



HASTINGS AND PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
April 25, 2016

Members present: T. Biniaris, M. Brant, J. Cobb, B. Danes, M. Hall, D. Inch, L. Kyle, D. Patterson, J. Williams

Student Trustees: L. Barry, M. Hillier

Regrets: J. Bray

Absent:

Resource: C. DeMille, K. Donnell, M. Fisher, T. FitzGibbon, K. MacQuarrie, N. Pfeiffer, C. Portt, D. Rutherford, M. Savery-Whiteway

Guests:

Minutes: D. Lucas, Administrative Assistant

Call to order

Chair Inch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Character Moment of Reflection

Chair Inch called on Trustee Brant to recite “Growing with Character Moment – Humour”.

Delegations/presentations

Superintendent DeMille introduced the Character Moment: Citizenship and Making a Difference at Stirling Public School. Principal Suzanne Cholasta introduced teachers and students at Stirling Public School who are focused on making a difference in the school community and beyond. The presentation involved students, teachers and the school administrators. They showed two short videos, one made by a Grade 2 class, *#EarthWillThankYou* and the other made by a Grade 6 class, *Making a Difference at Stirling Public School*. The presentation included sharing dynamic learning experiences linked to the school Community, Culture & Caring goal: the declining bee population, a winter bird’s inquiry, efforts to recycle batteries, a buddy bench, a Kids for Kids campaign, a clothing exchange and filling shoe boxes for the Good Samaritan’s Purse.

Thank you to the special guests:

- Students: Molly Aikman and Elana Claxton, Grade 2; Chris Barrett, Keeva MacArthur and Tasia Ward, in Grade 6;
- Teachers: Kerry Denyes and Colleen Henry for Grade 2; Lindsay Langlois for Grade 6
- Administrators: Suzanne Cholasta, Principal and Annette Huizenga, Vice-principal

Approval of the agenda

Moved: J. Williams

Seconded: B. Danes

That the revised agenda for the April 25, 2016 Public Board meeting was approved.

Carried

Approval of the minutes

Moved: D. Patterson

Seconded: J. Cobb

That the minutes of the regular meeting of March 29, 2016 be approved.

Carried

Business arising from the March 29, 2016 minutes

Nothing at this time.

Report from the Committee of the Whole

The Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approved the following recommendation at the special Committee of the Whole on April 25, 2016:

- Ratification of Memorandum of Settlement between HPEDSB and CUPE Local 1022, and
- Ratification of Memorandum of Settlement between HPEDSB and HAPE-OTL

Recommendations:

Report from the Operations and Finance Committee

Tender for electrical work at Centennial Secondary School

Moved: M. Hall

Seconded: J. Bray

That the Operations and Finance Committee recommend that Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board award Tender No. RFQ-1516-005 to Industrial Electrical Contractors Limited for electrical switch gear equipment upgrades at Centennial Secondary School as contained in the Operations and Finance Committee Report No. B-2 dated April 11, 2016.

Carried

Trustee Danes noted that the work will commence July 4, 2016, with a week shutdown of the electrical system of the school in the final week of July. The project will be completed by August 5, 2016.

Tender #T1516-004 Roof Replacement and Associated Work

In the absence of Trustee Bray who moved the motion at the Operations and Finance Committee on April 11, 2016, a new mover was requested for this motion.

Moved: J. Williams

Seconded: M. Hall

That the Operations and Finance Committee recommend that Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board award Tender No. T-1516-004 to:

- Amherst Roofing for roof replacements and associated work at Tyendinaga Public School;
- Dafoe Roofing for roof replacements and associated work at Sir John A. MacDonald School, Centre Hastings Secondary School, Quinte Secondary School, and W.R. Kirk Public School;
- French Brothers Roofing for roof replacements and associated work at Coe Hill School, and North Hastings High School;

- ICI Roofing Ltd for roof replacements and associated work at Frankford Public School, Prince Charles Public School (Belleville), Prince of Wales Public School and Susanna Moodie Elementary School; and
 - Semple Gooder for roof replacements and associated work at Madoc Public School and Prince Edward Collegiate Institute
- as contained in the Operations and Finance Committee Report No. B-1 dated April 11, 2016.

Carried

**Report from Executive Committee
2015-2016 Board Policy Review – Part B**

Moved: L. Kyle

Seconded: M. Hall

That the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve amendments to the following Board policy as outlined in Appendix A and as contained in Board Report B-2, dated April 25, 2016.

- Policy 11G: Special Education Advisory Committee

Carried

Chair Inch noted that policies are reviewed on a regular basis throughout the year.

Acknowledgement of the land of the Original Peoples

Moved: L. Kyle

Seconded: D. Patterson

That the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board recommends that the Hastings and Prince Edward District Board acknowledge the original peoples of the land at each regular Public Board meeting.

Carried

Chair Inch noted that acknowledgement of the original peoples of the land has been integrated into many system level meetings. Similar acknowledgement should be part of the opening of Public Board meetings. Director Savery-Whiteway noted that we have worked through this process carefully with Trustee Brant and Chief R. Donald Maracle. Trustee Brant noted his appreciation with the Board's relationship to help bring us closer together, acknowledgement is very much appreciated.

Information:

Calendar of Events

A number of Board and Committee meetings were noted for the month as well as a number of activities taking place within our schools such as:

- May 4, 2016, Celebration of Dance at Quinte Fairgrounds (rain date May 5, 2016),
- May 10, 2016, Presentation for parents/guardians "Supporting Teens in Making Healthy Choices" at Quinte Secondary School, a partnership between HPEDSB and Hastings and Prince Edward Public Health,
- May 19, 2016, Food for Learning Silent Auction, Greek Banquet Hall,
- May 19, 2016, Madoc Public School, Career Fair for students.

Report from Chair

Chair Inch provided updates on:

- Great Place Awards, nominations closed on April 22, 2016 and the committee will meet on May 4, 2016. We look forward to recognizing the award winners at the Board meeting in May.
- The Ministry of Education has confirmed the school year calendar as approved by the board. The proposed dates for 2016-2017 school year are posted on the website.
- School Climate Survey is still open for completion by students and school staff until the end of April, 2016 and until May 6, 2016 for parents.

Report from Executive Committee

Nothing to report.

Report from Program and Human Resource Committee

Trustee Cobb provided an update on:

- BIPSAW update – Pathways Goal: myBlueprint
- Quinte Regional Science & Technology Fair
- Textbook/novel/approval

Report from the Operations and Finance Committee

Trustee Dane shared highlights on:

- tender for roof replacements,
- tender for electrical switch gear equipment.

Report from Staff:

Trustee questions, reports and proposals:

- Trustee Patterson noted that the regional OPSBA meeting was held at Harmony PS on April 16, 2016 and wanted to thank everyone for making it a success, Vice-principal Lisa McGeachy, Custodian, Paul McMaster, Director Mandy Savery-Whiteway, Trustee Kyle and Administrative Assistant, Debbie Lucas. Trustee Patterson commented on the tour they were given and noted the school is certainly a state of the art for learning. Trustees learned that the operation of the washroom facilities flushing is through the use of collected rain water and the technology related to the safety and security of the automatic door closures within the building.
- Trustee Kyle shared that she had attended the Aboriginal Leads Gathering and the Children's Mental Health workshop in Toronto during the first week of April.
- Student Trustee Hillier attended the "Igniting the Fire" student symposium at Loyalist College on April 25, 2016. The student symposium was organized by T. Maracle, Curriculum Coordinator and 7 secondary schools were represented at this event.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to review.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Chair

Secretary