



Meeting of the Board

Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 6:15 pm
Schumacher Board Office and Microsoft Teams

MINUTES

TRUSTEES PRESENT

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

EXCUSED TRUSTEE ABSENCES

NIL

STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Alexandra Gauthier
Aiesha Hindle

STUDENT TRUSTEE ABSENCES

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 5:45 p.m. by Vice-Chair Pye-Reasbeck.

9069-24 MEUNIER / WALSH

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

CARRIED

9070-24 PEEVER

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

CARRIED

9071-24 BYER

THAT we now rise and report to the Board.

CARRIED

9072-24 BRUSH / WALSH

THAT this Board reconvene in Regular Session.

CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Session meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Director Dye, Secretary of the Board.

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.

TRUSTEE ABSENCE

NIL

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

9073-24 POCHOPSKY / MEUNIER

THAT the Board approve the agenda for the Organizational Meeting of the Board dated November 19, 2024, as amended.

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.

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

9074-24 HEWEY / BYER

THAT Superintendents Edwards and McLean be appointed as scrutineers.

CARRIED



ELECTION OF CHAIR

Director Dye called for nominations three times.

Trustee Peever nominated Trustee Pye-Reasbeck for the position of Chair of the Board.

9075-24 BRUSH / DRAVES

THAT nominations for Chair be closed
CARRIED

Trustee Pye-Reasbeck accepted the nomination for position of Chair of the Board.

9076-24 MEUNIER / ARCHIBALD

THAT Trustee Pye-Reasbeck be acclaimed as
Chair of District School Board Ontario North East.
CARRIED

Remarks from the Chair

Trustee Pye-Reasbeck thanked outgoing Chair Meunier. Former Chair Meunier thanked the Board of Trustees and senior staff for trust in him over the past year. He enjoyed it immensely and took on major projects, as busy as it was, it was truly rewarding as well. He wished Chair Pye-Reasbeck success in her new role.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Trustee Pye-Reasbeck formally took the Chair to preside over further business and called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Board.

Chair called for nominations three times.

Trustee Brush nominated Trustee Byer for the position of Vice-Chair of the Board

9077-24 WALSH / WIWCHAR

THAT nominations for Vice-Chair be closed.
CARRIED

Trustee Byer accepted the nomination for position of Vice-Chair of the Board.

9078-24 PEEVER / WIWCHAR

THAT Trustee Byer be acclaimed as Vice-Chair of
District School Board Ontario North East.
CARRIED

Remarks from the Vice-Chair

CHEQUE SIGNING AUTHORITIES

9079-24 HEWEY / WALSH

THAT the Board appoint Cindy Pye-Reasbeck,
Chair of the Board and Superintendent Edwards,
Treasurer of the Board as cheque signing
authorities.

CARRIED



ALTERNATE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Chair called for nominations three times.

Trustee Meunier nominated Vice-Chair Byer for the position of Alternate Chair of the Board

9080-24 WALSH / DRAVES

THAT nominations for Alternate Chair be closed

CARRIED

9081-24 BRUSH / PEEVER

THAT Vice-Chair Byer be acclaimed as Alternate Chair of District School Board Ontario North East.

CARRIED

ALTERNATE VICE-CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Chair called for nominations three times.

Trustee Hewey nominated herself for the position of Alternate Vice-Chair of the Board.

Vice-Chair Byer nominated Trustee Brush for the position of Alternate Vice-Chair of the Board.

9082-24 BRUSH / ARCHIBALD

THAT nominations for Alternate Vice-Chair be closed

CARRIED

Trustee Brush respectfully declined the nomination for position of Alternate Vice-Chair of the Board.

Trustee Hewey accepted the nomination for position of Alternate Vice-Chair of the Board.

9083-24 WIWCHAR / DRAVES

THAT Trustee Hewey be acclaimed as Alternate Vice-Chair of District School Board Ontario North East.

CARRIED

CONSENT AGENDA

9084-24 HEWEY / PEEVER

THAT the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

Consent Agenda Items for approval:

2.1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board:

November 5, 2024

2.2 Minutes of the Finance and Property Committee Meeting: November 5, 2024

2.4 Borrowing Resolution

2.5 Cash Disbursements: October 2024

2.8 Trustee Expenses

Consent Agenda Items for receipt:

2.3 Minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee Meeting: February 16, 2022



2.4 Minutes of the Special Education Advisory
Committee Meeting: September 4, 2024
2.7 Procedure 1.2.22: Hiring
2.9 Ontario Public School Boards' Association
(OPSBA) Report

CARRIED

REPORTS

Chair Report NIL

Director's Report

Director Dye provided a report surrounding the three strategic priorities of culture, equity and innovation. All DSB1 schools honoured Remembrance Day in beautiful ways. DSB1 Accessibility Committee met on November 8 to discuss and update the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan.

The Council of Directors of Education (CODE) has introduced a new Ministry-funded role of a Human Rights Equity Advisor (HREA). This advisor will be beneficial to districts that do not have the role funded such a DSB1.

DSB1 is proud to be the first district in Ontario to have a complete electrical circuit map done in all buildings.

9085-24 PEEVER / BRUSH

THAT the Board receive the Director Report

CARRIED

Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Northern Regional Council Meeting Report

Chair Pye-Reasbeck, Trustee Draves and Trustee Pochopksy provided a report highlighting the OPSBA Northern Regional Council Meeting.

9086-24 BYER / MEUNIER

THAT the Board receive the OPSBA Northern Regional Council meeting report.

CARRIED

Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Hindle had the opportunity to attend the Indigenous Peoples' Advisory Committee meeting where members visited the lodge at Timmins High and Vocational School and had a meal prepared by Chef Johl Whiteduck. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend OSTA-AECO's Fall General Meeting in Toronto, seeing her position of student Trustee is less of a megaphone, but a way to cultivate a means for students to advocate for themselves. Student Trustee Hindle is looking forward to the upcoming Student Senate meeting, where Senators will bring two items representing themselves and how they are known within the student community and educating Senators about thoughtful advocacy.



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Student Trustee Gauthier had the privilege to attend OSTA-AECO's Fall General meeting where she had the opportunity to facilitate sessions, specifically working on teaching for better habits for public speaking as well as a co-presentation with Kathleen Woodcock and the general assembly of OSTA-AECO. Student Trustee Gauthier thanked the Board for making travel to conferences possible, despite the distance to travel from Northern Ontario.

The Student Senate will introduce working groups for the 2024-2025 school year, where a subcommittee will be specifically working on what the student senate is, the work that is done and how to engage with senators at all times while working toward engagement, recruitment and retention.

9087-24 PEEVER / POCHOPSKY

THAT the Board receive the Student Trustee Report.

CARRIED

MONITORING

9088-24 WALSH / ARCHIBALD

THAT the Board receive the Strategic Plan Vignette.

CARRIED

9089-24 BRUSH / MEUNIER

THAT the Board receive the 2024-2025 Strategic Plan Monitoring Presentation.

CARRIED

9090-24 WIWCHAR / HEWEY

THAT the Board receive the Learn Style Initiative Update.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

9091-24 WALSH / MEUNIER

THAT the Board approve the DSB1 Brand Identity Project as presented, with final design approval by the Board of Trustees.

Recorded Vote

Trustee	For	Against
Archibald	x	
Brush		x
Byer	x	
Draves		x
Hewey		x
Meunier	x	
Peever		x
Pochopsky		x
Pye-Reasbeck	x	
Walsh	x	
Wiwchar		x
Gauthier	x	
Hindle	x	

DEFEATED



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9092-24 MEUNIER / PEEVER

THAT the Board receive the revised By-Law No. 7:
Electronic Meetings.

CARRIED

9093-24 WIWCHAR / POCHOPKSY

THAT the Board receive the accumulated surplus
report.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

9094-24 HEWEY / ARCHIBALD

THAT we do now adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'L. M. Dye', positioned above a horizontal line.

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Joanne Egan', positioned above a horizontal line.

CHAIR OF THE BOARD