

AVON MAITLAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
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MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 28, 2016
Maitland Room, Seaforth Education Centre
62 Chalk Street North, Seaforth, ON

PRESENT:

Trustees: Judy Cairncross, Lynette Geddes, Robert Hunking, Doug Pratley, Nancy Rothwell, Colleen Schenk, Randy Wagler

Via Teleconference: Julie Moore

Absent: Alyson Kent

Senior Staff: Ted Doherty, Director of Education and Secretary of the Board, Superintendents Janet Baird-Jackson, Jodie Baker, Peggy Blair, Paul Langis, and Jane Morris

Resource: Communications Manager Wes MacVicar

Recording Secretary: Barb Crawford

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schenk called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. for the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session.

In the absence of Vice Chair Kent, Trustee Hunking was selected as acting Vice Chair for the June 28th Board meeting.

MOTION 2016 06 97

(L. Geddes – D. Pratley)

RESOLVED THAT Trustee Hunking be acting Vice Chair for the June 28, 2016 Board meeting.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, CLOSED SESSION

MOTION 2016 06 98

(R. Hunking – L. Geddes)

RESOLVED THAT this Board convene into Committee of the Whole, Closed Session.

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Vice Chair was Chair for the Committee of the Whole, Closed Session.

Chair Schenk resumed the Chair at 4:00 p.m. and convened into Regular Session.

REGULAR SESSION**ROUTINE MATTERS****MOTION 2016 06 99****(L. Geddes – R. Wagler)****RESOLVED THAT** this Board convene into Regular Session.**CARRIED****Approval of Agenda****MOTION 2016 06 100****(L. Geddes – J. Cairncross)****RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be approved as presented.**CARRIED****Declaration of Pecuniary Interest***There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.***Approval of Minutes****MOTION 2016 06 101****(R. Wagler – L. Geddes)****RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Avon Maitland District School Board meeting held Tuesday, June 14, 2016, be approved as amended.**CARRIED**

Under the Ad Hoc Committee Emergent Issue report, Trustee Cairncross clarified there were two recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee, but only one was approved. Trustee Hunking clarified Jillian Bjelan is a student at South Huron District High School, not Central Huron Secondary School.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

Committee of the Whole, Closed Session

There was no business brought forward from Closed Session.

Trustee Reflection**Good News**

Trustee Pratley extended congratulations to Superintendent Baird-Jackson and the Facilities staff following a recent toured of the new North Perth Westfield Elementary School.

Chair Schenk reported she had the opportunity to attend Howick's unveiling of their Inclusion Wall at their official unveiling on June 28th. Carol Bradley, a local artist, volunteered to teach the students how to work with clay which was used to create the tile wall that reflects what the students love about their school

Trustee Rothwell, Trustee Moore and staff attended the Celebration of Communities in Milverton with a variety of schools participating including Morning, Milverton, Elma Township and Listowel District School School.

Trustee Wagler reported Exeter Elementary School students, accompanied by teacher Ian Dekker from Exeter Elementary School, rallied together to support one of their fellow classmates Hunter King who threw the first pitch at the June 22nd Toronto Blue Jays game.

Student Trustee Update

There was no student trustee update

Student/Staff Presentations

Public Delegations

There were no public delegations.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

2016 – 2020 Strategic Plan

Director Doherty introduced the renewed Plan which encompassed work by staff, school councils, communities and trustees. At the May 10th Committee of the Whole, Open Sessions trustees worked in groups to incorporate themes into the existing Plan. Trustees provided further feedback and agreed to change the word technology to technologies.

MOTION 2016 06 102

(L. Geddes – J. Cairncross)

RESOLVED THAT the Avon Maitland District School Board approve the Strategic Plan 2016 – 2020 amended as follows:

We Will
 Create Positive, Inclusive Learning Environments
 And
 Maximize Outcomes for Students
 By
 Engaging our students, staff, families, communities and our world
 Inspiring with evidence-informed teaching and learning
 Innovating through the creative potential of emerging technologies
 Guided by the Principles of
 Equity
 Character
 &
 Stewardship
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CARRIED

Tenders Over the Summer

Superintendent Baird-Jackson presented the traditional recommendation coming from Facilities in order to carry out work over the summer. It is anticipated that tenders may be required for drainage and asphalt at Sprucedale Public School, and sport-field upgrades at FE Madill Secondary School/ Maitland River Elementary School.

MOTION 2016 06 103

(R. Wagler – D. Pratley)

RESOLVED THAT the Avon Maitland District School Board proceed with all summer projects as expeditiously as possible; and that, the Avon Maitland District School Board grant approval to the successful tender in any project commenced during the summer break period on the understanding that:
 each tender is recommended by the appropriate professional;
 each tender is recommended by the Director of Education or designate;
 and
 all necessary information is communicated to the Board at its next regular meeting.

CARRIED

INFORMATION AND PROGRESS REPORTS

Green Energy Act

Superintendent Baird-Jackson introduced Hugh Cox, Information & Reporting Analyst to present the annual report. The report and appendices highlighted Energy Consumption and Green House Gas Emission, and the Energy Consumption and Demand Management Plan. The reduction target for the next three years of the plan continues to be 4% year over year and will involve activities including occupant behavior, custodial training, construction and retrofit activities, as well as retro commission audits.

Expense Statements

Director Doherty highlighted the monthly report specifically noting item 1.3 which outlines the accounting entries related to the new North Perth Westfield school. Also noted was the expected costs related to the provincially negotiated and ratified employee Collective Agreements. There are still outstanding agreements with the principals and vice principals, as well as the custodial group. Travel related to trustee professional development will now be captured in Trustee Staff Development. In the past these expenses were budgeted in Trustee Supplies & Services. Staff continues to monitor all monthly expenses..

Staff Adjustments

Superintendent Baker presented the report for information. The following new hire was reported: Colin Rankin, Education Centre, Teacher, September 1, 2016

OPSBA Update

Minutes from Board Committees

Finance Committee: June 7, 2016

Correspondence

No correspondence was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Future Board Meetings (at Education Centre unless otherwise noted)

- Tuesday, September 13, 2016 – 5:00 Committee of the Whole – Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole – Open Session
- 4:00 p.m. Regular Board Session

Future Meetings/Events with Trustee Representation (at Education Centre unless otherwise noted)

- SAL: Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.
- Trustee Tour at North Perth Westfield Elementary School: Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.
- Municipal and Community Partners: Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – 3:00 p.m.

At this time Chair Schenk wished everyone a relaxing and safe summer break.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2016 06 104

(N. Rothwell – R. Wagler)

RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

CARRIED

Approved at Seaforth, Ontario
Date approved

Colleen Schenk
Chair of the Board

Ted Doherty
Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board