

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PUBLIC REPORT

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

**Board Room**

**Administration Building**

**133 Greenbank Road**

**Ottawa, Ontario**

- Trustees Present: Alysha Aziz, Justine Bell (electronic communication), Donna Dickson, Lyra Evans, Jennifer Jennekens, Nili Kaplan-Myrth, Matthew Lee, Cathryne Milburn, Suzanne Nash, Amanda Presley, Lynn Scott, Antong Hou (Student Trustee)
- Staff Present: Michele Giroux (Director of Education), Randy Gerrior (Associate Director, Business Operations), Janice McCoy (Executive Officer), James Proulx (Executive Officer, Information Technology and Digital Transformation), Prince Duah (Superintendent of Instruction), Mary Jane Farrish (Superintendent of Instruction), Paula Hall (Superintendent of People, Culture and Leadership), Richard Sinclair (General Counsel, Superintendent of Labour Relations, Risk Management and Privacy), Peter Symmonds (Superintendent of Learning Support Services), Carolyn Tanner (Human Rights and Equity Advisor), Daniel Bradley (Manager, School Facilities Services), Stacey Kay (Manager, Learning Support Services), Pamela LeMaistre (Manager, Human Resources), Sandra Owens (Manager, Business & Learning Technologies), Diane Pernari (Manager, Communications & Information Services), Nicole Guthrie (Manager of Board Services), Michael Guilbault (Central Audio/Visual Technical Specialist), Marco Paladino (Training & Support Specialist), James Baker (Board/Committee Coordinator)
- Non-Voting Representatives Present: Stephanie Kirkey (Secondment, Seconded - OSSTF), Andrew Nordman (Principal, Roland Michener Public School), , Jean Fulton-Hale (OCSSAN Representative - ALT), Tom Holloway (OCASC), Sue Cowin (SEAC), Lili Miller (IEC)

1. Call to Order - Vice-Chair of the Board

Chair Jennekens called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. Acknowledgement of Territorial Lands

Chair Jennekens acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on unceded Algonquin Homelands and thanked the Algonquin Nations for hosting the meeting on their land.

3. Approval of Agenda

**Moved by Trustee Dickson,**

**THAT the agenda be approved.**

**Carried**

4. Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were filed.

5. Matters for Action:

5.1 Report 23-015, Facilities Renewal Program and School Condition Improvement 2022-2023 Project Plan (R. Gerrior)

Your Committee had before it, Report 23-015, seeking approval of the Facilities Renewal Program and School Condition Improvement 2022-2023 Project Plan.

During a discussion and in response to queries, the following information was provided:

- The report was brought forward due to work requirements, construction delays, and to expedite the process;
- Washrooms for staff and students will be kept separate;
- Opportunities exist for students to become involved and learn about the construction process;
- Flooring upgrades listed on page 3 of Appendix B correlate to superintendency zones;
- Soil contamination will continue to be monitored;
- Portable upgrades and renewal will be performed as needed;
- Solar arrays are being installed on schools following the roofing program based on age of the structure and its capacity to support the arrays;
- Bus lane expansion at W. Erskine Johnston Public School and John Young Elementary School may be reviewed regarding safety concerns;
- Ventilation upgrades continue to be installed as part of the renewal program;

- Increase in budget for accessibility is based on needs and requirements. Guidance from the Ministry and the consultant is pending;
- If electrical infrastructure is able to support it, heat pump systems are being installed and will reduce emissions by 50%;
- Natural gas backups in rooftops are used 20 to 21 times annually, per site;
- Ceiling replacement is incorporated with the lighting replacement needs;
- The COVID-19 Resilience Stream (CVRS) program is expected to be completed by 31 December 2023; and
- Public reporting regarding carbon dioxide emissions requires follow up - monitoring is part of building automation.

**Moved by Trustee Lee,**

- A. THAT the Facilities Renewal Program and School Condition Improvement Project budget in the amount of \$112,487,365 be approved as detailed in Appendix B of Report 23-015 (Attached as Appendix A);**
- B. THAT staff be authorized to proceed with individual project tenders within the Facilities Renewal Program and School Condition Improvement Project plans;**
- C. THAT as FRP/SCI projects are tendered, based on bid results, or as priorities change, additional projects may be added or removed to suit the availability of the overall budget and these additional projects will be able to proceed without further approval as long as the total overall FRP/SCI budgets are not exceeded; and**
- D. THAT the Chair of the Board and Director of Education are authorized to award contracts above \$500,000 that is within this overall available uncommitted approved budget.**

**Carried**

**6. Matters for Discussion:**

**6.1 Report 23-021, Strategic Planning Presentation: Environmental Scan Part 3 (A. Rahim)**

Your Committee had before it, Report 23-021, Strategic Planning Presentation: Environmental Scan Part 3 for discussion.

During a discussion and in response to queries, the following information was provided:

- The collection of data and feedback is nearing completion;
- Electronic feedback was received by over 2,300 families, 1,100 staff and 1,100 students;
- Large group consultations have been completed while school based consultations continue to be conducted;
- The environmental scan is a compilation of data that will be presented through multiple reports; and
- Data relating to enrolment in French immersion, economic status, demographics and other identifying factors are currently available on the OCDSB website and will be updated when the current report is released in April 2023.

7. New Business - Information and Inquiries

There was no new business.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Jennifer Jennekens, Acting Vice-Chair