



Meeting of the Board

Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 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

STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Alexandra Gauthier
Aiesha Hindle

STUDENT TRUSTEES ABSENT

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 Demers Executive Assistant to the Director of Education Lesleigh Dye

STAFF PRESENT

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



IN-CAMERA SESSION

NIL

CALL TO ORDER

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

9204-25 MEUNIER / WALSH

THAT the Board resolve into a committee of the whole

CARRIED

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

9205-25 POCHOPSKY / HEWEY

THAT the Board approve the agenda for the Meeting of the Board dated May 6, 2025.

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

9206-25 BRUSH / HEWEY

THAT the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

Consent Agenda Items for approval:

2.1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held April 15, 2025

2.2 Minutes of the Finance and Property Committee Meeting held April 15, 2025

2.3 Minutes of the By-Law Review Committee Meeting held April 15, 2025

2.4 Policy 1.2.6 – Principal and Vice-Principal Transfer

2.5 Policy 1.2.13 – Criminal Background Check

Consent Agenda Items for receipt:

2.6 Procedure 2.1.11 Student Travel – Field Trips

2.7 Procedure 3.1.7 – Trustee Expenses

CARRIED



REPORTS

9207-25 PEEVER / WALSH

THAT the Board receive the Chair Report

CARRIED

9208-25 HEWEY / ARCHIBALD

THAT the Board receive the Director's Report

CARRIED

Student Trustee Report

Chair Pye-Reasbeck congratulated Student Trustee Aiesha Hindle on winning a logo design contest with Kunuwanimano.

Student Trustees held the Student Senate meeting in-person last week with Student Trustee elections taking place. All schools have representation for the 2025-2026 school year.

Student Trustee Hindle expressed pride and thanked the Student Senate for their work this year. She shared a quote she wrote down at the beginning of her term "A leader feels most proud for the things that they cannot take credit for themselves".

The Turtle Concepts meeting will be postponed until next year.

9209-25 POCHOPSKY / PEEVER

THAT the Board receive the Student Trustee Report

CARRIED

9210-25 WIWCHAR / MAUNIER

THAT the Board receive the CODE Ontario Education Staffing Crisis Presentation

CARRIED

MONITORING

9211-25 HEWEY / WIWCHAR

THAT the Board receive the Special Education Presentation

CARRIED

9212-25 BRUSH / PEEVER

THAT the Board receive the Strategic Plan Vignette

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

9213-25 ARCHIBALD / WALSH

THAT the Board approve the election of the following students as Student Trustees for the 2025-2026 school year:

Sawsan Alahmed, from Timmins High and Vocational School for the two-year term Student Trustee

Andrew Cull from Timiskaming District Secondary School for the one-year term Student Trustee



Summer Nickoshie, from Ecole Secondaire
Cochrane High School for the one-year term
Indigenous Student Trustee

CARRIED

OPSBA Board of Director
Chair Pye-Reasbeck opened nominations

Trustee Hewey nominated Trustee Pochopsky. Trustee Pochopsky accepted the nomination

9214-25 MEUNIER / PEEVER

THAT nominations for OPSBA Board of Director be
closed

CARRIED

9215-25 HEWEY / BYER

THAT Trustee Pochopsky be appointed to the
OPSBA Board of Directors for the upcoming 2025-
2026 term, effective May 6, 2025

CARRIED

OPSBA Delegate
Chair Pye-Reasbeck opened nominations
Trustee Pochopsky self nominated.

9216-25 HEWEY / MEUNIER

THAT nominations for OPSBA Delegate be closed

CARRIED

9217-25 PEEVER / HEWEY

THAT Trustee Pochopsky be appointed OPSBA
Delegate for the upcoming 2025-2026 term, effective
May 6, 2025

CARRIED

OPSBA Alternate Delegate
Chair Pye-Reasbeck opened nominations

Trustee Pochopsky nominated Chair Pye-Reasbeck. Chair Pye-Reasbeck accepted the
nomination.

9218-25 BRUSH / WALSH

THAT nominations for OPSBA Alternate Delegate be
closed

CARRIED

9219-25 POCHOPSKY / MEUNIER

THAT Chair Pye-Reasbeck be appointed OPSBA
Alternate Delegate for the upcoming 2025-2026 term,
effective May 6, 2025

CARRIED

9220-25 PEEVER / HEWEY

THAT the Board receive the Letter to the Minister of
Education: Ontario Regulation 463/97 Electronic
Meetings and Meeting Attendance

CARRIED



District School Board
Ontario North East

ADJOURNMENT
9221-25 ARCHIBALD

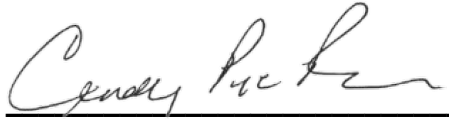
THAT we do now adjourn

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



SECRETARY OF THE BOARD



CHAIR OF THE BOARD