District School Board
Ontario North East

Meeting of the Board

Tuesday, September 9, 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

NIL

STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Sawsan Alahmed
Andrew Cull
Summer Nickoshie

STUDENT TRUSTEES ABSENT

NIL

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Lesleigh Dye	Director of Education
Lisa Edwards	Superintendent of Business/Finance and Treasurer
Kirsten Elvestad	Superintendent of Education
Al McLean	Superintendent of Education and Human Resources
Chad Mowbray	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
The In-Camera session meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Vice-Chair Byer.

9273-25 BRUSH / HEWEY — **THAT** the Board resolve into a Committee of the whole.

CARRIED

9274-25 PEEVER / POCHOPSKY — **THAT** the Board resolve into a committee of the whole, in-camera

CARRIED

9275-25 MEUNIER / HEWEY — **THAT** we now rise and report to the Board.

CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER
The Regular Session meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Chair Pye-Reasbeck

9276-25 PEEVER / MEUNIER — **THAT** the Board reconvene in regular session

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
9277-25 POCHOPSKY / HEWEY — **THAT** the Board approve the agenda for the Meeting of the Board dated September 9, 2025, 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.

STUDENT TRUSTEE SWEARING IN
Student Trustees recited the Declaration and Oath of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

9278-25 PEEVER / MEUNIER

THAT the Board approve the consent agenda as follows:

Consent Agenda Items for approval:

2.1 Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held June 24, 2025
2.2 Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board held July 8, 2025
2.3 Authorization for School Closure

Consent Agenda Items for receipt:

2.5 Cash Disbursements Report – June, July 2025

CARRIED

REPORTS

9279-25 HEWEY / WALSH

THAT the Board receive the Chair Report

CARRIED

9280-25 ARCHIBALD / BRUSH

THAT the Board receive the Director Report

CARRIED

Student Trustee Report

Student Trustees provided an update regarding the upcoming school year. Student Trustees met with Superintendent Mowbray to plan dates for monthly Student Senate meetings and mapping the school year.

9281-25 HEWEY / PEEVER

THAT the Board receive the Student Trustee Report

CARRIED

9282-25 WIWCHAR / BYER

THAT the Board receive the 2025 Summer Learning Report

CARRIED

9283-25 WALSH / POCHOPSKY

THAT the Board receive the 2025-2026 Organizational Chart

CARRIED

MONITORING

4.1 2024-2025 Strategic Plan Year at a Glance
4.2 Bringing Our Strategic Plan to Life

OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Waterloo Region DSB: Letter to the Minister of Education: Funding
5.2 Metis Nation of Ontario Timmins Council: Letter to DSB1 Trustees and Staff

5.3 CRA User Approval

9284-25 WIWCHAR / MEUNIER

THAT the Board approve CRA online access to Charles Trudel, Manager of Financial Services.

CARRIED

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5.4 Leave of Absence

9285-25 PEEVER / POCHOPSKY

THAT the Board approve Chair Pye-Reasbeck's leave of absence

CARRIED

5.5 Chair Appointment

9286-25 DRAVES / HEWEY

THAT the Board approve the appointment of Vice-Chair Byer to perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chair of the Board during Chair Cindy Pye-Reasbeck's approved leave of absence, in accordance with Board By-Law No. 1 and the Education Act until the organizational meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, effective September 16, 2025.

CARRIED

5.6 Vice-Chair Appointment

9287-25 MEUNIER / BRUSH

THAT the Board approve the appointment of Alternate Vice-Chair Hewey to perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Vice-Chair of the Board during Chair Cindy Pye-Reasbeck's approved leave of absence, in accordance with Board By-Law No. 1 and the Education Act until the organizational meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, effective September 16, 2025.

CARRIED

5.7 Cheque Signing Authority

9288-25 WIWCHAR / POCHOPSKY

THAT the Board appoint Jonathan Byer, Chair of the Board as cheque signing authority effective September 16, 2025

CARRIED

5.8 OSBIE Board of Directors & Voting Delegate

Chair Byer nominated Trustee Draves; Trustee Draves accepted the nomination

9290-25 WIWCHAR / POCHOPSKY

THAT nominations for OSBIE voting delegate be closed.

CARRIED

9289-25 BRUSH / MEUNIER

THAT Trustee be acclaimed as OSBIE Voting Delegate, if required.

CARRIED

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

9291-25 ARCHIBALD

THAT we do now adjourn

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Lesleigh McDuff

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

Cindy Pye-Reasbeck

CHAIR OF THE BOARD