



**HASTINGS AND PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
OPERATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
March 20, 2017**

Members present: M. Brant, J. Bray, B. Danes, M. Hall, D. Inch, L. Kyle, D. Patterson
Student Trustees: None
Regrets: T. Biniaris
Guests: None
Resource: K. Donnell, T. FitzGibbon, N. Pfeiffer, M. Savery-Whiteway
Minutes: C. Reid

Call to order

The public session of the Operations and Finance Committee was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

Presentations

None

Approval of the agenda

Moved: D. Patterson
Seconded: M. Brant

That the agenda be approved.

Carried

Approval of minutes

Moved: L. Kyle
Seconded: M. Hall

That the minutes of the February 13, 2017 meeting be approved.

Carried

Business arising

Superintendent Pfeiffer provided an update regarding the Marmora Senior Public School addition, noting that approval had been received from the Ministry and the tender will be released this week.

It was noted that the Science Fair is not occurring at the same time as the Labour Relations conference, as previously mentioned in the February minutes.

Recommendations

None

Information

Public Sector Salary Disclosure

Director Savery-Whiteway stated that annually all public sector organizations are required to report on any salaries that exceed \$100,000.00. Despite the fact that the board has steadily reduced the number of staff, this year's list is significantly larger due to an anomaly that occurred in 2016. Kerry Donnell, Communication Officer, stated that for several years the practice has been to post the report on the website by March 31. In recent years the board has not issued a news release but simply posted the report and made it available to anyone who requests it. The anomaly for 2016 results from the last round of central negotiations and the ability for employees to receive a payout of their retirement gratuity if they chose to exercise that option. Those payouts occurred during the 2016 calendar year, resulting in an increase in the number of employees on the list, which is up by approximately 80 employees over 2015.

The employees named on the list were advised on March 8, 2017 that the report will be posted during the week of March 27, 2017.

Trustee expense report

Superintendent Pfeiffer referred to Report No. C-1 and noted that trustee expenses for the period ending February 28, 2017 were provided.

Trustee proposals/queries

None

Correspondence

None

The Operations and Finance Committee public meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.