



HASTINGS AND PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OPERATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

June 13, 2011

Members present: M. Brant, S. Clements, T. Goodfellow, M. Hall, D. Inch, Chair, D. Patterson

Regrets: None

Student Trustee: C. Meyette (absent)

Resource: R. McGall, D. Rutherford, D. Tregenza

Minutes: J. Newman

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m.

Delegations/presentations

Frink Centre report and video

Superintendent FitzGibbon introduced Ian Boyd, Curriculum Services Coordinator, Randy Votary, Curriculum Services Coordinator, Paul Taylor, Outdoor Education Liaison and Brad Olsen, Teacher at Centre Hastings Secondary School.

Paul Taylor presented the following highlights of the 2010-2011 year at the Frink Centre:

- Visitor numbers to the Frink centre continue to remain strong. As of May 31st of the 2010-2011 school year, 5853 visitors (240 classes) have attended programming at the Frink Centre from HPEDSB.
- Program enhancement included purchase of new snowshoe bindings, several class sets of rain jackets and bug jackets to accommodate all ages of students visiting the Frink Centre to ensure safety and comfort for students in all kinds of weather conditions, and to promote being active and learning in the outdoors.
- A grand opening was held on May 5th, 2011 for the completed Outdoor Education Pavilion. The pavilion was built by the Centre Hastings Secondary School Specialist High Skills Major Renovation and Restoration Class 2011 and was sponsored by John M. Parrott Foundation, Skills Canada Ontario/Lowe's Toolbox for Education, HPEDSB, ALCDSB, Tal Trees Inc, Quinte Bass Anglers, Jim and Nancy Moore and Quinte Conservation.
- The Lifelines class from Centennial Secondary School facilitated the 2011 tours for the Frink Centre's annual Sugarbush from March 21st – April 8th for the 62 classes from HPEDSB that visited the Centre to learn about maple syrup.
- Student placement opportunities for 2010-2011 at the Centre has brought in students from Loyalist College, Queen's University and Quinte Secondary School.

Many other highlights, including future plans for the Frink Centre, were contained in Report No. C-4.

A question was raised regarding curriculum connections. It was confirmed that activity guides are provided to each school that are grade specific and are directly linked to the curriculum.

Brad Olsen, Teacher from the Centre Hastings Secondary School Specialist High Skills Major Renovation and Restoration Class 2011, presented a video showing the construction phases of the new Outdoor Education Pavilion.

Approval of agenda

Moved: M. Hall
Seconded: M. Brant

That the agenda be approved.

Carried

Approval of minutes

Moved: D. Patterson
Seconded: T. Goodfellow

That the minutes of the regular meeting of May 9, 2011 be approved.

Carried

Business Arising - None

Recommendations

Borrowing resolution

Superintendent Rutherford presented Report B-1 to approve a borrowing resolution in order to meet the 2011-2012 expenditures of the board. Superintendent Rutherford noted that periodically the board finds it necessary to borrow funds to meet current expenditures of the board until current revenues have been received. An operating line of credit is established which states that the loan must not exceed a given limit at any time. It is recommended that the borrowing limit remain at \$12,000,000.

Moved: S. Clements
Seconded: T. Goodfellow

That the Operations and Finance Committee recommend that Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board, in order to meet current 2011-2012 expenditures, approve the attached resolution authorizing the borrowing of a sum of up to twelve million dollars (\$12,000,000) outstanding at any one time as contained in the Operations and Finance Committee Public Report No. B-1 dated June 13, 2011.

Carried

Annual Accessibility Plan

D. Tregenza reviewed the Annual Accessibility Plan for the period September 2011 to August 2012. It was noted that the language in the second to last paragraph on pg. 3 will be revised prior to the board meeting as information has been received indicating that the remaining standards are now being circulated.

Moved: M. Hall
Seconded: D. Patterson

That the Operations and Finance Committee recommend that Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve the Annual Accessibility Plan for the period September 2011 to August 2012 as contained in the Operations and Finance Committee Report No. B-2, dated June 13, 2011.

Carried

Information

Capital Projects Update

D. Tregenza provided a verbal update on the major capital construction projects currently underway at Athol-South Marysburgh Public School, Prince Charles School, Belleville, Sir John A. Macdonald School and York River Public School. Committee members viewed photos capturing the construction phase at each location.

Trustee Expense Reimbursement

Superintendent Rutherford provided an update on trustee expenses for the period ending May 31, 2011. It was noted that travel budgets for next year will be adjusted to reflect the increase in 2010-2011 expenditures.

Operations and Finance Committee – Start time

Committee members discussed the option to change the start time for Operations and Finance Committee meetings from 7:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A decision was made to continue with the 7:00 p.m. start time with the option to adjust the meeting start time as required.

Correspondence – None

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.