

AVON MAITLAND DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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MINUTES

6:30 p.m. – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, CLOSED SESSION

7:30 p.m. – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Mornington Central Public School

PRESENT:

Trustees: Laura Bisutti, Colin Carmichael, Lynette Geddes, Robert Hunking, Herb Klassen, Julie Moore, Nancy Rothwell, Colleen Schenk

Absent: Al Sygrove

Senior Staff: Director Lisa Walsh, Superintendents Kim Black, Jane Morris, and Associate Superintendent Cheri Carter

Resource: Sarah Stright

Recording Secretary: Barb Crawford

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schenk called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. and to move into Committee of the Whole, Closed Session.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, CLOSED SESSION

MOTION 2019-04-23-46

(L. Geddes – H. Klassen)

RESOLVED THAT this Board convene into Committee of the Whole, Closed Session at 6:33 p.m.
CARRIED

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

RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

MOTION 2019-04-23-47

(L. Geddes – C. Carmichael)

RESOLVED THAT this Board reconvene into Regular Session at 7:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair Schenk welcomed everyone to this evenings' meeting and thanked Principal David Bennett for hosting the board's off-site meeting. The board plans to hold a fall meeting off-site within the district.

Chair Schenk recited the Opening Statement:

"We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Anishinaabe Peoples. We wish to recognize the long history of Indigenous Peoples in Canada and show our respect to them today. We recognize their stewardship of the land; may we all live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship."

Approval of Agenda

MOTION 2019-04-23-48

(C. Carmichael – L. Bisutti)

RESOLVED THAT the Agenda of the Avon Maitland District School Board meeting be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

No trustee made a declaration of pecuniary interest.

Approval of Minutes**MOTION 2019-04-23-49****(L. Geddes – J. Moore)**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Avon Maitland District School Board meeting held Tuesday, April 9, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED**Business Arising from the Minutes of April 9, 2019**

Trustee Geddes brought forward the Board Policy Review agenda item from the April 9, 2019 Committee of the Whole, Open Session. Trustees agreed to discuss policy #2 re Board Job Description and #3 re Director Education and Secretary to the Board Job Description at the May 7th Open Session.

Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, Report to Board Public Session

Vice-Chair Hunking noted there was nothing to report.

Good News

Trustee Geddes announced the second annual SEAC Transition Fair for youth with special needs, and their families will be held on May 29th from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Seaforth Public School gym.

Superintendent Black announced Rose Thinnakorn, an international student from Thailand attending Mitchell District High School, has recently won gold at the Huron-Perth junior girls badminton held in Stratford.

Trustee Moore recognized students and teachers who participated in the Kiwanis Festival from April 1st to the 25th. Students and staff are to be commended for their excellent performances and their dedication to the Festival. Trustee Moore acknowledged the very unique and special programming at Mornington Central Public School, including the Riverside program, CASE and the addition of grades 7 & 8 to the school. Trustee Moore noted it is an incredible school with great leadership from everyone.

Trustee Carmichael announced Goderich Public School held their second in a series of parent info nights where the school community comes together to talk about various topics. Last week the topic was nutrition. Two registered dieticians presented to the school council.

Trustee Rothwell reported Listowel District Secondary School and Stratford Central Secondary School received various awards at the recent National Theatre School of Canada event held in Barrie.

Staff Presentation

There were no staff presentations.

Public Delegations

There were no delegations.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTIONConsent Items

Vice-Chair Hunking asked for School Year Calendar report to be removed from the Consent Items.

MOTION 2019-04-23-50**(L. Bisutti – H. Klassen)**

RESOLVED THAT the Consent Items be received as presented.

CARRIED

Approval of Tender: Seaforth Public School Windows

Resolved that, the Avon Maitland District School Board accept the tender from Smith Construction, for renovations at Seaforth Public School in the tender amount of \$233,813.95.

Approval of Tender: Huron Centennial Public School Accessible Washroom, Mechanical Renewal, and Library Renewal

Resolved that, the Avon Maitland District School Board accept the tender from SG Cunningham, for accessible washroom and renovations at Huron Centennial Public School in the tender amount of \$485,900.00.

School Year Calendar 2019/2020

Superintendent Morris presented the report. The Committee consisted of representation from the following groups: trustees, administration, employee groups (ETFO, OSSTF, OSSTF-ESS), and students as well as representatives from the Avon Maitland DSB Principals' Association. The Huron-Perth Catholic Board also had representation. The proposed calendar was posted on the board website asking for public consultation. There are seven professional development days scheduled. The school year will commence Tuesday, September 3, 2019 and classes will end Friday, June 26, 2020. The final school year calendar will be available on the board website after this evening's meeting.

MOTION 2019-04-23-51**(C. Carmichael – R. Hunking)**

RESOLVED THAT the Avon Maitland District School Board approve the 2019/2020 Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars.

CARRIED**INFORMATION AND PROGRESS REPORTS****DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:**Expense Statements September 2018 to March 2019

The expense statements were received for information.

Staff Adjustments**Retirements and Resignations**

Name	Location	Position	Effective
Shawn Corbett	Listowel District SS	Teacher	April 30, 2019

New Hires

Name	Location	Position	Effective
Steve Phillips	Central Huron SS	BES-Chief	April 24, 2019
Crystal Barr	Milverton PS	Custodian	April 8, 2019

OPSBA Update

Trustee Klassen reminded trustees of the upcoming OPSBA Annual General Meeting and the call for nominations for OPSBA positions. The positions are posted on the website.

Chair Activity Update

Chair Schenk reported the following activities: April 10th attended the Always Learning Award meeting and note Trustee Rothwell is the chair of this committee; April 12th attended Maitland River Elementary Schools' hoop dancing display and workshops; April 13th attended Western Regional Meeting held at Mornington Central Public School; April 14th attended a reception in honour of Makayla Ainsley, student at Hullett Central Public School; April 15th agenda planning with Vice-Chair and Director; April 16th attended the Alice Monroe meeting, and the Howick School Council meeting.

Senior Staff Updates

Superintendent Morris noted plans are well underway for the annual administration for DELF assessment. This will take place May 6th, 7th and 8th in the Stratford Northwestern Secondary School library. Trustees were invited to drop in any time during the day to visit. There are over 110 students from every secondary school in the district registered for the DELF.

Director Walsh reported that the second Stratford newsletter was released and is intended to notify families of transition year plans for the 2019/2020 school year for Stratford Northwestern and Stratford Central Secondary School students.

Superintendent Black noted the Identity Based Data Collection survey was recently re-issued through paper copies and sent to parents. Information regarding the pilot project will be brought forward to a later board meeting.

Correspondence

- a) Letter to Minister of Education Lisa Thompson
- b) Letter from Huron Perth CDSB Vince MacDonald

NEW BUSINESS**MOTION 2019-04-23-51****(J. Moore – N. Rothwell)**

RESOLVED THAT the Avon Maitland District School Board June 25, 2019 meeting start at 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED**ANNOUNCEMENTS****Future Board Meetings** (at Education Centre unless otherwise noted)

- May 7, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Open Session, 7:30 p.m. Regular Session
- May 28, 2019 – 6:30 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, 7:00 p.m. Student Advisory Committee, 7:30 p.m. Regular Session
- June 11, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Open Session, 7:30 p.m. Regular Session
- June 25, 2019 – 3:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole, Closed Session, 4:30 p.m. Regular Session

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

- PIC: April 24, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.
- HPSTS: April 30, 2019 – 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Huron-Perth CDSB, Dublin
- Municipal and Community Partners: May 28, 2019 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. and Community Partners 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.
- Audit Committee: April 30, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.
- SEAC: Wednesday, May 8, 2019 – 4:00 p.m.
- SAL: May 27, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.
- Finance Committee: May 28, 2019 – 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- Joint Health & Safety: Thursday, May 30, 2019 – 1:30 p.m.
- HPSTS: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 – 4:00 p.m. conference call
- Finance Committee: June 4, 2019 – 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
- AMDSB Recognition Reception: Monday, June 10, 2019 – 5:30 p.m. at Central Huron Community Complex – Libro Centre
- Audit Committee: June 11, 2019 – 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- Finance Committee: June 11, 2019 – 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.
- Student Advisory Committee: June 11, 2019 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.
- Finance Committee: June 24, 2019 – tentative

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 2019-04-23-52

(H. Klassen – L. Bisutti)

RESOLVED THAT this meeting be adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

CARRIED

Approved at Seaforth, Ontario
May 7, 2019

Colleen Schenk
Chair of the Board

Dr. Lisa Walsh
Director of Education and Secretary
of the Board