

BOARD PUBLIC MINUTES

Tuesday, October 22, 2019, 7:00 pm Board Room Administration Building 133 Greenbank Road Ottawa, Ontario

Trustees: Donna Blackburn, Christine Boothby, Erica Braunovan, Rob Campbell, Chris Ellis, Lyra Evans, Mark Fisher (electronic communication), Wendy Hough, Jennifer Jennekens, Keith Penny, Sandra Schwartz, Lynn Scott, Ganaaboute Gagne (Student Trustee), Prasith Wijeweera (Student Trustee)

Staff: Camille Williams-Taylor (Director of Education), Brett Reynolds (Associate Director), Dorothy Baker (Superintendent of Instruction), Mary Jane Farrish (Superintendent of Instruction), Michele Giroux (Executive Officer, Corporate Services), Olga Grigoriev (Superintendent of Instruction), Eric Hardie (Superintendent of Instruction), Peter Symmonds (Superintendent of Learning Support Services), Karyn Carty Ostafichuk (Manager of Planning), Diane Pernari-Hergert (Manager of Communications & Information Services), Rebecca Mason (Communications Coordinator), John MacKinnon (Audio-Visual Technician), Susan Baker (Acting Manager of Board Services), Nicole Guthrie (Senior Board Coordinator)

1. Call to Order -- Chair of the Board

Chair Scott called the public meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. She acknowledged that the meeting is taking place on unceded Algonquin Territory and thanked the Algonquin Nations for hosting the meeting on their land.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Hough, seconded by Trustee Jennkens,

THAT the agenda be approved.

Carried

3. Presentation of D. Aubrey Moodie Award to Mingde Yin and Rassam R S Yazdi

Chair Scott, Director Williams-Taylor and Ellen Boynton, of the Bells Corners United Church, presented the D. Aubrey Moodie Award to former Colonel By Secondary School student Mingde Yin and former Lisgar Collegiate Institute student Rassam RS Yazdi. The pair were the highest achieving students in 2018-2019, graduating with an average of 97.31 percent, among all secondary students in the OCDSB.

Director Williams-Taylor remarked that Mingde, Rassam and their families are to be congratulated on their outstanding academic achievement and their amazing accomplishments.

4. <u>Presentation on Evidence of Practice - Olga Grigoriev</u>

Your committee had before it Report 19-099, Evidence of Practice, highlighting evidence of practice in two areas of the Strategic Plan: Culture of Innovation and Culture of Social Responsibility. Superintendent Grigoriev, grade 7 students from Hopewell Avenue Public School and their teacher Mr. Ranger spoke of their collaboration with community partners to create a design for a sustainable community located at the Natural Resources campus on Booth Street in Ottawa. The project was driven by "No. 9", an organization dedicated to promoting a sustainable culture. The students were involved in the creation of an innovative architectural and landscape design project to solve a current and relevant problem about urban land use.

During the discussion, and in response to questions, the following points were noted:

- The students presented their models at the Carleton University School of Architecture;
- Students were able to take ownership of their learning and, through handson, real-world work, were able to plan, design, prepare and present a model;
- The presentation of the model at Carleton University enabled the students to interact with different community leaders and the students felt that their opinions mattered;
- The students worked as teams to design a modern, aesthetically pleasing, sustainable mini-community;
- The initiative could be expanded and shared system-wide with a curriculum link to geography which could have students create models for an imagined or real local community site; and
- No.9 staff enjoyed working with the students and have indicated they would like to work with students in younger grades as well.

Trustee Lyra Evans thanked the staff and students of Hopewell Avenue Public School and presented the students with a small token of appreciation.

5. <u>Report from the Board (In Camera)</u>

Vice-Chair Braunovan reported that the Board met in camera earlier this evening and reports and recommends as follows:

5.1 Approval of Contract for External Audit Services

Moved by Trustee Fisher

Seconded by Trustee Braunovan

THAT a contract for external audit services be executed as directed in Board in camera.

Carried

A recorded vote was held and was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Braunovan, Boothby, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Schwartz and Scott (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

6. Briefing from the Chair of the Board

Chair Scott noted that the District will host an Early Learning Career Fair at Sir Guy Carleton Secondary School on 26 October 2019 in an effort to recruit Early Childhood Educators and Early Learning Assistants.

Chair Scott shared that First Nations, Métis and Inuit secondary school students from across the District will attend the fourth annual Indigenous Youth Symposium on 24 October 2019. Indigenous youth from Pikwakanagan and Kitigan Zibi will also be attending. She noted that the symposium provides an opportunity for students, staff and community members to gather, learn, network and share.

Chair Scott announced that the registration for the annual Parent Conference and School Council Training Day on 9 November 2019 is still open and that close to 600 parents have registered to date.

7. <u>Briefing from the Director</u>

Director Williams-Taylor noted that Ottawa-Carleton District School Board members of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) and Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) have taken part or will participate in central strike votes. ETFO and OSSTF have advised that they have asked the Minister of Labour to appoint a conciliation officer with respect to central bargaining. Director Williams-Taylor reminded trustees and the public that strike votes and conciliation are part of the bargaining process and they are necessary preconditions for strike action. It does not mean that strike action is imminent.

8. <u>Delegations</u>

There were no delegations.

- 9. <u>Matters for Action</u>
 - 9.1 Confirmation of Board Minutes, 24 September 2019

Moved by Trustee Schwartz, seconded by Trustee Hough,

THAT the 24 September 2019 Board minutes be confirmed.

Carried

9.2 Business Arising from Board Minutes

In response to a query from Trustee Campbell regarding the delegation referring to a childcare space rental outlined on folio 7, Director Williams-Taylor advised that staff will prepare a memorandum on the review of Policy P.059.SCO Child Care Programs in Schools.

9.3 <u>Receipt of Committee of the Whole Report 01 October 2019</u>

Moved by Trustee Braunovan, seconded by Trustee Schwartz,

THAT the Committee of the Whole report dated 01 October 2019 be received.

Carried

9.3.a <u>Approval of Consultation Plan for Policy P.074.IT Computer</u> <u>Network Security</u>

Moved by Trustee Schwartz

Seconded by Trustee Braunovan

THAT the consultation plan outlining revisions to Policy P.074.IT - Computer Network Security, attached as Appendix B to Report 19-092 be approved. (Attached as Appendix A)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Braunovan, Boothby, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Schwartz and Scott (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.3.b <u>Approval of an amendment to Policy P.125.SCO School District</u> <u>Code of Conduct</u>

Moved by Trustee Evans

Seconded by Trustee Braunovan

THAT the Board approve an amendment to Policy P.125.SCO School District Code of Conduct, attached as Appendix B to Report 19-094. (Attached as Appendix B)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4 Receipt of Committee of the Whole Report 15 October 2019

Moved by Trustee Lyra Evans, seconded by Trustee Boothby,

THAT the Committee of the Whole Report dated 15 October 2019 be received.

Carried

9.4.a <u>Approval of Timeline and Consultation Plan for New Stittsville</u> <u>Secondary School Study</u>

Moved by Trustee Braunovan

Seconded by Trustee Evans

A. THAT the Board affirm that a pupil accommodation review under OCDSB Policy P.118.PLG, Pupil Accommodation Review, is not required for this study; and

B. THAT the timeline and consultation plan, attached as Appendices B and C to Report 19-078, for a study to determine the program, attendance boundary, and opening grade structure for the new Stittsville secondary school, and other associated changes, be approved. (Attached as appendices C and D)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4.b <u>Approval of KPMG LLP's Plan for the Audit of OCDSB</u> <u>Consolidated Financial Statements</u>

Moved by Trustee Schwartz

Seconded by Trustee Evans

THAT KPMG LLP's plan for the audit of the 2018-2019 Consolidated Financial Statements be approved. (Attached as Appendix E)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4.c Approval of the 2018-2019 Annual Report on Internal Audit Activity

Moved by Trustee Schwartz

Seconded by Trustee Evans

THAT Appendix A to Report 19-073 be approved as the 2018-2019 Annual Report on Internal Audit Activity. (Attached as Appendix F)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present: FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4.d Approval of the 2018-2019 Audit Committee Annual Report to the Board

Moved by Trustee Schwartz

Seconded by Trustee Evans

THAT Report 19-074 be approved as the Audit Committee Annual Report to the Board for 2018-2019. (Attached as Appendix G)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4.e Approval of the 2019-2020 Internal Audit Mandate

Moved by Trustee Fisher

Seconded by Trustee Evans

THAT the 2019-2020 Regional Internal Audit Mandate be approved. (Attached as Appendix H)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.4.f Approval of the 2019-2020 Internal Audit Plan

Moved by Trustee Fisher

Seconded by Trustee Evans

THAT the Regional Internal Audit Plan for 2019-2020 be approved. (Attached as Appendix I)

Carried

A recorded vote was held and the motion was carried unanimously by those present:

FOR: Trustees Blackburn, Boothby, Braunovan, Campbell, Ellis, Evans, Fisher, Hough, Jennekens, Penny, Scott, and Schwartz (12)

AGAINST: Nil (0)

ABSTENTION: Nil (0)

9.5 Non-Consent Items

There were no non-consent items.

9.6 Receipt of Advocacy Strategy Committee Report, 01 October 2019

Moved by Trustee Braunovan, seconded by Trustee Blackburn,

THAT the report from the Advocacy Strategy Committee dated 01 October 2019, be received.

Carried

Chair Scott advised that a draft summarizing the committee's advocacy recommendations was circulated to trustees. She requested they review the draft and provide comments for further action.

- 10. <u>Matters for Discussion</u>
 - 10.1 Report from OPSBA Representatives (if required)

There was no report from OPSBA representatives.

11. <u>Matters for Information</u>

There were no matters for information.

12. <u>New Business - Information and Inquiries</u>

Trustee Lyra Evans requested an opportunity to discuss at a future meeting the litigative stance of the District as it relates to playgrounds and field trips.

13. Motion to Reconvene In Camera

Moved by Trustee Schwartz, seconded by Trustee Hough,

THAT the Board reconvene In Camera.

Carried

14. <u>Report from the Board (In Camera)</u>

The Board met in camera this evening and Vice-Chair Braunovan reported that there were no recommendations.

15. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Lynn Scott, Chair of the Board