



Meeting of the Board

Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at 6:15 pm
Schumacher Board Office and Microsoft Teams

MINUTES

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Howard Archibald
Bob Brush
Jonathan Byer
Dennis Draves
Crystal Hewey
Steve Meunier, Chair
Brian Peever
Cindy Pye-Reasbeck, Vice-Chair
Doug Walsh
Larry Wiwchar

EXCUSED TRUSTEE ABSENCES

Rosemary Pochopsky

STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Alexandra Gauthier
Aiesha Hindle
Kateline Litt-Roy

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Lesleigh Dye	Director of Education
Lisa Edwards	Superintendent of Business/Finance and Treasurer
Al McLean	Superintendent of Education and Human Resources
Chad Mowbray	Superintendent of Education
Steven Pladzyk	Superintendent of Education

RECORDING SECRETARY

Melanie Carr	Executive Assistant to the Director of Education Lesleigh Dye
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STAFF PRESENT

Melanie Carr	Executive Assistant to the Director of Education, Lesleigh Dye
Andréanne Denis	Communications Officer
Larry Souliere	Information Services Coordinator



IN-CAMERA SESSION

The In-Camera session meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Pye-Reasbeck.

9056-24 PEEVER / WALSH

THAT this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the whole.

CARRIED

9057-24 HEWEY

THAT this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, in-camera.

CARRIED

9058-24 PEEVER

THAT we now rise and report to the Board.

CARRIED

9059-24 BRUSH / BYER

THAT this Board reconvene in Regular Session.

CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Session meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Vice-Chair Pye-Reasbeck.

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The meeting opened by respectfully acknowledging being situated on the Traditional Territory of the Cree, Ojibway and Oji-Cree people of the Mattagami First Nation, located in Treaty 9 Territory, and the Métis who have chosen to settle in this area.

Vice-Chair Pye-Reasbeck opened the meeting acknowledging the life of the honourable Murray Sinclair, a pivotal figure in the struggle for Indigenous rights and reconciliation in Canada. The Chair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, he played a crucial role in uncovering the painful history of residential schools and advocating for the dignity and rights of Indigenous people. His tireless efforts in promoting understanding and healing between indigenous and non-indigenous communities left a profound impact on the nation inspiring many to engage in meaningful dialogue and action towards reconciliation. We collectively mourn his loss and recognise the enduring significance of his work in fostering justice and equity for indigenous communities.

TRUSTEE ABSENCE

9060-24 DRAVES / HEWEY

THAT the Board approve the absence of the following Trustees from the November 5, 2024, meeting of the Board:
Trustee Pochopsky

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

9061-24 PEEVER / ARCHIBALD

THAT the Board approve the agenda for the Meeting of the Board dated November 5, 2024.

CARRIED



DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Trustees were asked to declare conflicts of interest as they arise and must do so in writing in the log kept in the Chair's office.

Trustees declaring a conflict are to disconnect from Microsoft Teams at the time of the discussion and will receive a text from the Director of Education / Secretary of the Board when they are welcome to join.

CONSENT AGENDA

9062-24 WALSH / WIWCHAR

THAT the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

Consent Agenda Items for Approval:

2.1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held October 22, 2024

2.2 Minutes of the Human Resources Committee Meeting held October 22, 2024

Consent Agenda Items for Receipt:

2.3 Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Report

CARRIED

REPORTS

Chair Report

NIL

Director Report

Director Dye provided a report highlighting the three priorities of equity, culture, and innovation.

DSB1 is gathering input for its 2025-2029 strategic plan, with 1,883 responses on their ThoughtExchange. The partnership with the Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) continues, providing medical students and residents access to the Timiskaming District Secondary School's Healthcare Simulation Lab.

Staff recognition days were celebrated, including National Bus Driver Appreciation Day and Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day. A heartwarming story shared how a bus driver and monitor learned American Sign Language to communicate with a hearing-impaired student.

A new collaboration with Pavilion Women's Centre, Ellevive, and Timmins and Area Women in Crisis (TAWC) on the "Coaching Boys Into Men" program, will invite secondary schools to participate. DSB1 also partners with Taykwa Tagamou Nation to support their alternative education program, helping students earn a secondary school diploma

9063-24 DRAVES / HEWEY

THAT the Board receive the Director Report

CARRIED

Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Hindle took on a leadership role during the senate meeting and had the opportunity to introduce the presenter, Indigenous Lead Jill Plaunt who spoke to Indigenous workshop opportunities in the future and previous successes. It was very well received, with all



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students being respectful and engaged. Moving forward, the senate would like to include all students in workshops and not only have students who identify as Indigenous.

Student Trustee Gauthier updated the senate status with the southern region having all positions filled and few remaining for the 2024-2025 school year. Student Trustee Gauthier will be leading professional development sessions at OSTA-AECO's Fall General Meeting from Thursday to Sunday.

Student Trustee Litt-Roy provided an update on the Student Senate meeting and looks forward to planning and future meetings.

9064-24 PEEVER / ARCHIBALD

THAT the Board receive the Student Trustee Report
CARRIED

MONITORING

9065-24 WALSH / WIWCHAR

THAT the Board receive the Specialist High Skills
Major (SHSM) Presentation
CARRIED

9066-24 BYER / BRUSH

THAT the Board receive the Summer Learning
Update
CARRIED

9067-24 HEWEY / PEEVER

THAT the Board receive the Math Achievement
Action Plan
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

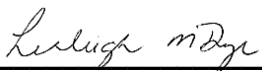
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ADJOURNMENT

9068-24 WALSH / WIWCHAR

THAT we do now adjourn.
CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18p.m.



SECRETARY OF THE BOARD



CHAIR OF THE BOARD