

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 Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at 18:35 hours.

Members present:

Carrie Andrews
Stan Cameron
Robert Crocker
Brad MacDonald
Janet McDougald

Trustees also present:

Sue Lawton
Suzanne Nurse
Harkirat Singh
Rick Williams

Members absent: (apologies received)

David Green, Chair
Nokha Dakroub

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)
David Neale, Controller, Corporate Support Services (Executive Back-up Member)
Tania Alatishe-Charles, Controller, Finance Support Services
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
Scott Moreash, Associate Director, Instructional Support Services
Tony Pontes, Director of Education
Gale Solomon-Henry, Superintendent of Education
Joe Weinberg, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services
Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services

Marina Amin, Board Reporter

1. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Nurse chaired the meeting in the absence of Chair Green.

PB-63, moved by Rick Williams, that the agenda, be approved.

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2. Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

3. Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, June 1, 2016

PB-64, moved by Carrie Andrews, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held June 1, 2016, be approved.

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4. STOPR - Student Transportation of Peel Region Governance Committee Minutes, March 11, 2016

Referring to information in the Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) Governance Committee Minutes, regarding Ryan's Law, a trustee asked about school bus drivers being compliant with requirements of the Act. Controller Neale responded that school bus drivers are trained on Ryan's Law, first aid and anaphylactic reactions. Another trustee asked about STOPR concerns regarding audit.

PB-65, moved by Brad MacDonald, that the STOPR - Student Transportation of Peel Region Governance Committee Minutes of a meeting held March 11, 2016, be received.

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5. Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR) - Update

Suzanne Blakeman, Senior Planner, reported that the Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) has met twice since the last update, and the first public meeting was held on June 2, 2016. The ARC met again on June 15, 2016. She reported that space audits have been completed at Gordon Graydon Memorial, Glenforest, and T.L. Kennedy Secondary Schools. A report on the findings and recommendations will be presented at the next meeting of the ARC on September 14, 2016. The second public meeting will take place on November 23, 2016, and a detailed report will be submitted to the Board in early 2017.

PB-66, moved by Janet McDougald that the update report re Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR), be received.

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6. Report on Tenders: Huttonville Public School, Major Renovation and Addition

Randy Wright, Controller of Planning and Accommodation Support Services, reviewed the proposed recommendation to approve tender for a major renovation and addition at Huttonville Public School, and he indicated that work is scheduled to commence immediately, with completion expected by end June 2017.

**6. Report on Tenders: Huttonville Public School, Major Renovation and Addition
(Continued)**

PB-67, moved by Stan Cameron, that the Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

That, the tender in the amount of \$7,539,360 including HST for the construction of Huttonville Public School, be awarded to Tambro Construction Limited.
(APPENDIX I)

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7. Application Status - Update

Controller Wright stated that the report lists the development applications applied and granted for in Mississauga and Brampton. He noted that the anticipated number of students that will be generated from the developments, if not consolidated into previous projections, will be included in the projections for the Annual Planning Document.

PB-68, moved by Harkirat Singh, that the Application Status Update report, be received.

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8. Tender Activity Report

PB-69, moved by Robert Crocker, that the Tender Activity Report for May 18, 2016 to August 25, 2016, be received.

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9. Vandalism Report

PB-70, moved by Sue Lawton that the Vandalism report for April and May 2016, be received.

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10. Property Loss Report

Referring to the fire on the roof at Port Credit Secondary School, a trustee asked about the status of recovery of the \$50,000 property deductible. Controller Neale advised that the repairs have been completed. A claim will be made against the Board's insurer for the supplies being reordered, and the property deductible will be claimed from the roofing contractor's insurer. He noted that, if this process is not successful, the Board will claim the deductible directly from the contractor.

PB-71, moved by Rick Williams, that the Property Loss Report, be received.

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11. Question Period

Trustee Cameron requested that the balanced calendar configuration be considered for the new SouthFields Village #2 Public School, stating that while Brampton has two balanced calendar schools, Mississauga and Caledon have none. He added that staff may consider air-conditioning for the school, if the balanced calendar configuration is deemed appropriate.

Trustee Crocker thanked Joe Weinberg and his team, on behalf of the residents of Wards 6 and 11 in Mississauga, for addressing concerns that were highlighted by the community over the summer months.

Trustee Lawton asked for an update on busing during the first two days of school. Responding that there were no major issues in transport operations, Controller Neale reminded trustees about additional busing for Grades 7 and 8 for new schools, and the significant number of buses transporting students to holding schools. Additionally, more vehicles have been added for special education students. He drew attention to the problems being faced by Toronto District School Board and the Dufferin-Peel Catholic DSB with shortage of drivers, noting that in Peel, the shortage has been less than 2% of the fleet. He advised that STOPR is working on a contingency plan. Controller Neale updated trustees on the Board's protocol with respect to loading and unloading of buses – Operating Procedure CSS-3. He advised that 87 children were brought back to schools because they either got off at the wrong stop or there was no parent to receive them at the stop.

Trustee Williams spoke about the late arrival of a school bus at Nahani Way Public School. He will provide further details to Controller Neale for follow-up.

Trustee Singh commented on the recent high temperatures and asked whether staff are working on a sustainable plan to deal with high temperatures in the future. Controller Weinberg stated that it would be difficult to provide a cost estimate, as several details need to be considered, such as size of the school, ventilation, duct requirements, etc. He noted that, recently, funding has been subjected to severe pressures with electricity prices soaring upward. He indicated that efforts are being made to conserve electricity, and added that, looking at the weather patterns, the number of high degree days are relatively few. During these days, efforts are made to move the air through the fan and ventilation system. Controller Weinberg explained that staff are mindful of rising temperatures and ensure students remain hydrated and in the shade. He stated that Ministry cost benchmarks do not provide for air-conditioning in schools, so the only choice left would be to provide air-conditioning at the expense of other items. A further incentive would be to make schools more energy efficient. Trustee Williams recalled a cost estimate of more than \$1 million allocated approximately eight or nine years ago for a reconfiguration plan to provide air-conditioning in some schools.

Trustee MacDonald thanked all staff who were involved in the successful opening of Hillside Public School, and expressed appreciation for the extremely well designed school.

12. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-72, moved by Janet McDougald, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Sale of Surplus Property – 1239 Lakeshore Road East, Former Lakeview Park Public School - Update; 2016 Ministry of Education Capital Priorities Grant (CPG) Program – Early Approvals; Report on Tenders: Huttonville Public School, Major Renovation and Addition; Tender Activity Report for May 18, 2016 to August 25, 2016, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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13. Adjournment

PB-73, moved by Stan Cameron, that the meeting adjourn (19:05 hours).

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