

May 10, 2016
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, May 10, 2016, at 19:40 hours.

Members present:

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

Nokha Dakroub
Sue Lawton
Kathy McDonald
Harkirat Singh
Rick Williams

Member absent: (apologies received)

Brad MacDonald

Student Trustee:

Arunoshi Singh, Student Trustee North

Administration:

Tania Alatishe-Charles, Controller, Finance Support Services
Dawn Beckett-Morton, Director, Human Resources Support Services
Shelley Bortolotto, Assistant Director, Human Resources Support Services
Ted Byers, Superintendent, Special Education Support Services
Patrika Daws, Superintendent of Education
Paul Da Silva, Acting Superintendent of Education
Jeff deFreitas, Coordinating Superintendent
Wendy Dowling, Superintendent of Education, Early Years
Anthony Edwards, Superintendent of Education
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
Adrian Graham, Superintendent of Education
Mark Haarmann, Superintendent of Education
Adam Hughes, Chief Information Officer
Michael Logue, Superintendent of Education
Hazel Mason, Superintendent of Education
Pertia Minott, Superintendent of Education
Scott Moreash, Associate Director, Instructional Support Services
Janice Mueller, Executive Assistant
David Neale, Controller, Corporate Support Services
Tony Pontes, Director of Education
Jamie Robertson, Acting Superintendent of Education
Patricia Rossall, Superintendent of Education
Gale Solomon-Henry, Superintendent of Education
Joy Uniack, Superintendent of Education

Administration: (Continued)

Joe Weinberg, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Brian Woodland, Director, Communications and Community Relations Support Services
Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services

Marina Amin, Board Reporter

1. Open Session

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

2. Approval of Agenda

The following items were circulated:

Item 6.1 a) Retirements (Addendum)

Item 9.3 Appointment of two Trustees (and two alternates) to the OPSBA Board of Directors: June 2016 – June 2017 (revised report)

Resolution No. 16-111 moved by Carrie Andrews
seconded by Sue Lawton

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

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(2/3rds' majority)

3. Special Presentation by Shari Lynn Ladanchuk, Executive Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel

Introducing Shari Lynn Ladanchuk, Executive Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel, Jim Van Buskirk, Chief Social Worker, highlighted the Board's long-standing partnership of twenty years with Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Peel Region.

Shari Lynn Ladanchuk expressed appreciation for the partnership with the Board since 1996, which includes twelve years of in-school mentoring. In recognition of Peel's involvement in the "Power of the Hour" Mentoring Program, a plaque was presented to the Chair of the Board, Janet McDougald, and Director of Education, Tony Pontes. Using a slide presentation, Shari Lynn Ladanchuk reported on highlights from the last year, including: support to 1650 children and youth in a core mentoring program; in-school mentoring to 103 children in 50 schools, and 47 new matches made; service to 84 elementary students in the Teen Mentoring Program; developing 91 secondary school mentors as program leaders. She stated that at this time of the year, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel reaches out to new school mentors, and she expressed the hope that many new volunteers will respond when Director Pontes sends out a communication with the appeal.

3. Special Presentation by Shari Lynn Ladanchuk, Executive Director, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel (Continued)

Shari Lynn Ladanchuk advised that the annual picnic will be held on May 28, 2016, and noted that this event provides a good opportunity for bonding. A video was then displayed depicting an interview with a Peel trustee, also an alumni mentor, who shared his positive experiences of volunteering in the "Power of the Hour" mentoring program, that benefits both, the mentor and mentee. He summed up his experience of the mentoring program with the quote "in the joy of others lies our own."

Trustees speaking expressed appreciation for the partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel, and highlighted the supports to children, and positive outcomes of the many programs offered. Chair McDougald thanked Shari Lynn Ladanchuk for her informative presentation, and commented positively on the expansion of projects to meet the needs of the community.

4. Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

5. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, April 26, 2016

Resolution No. 16-112 moved by David Green
seconded by Carrie Andrews

Resolved, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board, held April 26, 2016, be approved.

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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

Resolution No.16-113 moved by Suzanne Nurse
seconded by Stan Cameron

Resolved, that the following items, be received:

1. Retirements

Katherine Ball	Betty Milne	Meena Shah
Lesley Bruce	Connie Monaco	Gary Snider
Juanita Craig	Thomas Moon	Ardith Symmes
Oksana Duma	Maura Morrison	Heather Troup
Catherine Farrow	Sabine Orchard	Poul Von Bulow
Mirjana Glavan	Kelly Orser	Milota Weinwurm
Stuart Hilton	Lily Pong	Susan Whaley
Denyse Krizmanich	Rob Rhamey	Bonnie Whan
Marion Lookman	June Saytar-Manacki	Lionel Klotz
Brooks Masterton	Cathy Semler	Brian Malott

2. Good News (Jim Van Buskirk, Chief Social Worker on his 30th marathon)

3. Letter from UNICEF Canada thanking the Board for continued support

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Arising from Item 8.2, Good News, a trustee congratulated Jim Van Buskirk on the completion of his 30th marathon. He also referred to the letter from UNICEF Canada, Item 8.3, noting that it confirms the Board's commitment to support and empower all children, not just in Peel, to create a better future for themselves. Chair McDougald also congratulated Jim Van Buskirk on his achievement.

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Resolution No.16-113 carried

9. Delegation by David Laing re Bike Brampton

Using a PowerPoint presentation and speaking notes that were provided to the administration prior to the delegation, David Laing, a member of Bike Brampton, updated the Board on the progress made on the Brampton Kids on Bikes project. He thanked Trustee McDonald for attending the Action Group Committee meeting earlier today, and recalled his request made a year ago, for the Board's support to help children move actively to school. David Laing highlighted the Healthy Schools Partnership Declaration signed between Peel Public Health and school boards, and he spoke about the Peel Safe and Active Routes to Schools Committee's framework and vision for active transportation in Peel schools. He also provided details about several programs implemented in the past year to increase the rate of walking and biking, including the pedometer challenge, bike to school week, installation of bike racks, and he noted that one school experienced a 400% increase in the number of children biking to school.

9. Delegation by David Laing re Bike Brampton (Continued)

David Laing outlined plans to implement wellness programs such as school travel planning within selected families of schools, and his expectation of operational success if school boards were to identify a health and wellness champion in each school who would work with Peel Public Health to implement programs for each school's unique health needs. Chair McDougald thanked David Laing for his progress update report, and she highlighted the importance of building parent confidence in the safety of biking to school, and she assured the delegation of the Board's continued support.

10. Delegation by Manjinder Deol and Vinnay Tailor re Boundary Change for Churchville Public School

Manjinder Deol and Vinnay Tailor delegated the Board from speaking notes that were submitted to the administration prior to the delegation. Manjinder Deol thanked the Board for the opportunity to present his concerns regarding the boundary change for Churchville Public School which has resulted in his children having to move to Eldorado Public School as of September 2016. He spoke of challenges that an earlier dismissal time at Eldorado Public School would pose for his child, in view of his current work schedule, which he had negotiated to coincide with the dismissal time of Churchville Public School. In view of these concerns, Manjinder Deol requested that an exception be made to allow his child to remain at Churchville Public School, which is a seven minute walk from his residence.

Vinnay Tailor, who resides in the same area, also presented his concerns about not being able to pick up his child due to the dismissal time at Eldorado Public School, being one hour earlier than the dismissal time at Churchville Public School. He also indicated that his child bikes to Churchville Public School, but that riding to Eldorado Public School will not be feasible due to unsafe road conditions. In view of these challenges, Vinnay Tailor also requested the Board to make an exception for his child to remain in Churchville Public School. Chair McDougald thanked the delegation for bringing their concerns to the Board and stated that a response will be provided at the next Regular Meeting of the Board.

11. Response to Delegation of Serge Benitah re the French Immersion Boundary Change for Ridgeway Public School and Morton Way Public School

At the Regular Meeting of the Board held April 26, 2016, Serge Benitah delegated the Board regarding the French Immersion boundary changes for Ridgeway and Morton Way Public Schools, effective September 2016.

Resolution No. 16-114

moved by Kathy McDonald
seconded by Robert Crocker

Resolved, that the response to the delegation of Serge Benitah re the French Immersion Boundary Change for Ridgeway Public School and Morton Way Public School, be received.

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12. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, May 3, 2016

Resolution No. 16-115 moved by David Green
seconded by Nokha Dakroub

Resolved, that the following recommendations arising from a meeting of the Physical Planning and Building Committee, held May 3, 2016, be approved:

1. Ministry's Schools-First Child Care Capital Retrofit Policy – Update

That, a new child care centre at each of the following schools: Caledon Central Public School, Red Willow Public School, and Mountain Ash Public School, be approved. (Appendix I, as attached to the Minutes)

2. Reports / Information Received

Pupil Accommodation Review – Update; Annual Planning Document – Update; Southfields Village #2 Public School: Expropriation, Town of Caledon – Update; Tender Activity Report – March 22, 2016 to April 18, 2016; Vandalism Report for February 2016; Schedule of 2016-2017 Physical Planning and Building Committee Meetings.

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13. Appointment of two Trustees (and two alternates) to the Ontario Public School Boards' Association Board of Directors: June 2016 – June 2017

At the Regular Meeting of the Board, held April 26, 2016, the Board received notice that two trustees and two alternates will be appointed at this meeting to serve on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) for the 2016-2017 period (from the 2016 Annual General Meeting to the 2017 Annual General Meeting).

Chair McDougald called for nominations.

Sue Lawton nominated Carrie Andrews as Director
Stan Cameron nominated Rick Williams as Director

Suzanne Nurse nominated David Green as alternate
David Green nominated Suzanne Nurse as alternate

There were no further nominations. Chair McDougald declared that Trustees Andrews and Williams are appointed to serve as Peel's representatives on the Board of Directors of OPSBA, with Trustees Nurse and Green as their alternates, for the 2016-2017 period.

14. Board Meeting Schedule: 2016-2017 School Year

The above-noted report lists all the Regular Meetings scheduled for the 2016 – 2017 school year. Chair McDougald indicated that there are a few exceptions to holding the meeting on Tuesday, in view of recognized faith days falling on that day.

Resolution No. 16-116 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Kathy McDonald

Resolved, that the revised schedule of Board Meeting dates for the 2016 – 2017 School Year, be approved. (APPENDIX I)

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15. Graduation Rates 2014 - 2015

Associate Director of Instructional Support Services, Scott Moreash, presented the results of the 2014-2015 graduation rates, and noted a continuous increase in the graduation rate for Peel. Stating that there are two calculations used, Associate Director Moreash reported that, based on Peel's criteria, the graduation rate for Peel is 92%, which is a 2% increase over last year. He noted that the report is testament to the work and support provided by staff in Peel's elementary and secondary schools, who prepare and nurture students to be successful. Associate Director Moreash indicated that the provincial graduation rate is 86%. Stating that the Ministry of Education has its own methodology for calculating the graduation rates, Scott Moreash, reported that, according to Ministry calculation, Peel's graduation rate has increased by 2% to 87%, which is one percentage point higher than the provincial average.

Chair McDougald acknowledged the hard work of staff and the Board's focus year after year on supporting and sustaining student success. She thanked and congratulated all staff for their efforts, noting that the results speak to the work done to create different pathways to learning and alternative education programs. A student trustee also expressed appreciation for the guidance, opportunities, and support provided by staff to students in Peel.

Resolution No. 16-117 moved by David Green
seconded by Robert Crocker

Resolved, that the report re Graduation Rates 2014 – 2015, be received.

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16. Reports from Ontario Public School Boards' Association

Resolution No. 16-118 moved by Carrie Andrews
seconded by Nokha Dakroub

Resolved, that the following report, be received:

- OPSBA Fast Report, Volume 28, No. 10

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17. Reports from Trustee Representatives on Councils/Associations

Trustee McDonald reported on the French Advisory Committee meeting held May 5, 2016, when some areas of priority were identified. She also reported on her discussions with the Principal of Corsair Public School about the retention of French Immersion teachers.

18. Comments or Questions from Board Members

Trustee McDonald stated that she attended the Action Group Committee for Active Transportation, and highlighted that Bike to School Week will be held from May 30 to June 3, 2016. She noted that May 19, 2016 is Volunteer Appreciation Day. She also advised that May 30, 2016 is the deadline for applying for the Parents Reaching Out (PRO) grants, and advised that she has encouraged school councils to apply.

Trustee Dakroub indicated that she attended the Eden Food for Change Hunger Awareness Breakfast on May 3, 2016, along with Trustee Crocker, when the Peel DSB was presented with a Community Partnership Award. She also reported on a petition being circulated on Change.org with respect to bringing coding into the Ontario curriculum, and that the Board will be receiving a letter in this regard.

Trustee Crocker reported on the Annual General Meeting of Volunteer MBC (Mississauga, Brampton, Caledon), noting that over 30,000 referrals were made which generated 3.5 million community service hours. He advised that the Ontario Youth Volunteer Challenge engaged approximately 8,400 youth in 390 events, which resulted in an accumulation of around 32,000 volunteer hours.

Trustee Singh expressed appreciation for the action taken to remove school sports team symbols and logos that may offend First Nations communities.

19. Public Question Period

There were no public questions.

20. Adoption of the In Committee Report

Resolution No. 16-119 moved by Nokha Dakroub
seconded by Carrie Andrews

Resolved, that the Report of the In Committee Session regarding: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), held April 26, 2016; Recommendations arising from the Physical Planning and Building Committee meeting, held May 3, 2016; Graduation Rates 2014-2015; Immunization report (oral); Director’s Report re OPSBA Overview re Bill 181; Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), held April 26, 2016; Resignations; Retirements; Secondary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017; Elementary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017; Discipline Committee of the Board Meeting Dates 2016-2017; Human Resources Negotiations and Advisory Committee Meeting Dates 2016-2017; Teacher Terminations (oral), Superintendent of Education Assignment, and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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21. Adjournment

Resolution No. 16-120 moved by Stan Cameron
seconded by Harkirat Singh

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

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..... Chair Secretary

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RESOLUTIONS APPROVED IN IN COMMITTEE SESSION – MAY 10, 2016

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

David Green
Sue Lawton
Kathy McDonald
Harkirat Singh
Rick Williams

Member absent: (apologies received)

Brad MacDonald

Student Trustee:

Arunoshi Singh, Student Trustee North

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), April 26, 2016

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part A), held April 26, 2016, be approved.

3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), May 3, 2016

That, that the following recommendations arising from the Physical Planning and Building Committee meeting, held May 3, 2016, be approved:

1. Huttonville Public School – Road Widening Land Dedication to the Region of Peel

That, a road widening dedication of approximately 467.48 m² (5,031.91 ft²) of land on the north side of Embleton Road, be granted to the Region of Peel. (Appendix I, as attached to the Minutes)

2. Huttonville Public School – Transfer of Easement to Hydro One Brampton

That, the transfer of a permanent easement of approximately 267.3 m² (2,877.19 ft²) at Huttonville Public School to Hydro One Brampton for underground cables and a transformer, be approved. (Appendix II, as attached to the Minutes)

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3. Recommendations of the Physical Planning and Building Committee (In Committee), May 3, 2016 (Continued)

3. Reports / Information Received

Combined Capital Project Status Report; Tender Activity Report – March 22, 2016 to April 18, 2016.

4. Immunization Update

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

5. Graduation Rates 2014-2015

That, the report re Graduation Rates 2014-2015, be received.

6. Director's Report

1. OPSBA Overview re Bill 181 Municipal Elections Modernization Act

That, the Director's report re OPSBA Overview re Bill 181 Municipal Elections Modernization Act, be received.

Part B (Not including Student Trustees)

1. Approval of Agenda

That, the agenda, as amended, be approved.

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), April 26, 2016

That, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board (In Committee – Part B), held April 26, 2016, be approved.

3. Resignations

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

4. Retirements

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

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5. Secondary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017

That, the report re Secondary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017, be approved. (Appendix I, as attached to the Minutes)

6. Elementary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017

That, the Elementary Principal and Vice-Principal Allocations 2016-2017, be approved. (Appendix II, as attached to the Minutes)

7. Discipline Committee of the Board Meeting Dates 2016-2017

That, the report re Discipline Committee of the Board Meeting Dates 2016-2017, be received.

8. Human Resources Negotiations and Advisory Committee Meeting Dates 2016-2017

That, the report re Human Resources Negotiations and Advisory Committee Meeting Dates 2016-2017, be received.

9. Director's Report

1. Teacher Terminations

That, the Director's report (oral) re Teacher Terminations, be received.

2. Superintendent of Education Assignment

That, the following Superintendent of Education Assignment be approved, effective August 1, 2016:

Wendy Dowling from Superintendent of Education, Early Years, to Superintendent, Leadership Development and School Support Services.