for the purposes of the discipline hearing originally scheduled on March 26, 2018, now to be held on a future date yet to be determined, the portion of Board By-Law E-9, "The quorum of the Discipline Committee is any five Board Members" be suspended, and that the Discipline Committee for this hearing be authorized to comprise no more than three Board members, exclusive of a Committee Chair, who will exercise and perform powers and duties on behalf of the Board for suspension and expulsion hearings, in accordance with the Education Act. (Appendix I as attached to the Minutes)

5. Director's Report

1. School Resource Officer Program

That, the Director's oral report re School Resource Officer Program, be received.

Part B (Not including Student Trustees)

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, be approved.

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), February 27, 2018

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), held February 27, 2018, 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. Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act

That, the report re Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act: Record of Employees' 2017 Salaries and Benefits, be received.