

Monday, March 27, 2023

**Education Centre Boardroom** 

## **MINUTES**

Present:

Chair S. Gibson, Vice-Chair B. Doyle Trustees: J. Bradford, R. Collver, L. Passmore, C.A. Sloat, C. Van Every-Albert (MS Teams), T. Waldschmidt,

E. Whiton, Student Trustees: M. Baker, T. Zebroski

Administration:

Director: J. Roberto, Superintendents: W. Baker, K. Graham, L. Munro, L. Thompson, J. Tozer, J. White, R. Wyszynski, Manager D. Smouter, Recording Secretary: K. Ireland-Aitken, Executive Assistant: C. Dero

(MS Teams)

**Guests:** 

J. Bell, General Legal Counsel (MS Teams), P. Kuckyt, Manager of

Transportation Services, K. Gayowsky, Student Trustee 2023-24

Regrets:

Trustees: G. Anderson, E. Thomas, Student Trustee A. Skye

A-1 Opening

(a) Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gibson at 6:30 p.m.

- (b) Declaration of Conflict of Interest Nil
- (c) In-Camera Session (6:30 pm)

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Board move In-Camera.

Carried

- (d) Welcome to Open Session/Land Acknowledgment Statement Chair Gibson read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.
- (e) Call to Order
  Chair Gibson called the Regular Board meeting to order at 7:21 p.m.
- (f) Additions/Deletions/Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt THAT the agenda be approved.

Carried

- (g) Memorial Nil
- (h) In-Camera Report

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: J. Bradford

That the Board approve In-Camera Item D-1-a.

Carried



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#### (i) Student Showcase - #WePutTheKINDInKindergarten St. George-German Public School Learn Lead Inspire Award

Director Roberto and Superintendent Baker presented the St. George-German Public School Kindergarten class and their teachers with the Learn Lead and Inspire Award for their passion home/school project called, 'We Put the KIND in Kindergarten'.

(j) **Delegations** - Nil

#### B - 1 **Approval of Minutes**

(a) February 27, 2023 (Regular Board)

> Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: J. Bradford

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, dated February 27, 2023, be approved. Carried

#### C-1**Committee Recommendations and Reports**

(a) Report of the Policy and Program Committee Meeting dated March 20, 2023

Presented as printed.

Moved by:

T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Board approve the draft Budget Development Process Policy (BU-02), draft Trustee Honoraria Policy (BU-04), and draft Advocacy Policy (BU-05).

#### Carried

Moved by:

B. Doyle Seconded by: J. Bradford

THAT the Pride of Place and Community Partnership Incentive Programs Policy (FA-13) and the Environmental Standards for Facility Operations and Maintenance Policy (FA-14) be rescinded.

Carried

#### (b) Report of the Audit Committee Meeting dated March 23, 2023

Presented as printed.

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the Board appoint Millards Chartered Professional Accountants as external Auditors for the 2022-23 financial year.

Trustee Doyle requested a recorded vote:

Trustee Doyle - yes

Trustee Sloat - yes

Trustee VanEvery-Albert - yes

Trustee Collver - yes

Trustee Waldschmidt - yes

Trustee Bradford - yes Chair Gibson - yes

Trustee Whiton - yes Trustee Passmore - yes

Carried

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#### Report of the Governance Committee Meeting dated March 23, 2023 (c)

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Dovle

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the Housekeeping Amendments to the General Working By-Law and General Governance Policy be approved.

Trustee Doyle requested a recorded vote:

Trustee Doyle - yes

Trustee Sloat - no

Trustee VanEvery-Albert - yes

Trustee Collver - yes

Trustee Waldschmidt - yes

Trustee Bradford - yes

Trustee Whiton - yes

Chair Gibson - yes

Trustee Passmore - yes

#### Carried

Moved by:

J. Bradford

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the appointment of a Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation (MCFN) trustee to represent the interests of MCFN students, and the name of the representative be confirmed by MCFN, no later than September 1, 2023, for the remainder of the 2022-26 current term of the Board, be approved, pending budget approval.

Trustee Waldschmidt requested a recorded vote:

Trustee Doyle - yes

Trustee Sloat - no

Trustee VanEvery-Albert - abstain Trustee Collver - yes

Trustee Waldschmidt - yes

Trustee Bradford - yes

Trustee Whiton - no

Trustee Passmore - yes

Chair Gibson - yes

### Carried

Moved by:

B. Doyle

Seconded by: J. Bradford

THAT the recommended Self-Assessment Survey to be completed by all trustees before June 30, 2023, be approved.

Trustee Doyle requested a recorded vote:

Trustee Doyle - yes

Trustee Sloat - yes

Trustee VanEvery-Albert - yes

Trustee Collver - yes

Trustee Waldschmidt - ves

Trustee Bradford - yes

Trustee Whiton - yes

Chair Gibson - yes

Trustee Passmore - yes

Carried



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### D-1 Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meeting

The delegation submission from the Regular Board meeting held on February 27, 2023 will be included in the March 27, 2023 Regular Board meeting minutes. It was confirmed that it was received and filed.

### E-1 Report of the Director

J. Roberto shared information regarding the following:

- Math Learning
- Additional Qualifications (AQ): Grand Erie continues to offer free AQ to all educators across the district.
- Indigenous Education: A focus on Cultural Kit professional development was shared.
- The Police in Schools Review is ongoing and focus groups are underway.
- 2023-24 Virtual Learning Invitation and Declaration timelines were shared.
- New Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) Graduation Requirement: The Ministry of Education introduced a new OSSD graduation requirement for students to earn a Grade 9 or 10 Technological Education credit, beginning with students entering Grade 9 in September 2024.

#### F-1 Staff Reports

### (a) Major Construction Update

Presented as printed.

#### (b) Transportation Review Report

Presented as printed.

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Board approve the transportation route exceptions listed in the Transportation Review Report for the 2023-24 School Year.

#### Carried

Manager of Transportation Services P. Kuckyt provided a high-level overview of the report and responded to questions of clarification. Out of boundary students will be considered to receive courtesy transportation if there is room on the bus and the bus route is not extended. Cayuga Secondary School from Six Nations receive transportation services funded separately through the community.

#### G - 1 Student Trustees' Report

#### (a) OSTA-AECO

Student Trustees M. Baker and T. Zebroski provided an overview of the OSTA-AECO Conference held in February.

H-1 New Business - Action / Decision Items - Nil



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- 1-1 Information Items
- (a) **Student Trustee Selection** Presented as printed.
- J-1 Other Business
- (a) Audit Committee Meeting Minutes dated November 3, 2022
  Presented as printed.
- (b) Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes dated February 2, 2023 Presented as printed.
- K-1 OPSBA Report

Trustee VanEvery-Albert advised that the Central West Committee meeting will be held this upcoming weekend. Trustees are encouraged to attend the Labour Relations Symposium on April 27 – 28, 2023.

- L-1 Correspondence Presented as printed
- (a) Rainy River District School Board dated February 14, 2023
- (b) Rainy River District School Board Additional Correspondence dated February 14, 2023
- (c) Waterloo Region District School Board dated February 23, 2023
- (d) Greater Essex County District School Board undated
- (e) New Build in the Southwest 346 Shellard Lane School, Community Centre, and Library dated February 28, 2023
- (f) Ministry of Education dated March 10, 2023
- M-1 Adjournment

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: L. Whiton

THAT the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Carried

Chair S. Gibson

Director of Education and Secretary of the Board J. Roberto