



Committee of the Whole Board Meeting

Monday, April 11, 2022

MS Teams Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

Present: Committee Chair: T. Waldschmidt, Vice Chair: C. VanEvery-Albert, Trustees: G. Anderson, R. Collver, E. Dixon, B. Doyle, S. Gibson, J. Richardson, C.A. Sloat, D. Werden Student Trustees: C. Kitchen, S. Green

Administration: Director: J. Roberto, Superintendents: W. Baker, K. Graham, L. Munro, A. Smith, L. Thompson, J. Tozer, R. Wyszynski, Recording Secretary: C. Dero

Regrets: Trustee D. Dean, Student Trustee R. Mitchell

Guests: A. Andratis, Itinerant Teacher,
C. Bibby, Safe and Inclusive Schools Lead,
K. Baran-Harper, Teacher

A - 1 **Opening**

(a) **Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Committee of the Whole Board Chair, T. Waldschmidt at 6:30 p.m.

(b) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Nil

(c) **In Camera Session**

Moved by: D. Werden

Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Board move into In Camera Session to discuss personnel, legal and property matters at 6:31 p.m.

Carried

(d) **Welcome to Open Session/Land Acknowledgment Statement**

Chair Waldschmidt called the Public Meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

(e) **Agenda Additions/Deletions/Approval**

In response to a question about Bylaw 35, Use of Board Resources During an Election Campaign, Trustee Gibson explained that the Bylaws are currently being reviewed and the current bylaw will remain in effect until the review is complete.

Moved by: D. Werden

Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the following Policies and Procedures be referred to a later date as noted:

- SO27 Acceptable Use of Information Technology (May or June)
- P2 Honouring Indigenous Histories, Cultures and Traditions (May or June)
- SO19 Privacy and Information Management (May or June)
- SO32 Exclusion of Students (May or June)
- SO23 Human Trafficking (May or June)
- HRXXX Right to Disconnect (May or June)
- SO102 Student Admission/Registration (Fall of 2022)

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Moved by: E. Dixon
Seconded by: B. Doyle
THAT the Agenda be approved.

Carried

(f) **In Camera Report**

Nil

(g) **Educator Showcase**

Superintendent Baker opened the showcase and introduced the Safe and Inclusive Schools Lead, C. Bibby and Itinerant Teacher, A. Andratis.

Those in attendance had an opportunity to watch a video that was recently created by the Safe and Inclusive School team, that captures student voice with respect to safety and inclusion at Grand Erie. This is the first video in a five-part series.

The video will be played for staff as part of continuing professional development around being culturally relevant and responsible educators who respond to all students.

(h) **Delegation**

Nil

B - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings**

(a) **French Immersion Review Plan**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board commence a review of the French Immersion program.

Carried

In response to a question from a trustee, Superintendent Smith explained that the scope of work would be determined by the committee.

(b) **Elgin Ave PS Renovation**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Elgin Ave PS Renovation report as information and that a report will come to Committee of the Whole in January of 2023.

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Superintendent Wyszynski confirmed for trustees that the project committee would determine the scope of the project, and Board approval would be needed for the additional funds that are referenced in the report to be used.



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(c) **Ryerson Heights Elementary – Request for Name Change**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: E. Dixon

Seconded by: C. VanEvery-Albert

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board rename Ryerson Heights Elementary School to Edith Monture Elementary School.

Carried

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board disband the Renaming Committee Ryerson Heights Elementary School.

Carried

C - 1 **Director's Report**

(a) **Director's Highlights**

J. Roberto shared information about the following:

- Grand Erie secondary students have recently won awards at the Skills Ontario qualifying competition, the Bay Area Science and Engineering Fair, and the Josten Photo Contest.
- Taylor Webb, a grade 5 French Immersion teacher, was recently recognized by Knowledgehook as an Impact Influencer.
- EA Appreciation Day – April 6
- Additional funding for tutoring supports
- New Teacher Induction
- Inspirations from across Grand Erie
- Teacher, K. Baran-Harper spoke to her positive experience in taking part in Additional Qualification courses, and how they have impacted her assessment practice.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of April 11, 2022, as information.

Carried

D - 1 **New Business – Action/Decision Items**

(a) **Quality Accommodation Update**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Quality Accommodations Committee Report as information.

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Superintendent Wyszynski clarified that the boundary reviews will be prioritized once Grand Erie's new Planning Supervisor starts.

(b) **Student Trustee Report – Livestream Board Meetings**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: E. Dixon

Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board recommends that Committee of the Whole Board and Regular Board meeting are live streamed, including both audio and visual content effective June 13th, 2022.

Carried

Discussions took place around the appropriate time to start livestreaming Board and Committee of the Whole meetings, and the importance of building on the plan gradually.

D – 2 **New Business – Information Items**

(a) **Education Week 2022**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Education Week 2022 Report as information.

Carried

(b) **Trustees' Expenses Report**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: S. Gibson

Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Trustees' Expenses Report as information.

Carried

E - 1 **Bylaw/Policy Procedure Consideration – Action/Decision/Information Items**

(a) **Service Provision for Students with Special Education Needs (P-01)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy Service Provision for Students with Special Education Needs (P-01).

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(b) **Special Education Guiding Principles (P1)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board rescind Policy Special Education Guiding Principles (P1).

Carried

(c) **Request to Attend a School Outside the Home School Area (SO-121)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: J. Richardson

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure Request to Attend a School Outside the Home School Area (SO-121) as information.

Carried

(d) **Visual Identity Policy, Procedure, and Guide (SO-25, SO-XXX)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Policy Visual Identity (SO-25) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

Moved by: C.A. Sloat

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure Visual Identity (SO-XXX) and Visual Identity Guide to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

(e) **Principal/Vice Principal Selection Process (HR-6)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: C. VanEvery-Albert

THAT Bylaw 9 – Process for Development of Bylaws, Policies and Procedures be waived with respect to rescinding Policy Principal/Vice-Principal Selection Process (HR-6)

Carried by 2/3 Vote

Moved by: C. VanEvery-Albert

Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board rescind Policy Principal/Vice-Principal Selection Process (HR-6).

Carried



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Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT Bylaw 9 – Process for Development of Bylaws, Policies and Procedures be waived with respect to circulating Procedure Principal/Vice-Principal Selection Process (HR-106) to all appropriate stakeholders for comment.

Carried by 2/3 Vote

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure Principal/Vice-Principal Selection Process (HR-106) for information.

Carried

In response to a concern from a trustee about the number of people on the hiring team, Superintendent Tozer explained that Human Resources staff would ensure that hiring practices are consistent.

Trustee Collver noted that trustees have never selected or placed principals at Grand Erie.

(f) **Boundary Review (FT-08 & FT-XXX)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Policy Boundary Review (FT-08) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

Moved by: C.A. Sloat

Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure Boundary Review (FT-XXX) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

(g) **Employee Use of Board-Owned Property and Equipment (FT-114)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: S. Gibson

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure Employee Use of Board-Owned Property and Equipment (FT-114) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

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(h) **Employee Assistance Program (HR-112)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: S. Gibson

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure Employee Assistance Program (HR-112) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

(i) **Principal/Vice Principal Performance Appraisal (HR-124)**

Presented as printed.

Moved by: J. Richardson

Seconded by: C. VanEvery-Albert

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure Principal/Vice-Principal Performance Appraisal (HR-124) to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by May 26, 2022.

Carried

F - 1 **Other Business**

(a) **OPSBA Report**

C. VanEvery-Albert provided a verbal report:

- A reminder of the OPSBA five multi-year priorities
- OPSBA AGM, Regional Council Elections, and the OPSBA Organizational meeting will be held on June 9-11, 2022, in Ottawa.

Moved by: C.A. Sloat

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the OPSBA report as information.

Carried

G - 1 **Correspondence**

(a) District School Board Ontario North East Letter – Apr. 6 2022

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: C. VanEvery-Albert

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the correspondence as information.

Carried

H - 1 **Adjournment**

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Carried