

Upper Grand District School Board
Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 30, 2018
Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Grand District School Board was held on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 in the Board Room at 500 Victoria Road North, Guelph, starting at 7:00 p.m. All Trustees were present. Trustee Lustgarten Evoy attended via teleconference. Student Trustees Caitlin Ennis and Allison Cai were not in attendance.

Traditional Greeting

Opening Prayer/Reading

Trustee Cooper shared a poem entitled Walking with Purpose.

Condolences

Trustee Busuttill, Chair, reported that condolences were sent on behalf of the Board to the following: Ron Aimola, Ontario Youth Apprentice Program Coordinator on the loss of his father; Sherri VanSickle, custodian at Erin PS on the loss of her mother; Jim Newton, teacher at J.D. Hogarth PS on the loss of his father; Valerie Smith, Principal at Glenbrook ES on the loss of her father-in-law; Scott Gaidies, teacher at Ross R. MacKay PS on the loss of his father-in-law; Colleen Craig, teacher at Centennial CVI on the loss of her mother; Doris Aitken, Co-op Curriculum Leader on the loss of her father; and the family of Gloria Humphrey, Coordinator of Special Education under the former Dufferin County Board of Education.

Good News

Dr. Rogers highlighted the good news as follows:

Beyond Borders [Board website]

Students from Beyond Borders held a gala called “Ambition” at the River Run on January 13, 2018. This amazing group of students raised over \$48,000 for Twin Transfusion Syndrome at Mount Sinai, Syrian Refugees and Sick Kids Hospital. Congratulations!

Wellington Heights SS [Board website]

The 16th Warm Winter Wishes fundraiser at Wellington Heights SS was a huge success for the grade 12 Business Leadership class. With amazing school participation, support from the community and local businesses, and money raised during 24 fundraising activities, the Warm Winter Wishes project raised over \$35,000.

École Arbour Vista PS [Guelph Today – Jan. 18, 2018]

Ethan, a student from École Arbour Vista PS was named as a finalist in CBC's The First Page student writing competition. For the contest, students were asked to write the first page of a novel set 150 years in the future. Ethan's entry was entitled *Trapped*. He wrote about the aftermath of nuclear war and a search for survivors in the ruins of Guelph circa 2167. *Trapped* is one of 10 finalists in the Grades 7 to 9 category of the contest.

New High School for Guelph [website]

On January 19, 2018, the Honorable Minister Sandals, MPP for Guelph visited the Board office to announce that the Province of Ontario will be investing in a new Upper Grand DSB secondary school to be located in the south-end of Guelph. The school will cost approximately \$25.5 million and will accommodate nearly 900 secondary students. Trustee Busuttil, Chair of the Board, thanked the Provincial government and the Ministry of Education on behalf of the Board. Director of Education Rogers expressed thanks to the Ministry of Education and to Minister Sandals, on behalf of the students, staff and parents of the Upper Grand DSB. She also expressed special thanks to Manager of Planning Passy for her persistence in submitting a business case four times in a row to advocate for the new secondary school for Guelph.

Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) President's Award

On January 26, 2018, Trustees Moziar and Schieck received the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) President's Award in recognition of their dedication to public education. This award honours Trustees who have stood by their vision and selflessly given of themselves to the students and parents of Ontario for more than 25 years. Congratulations to Trustees Moziar and Schieck.

Confirmation of the Agenda

Trustee Fairbairn moved, seconded by Trustee Cooper, that the agenda be confirmed as printed.

The motion carried.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting Held December 19, 2017

Trustee Schieck moved, seconded by Trustee Bailey that the minutes of the meeting held December 19, 2017, and the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held immediately prior to the Board meeting, be approved as printed.

The motion carried.

Ratification of Business Transacted by the Committee of the Whole In Camera

Trustee Topping moved, seconded by Trustee MacNeil, that the business transacted by the Committee of the Whole In Camera be now ratified by the Board.

The motion carried.

Motion to Rise and Sit in Committee of the Whole

Trustee Cooper moved, seconded by Trustee Schieck that the Board rise and sit in Committee of the Whole with the Chairperson presiding.

The motion carried.

Program Committee

Trustee Moziar moved that the minutes of the Program Committee held January 9, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

Trustee Moziar moved that:

1. The verbal update from Student Trustees be received, with thanks.
2. The verbal update on Mental Health be received.
3. The verbal update on One Voice One Team be received, with thanks.
4. The verbal update on UGDSB Equity Plan be received, with thanks.
5. The verbal OPSBA update be received.

The motion carried.

Business Operations Committee

Trustee MacNeil moved that the minutes of the Business Operations Committee held January 16, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

Trustee MacNeil moved that:

1. Memo PLN: 18-01 “Long Term Accommodation Plan (LTAP) Background Report & Public Engagement Plan” dated January 16, 2018 be received.
2. The Public Engagement Plan as described in memo PLN: 18-01 “Long Term Accommodation Plan (LTAP) Background Report & Public Engagement Plan” be approved.

The motion carried.

Student Transportation

Trustee Busuttil advised that in December 2017, the Ministry of Education released a discussion paper on a new vision for student transportation in Ontario, where feedback was invited. Due to the interest of Trustees, it was agreed that a workshop date would be set to discuss this issue, and compile a collective response. Trustees Cooper, Schieck, Topping, Moziar, MacNeil and White expressed interest in this initiative. It was reported that feedback needed to be forwarded to the Ministry of Education by the 29th of March, 2018.

Secondary Principal/Vice-Principal Transfers and Appointments

Director of Education Rogers advised that, in the In Camera session earlier this evening the Board received Secondary Principal/Vice-Principal Transfers and Appointments as follows:

Principal Transfers

Name	From	To
Julie Prendergast	Principal, Guelph CVI	Human Resources Manager of Secondary Staffing and Recruitment

Principal Appointment

Name	From	To
Robert Scott	Vice-Principal, Guelph CVI	Principal, Guelph CVI

Vice-Principal Appointments

Name	From	To
Lisa Sanvido	Vice-Principal (temporary), Orangeville DSS	Vice-Principal, Orangeville DSS
Heather Ginzel	Curriculum Leader Secondary (Equity Lead), Board Office	Vice-Principal, Centre Wellington DHS
April King	Supervised Alternative Program, Centennial CVI	Vice-Principal (temporary), Guelph CVI
Kathryn Lloyd	Teacher, Westside Secondary School	Vice-Principal (temporary), Norwell DSS

Special Education Advisory Committee

Trustee MacNeil moved that the minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee held January 10, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

French as a Second Language Advisory Committee (FSLAC)

Trustee Cooper moved that the minutes of the French as a Second Language Advisory Committee (FSLAC) January 8, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

Policy Management Committee

Trustee MacNeil moved that the minutes of the Policy Management Committee held January 9, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

Trustee MacNeil moved that:

1. Policy 708 Allowable Expenses be approved.

2. Policy 310 Display of Flags be approved.
3. Policy 210 Environmental Education and Management be received and released for public consultation.
4. The report "Policy Public Consultation Plan for 210 Environmental Education and Management" dated January 9, 2018 be received.
5. The report "Policy Public Consultation Plan for 210 Environmental Education and Management" dated January 9, 2018 be approved.
6. Policy 405 Transfer of Principals and Vice-Principals be approved.

The motion carried.

Chairs' Committee Meeting

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the minutes of the Chairs' Committee Meeting held January 16, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

Staff Retirements and Resignations

Executive Officer of Human Resources Rose presented the Staff Retirements and Resignations report dated January 30, 2018.

Trustee Schieck moved that the Staff Retirements and Resignations report Appendix A and Appendix B dated January 30, 2018 be received, with thanks for the many years of service.

The motion carried.

Student Trustee Committee Representation

Trustee Bailey moved that the following Student Trustees sit on the following committees:

Learning Choices Committee, Caitlin Ennis

Safe Equitable and Inclusive Schools Committee, Caitlin Ennis

School Safety Patrol Committee, Allison Cai

Board Correspondence

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the Board Correspondence dated January 30, 2018 be received.

The motion carried.

Trustee Questions and Reports

Trustees White and MacNeil congratulated staff and students for the wonderful job done on the Grade 8 parents' nights.

Trustee Busuttil reported that at the OPSBA Public Education Symposium, policy on use of Board resources was discussed, as well as a launch of new Trustee Professional Development module on Indigenous history. Colinda Clyne delivered the presentation, and it was suggested that, if Trustees were interested, that Colinda walk Trustees through the modules.

Trustee Busuttil advised that, further to the Chairs' Meeting held earlier this month, she reached out to Municipalities to commence joint meetings. It was suggested and agreed that she plan a breakfast meeting with the City of Guelph to discuss mutual issues and concerns.

Earlier this week, Environmental Sustainability Lead Acton put forth a challenge to all employees and Trustees for an eco-goal. It was agreed that Trustee Busuttil would email Trustees for their input, and encourage participation in the eco-goal. The deadline for submission is Friday of this week.

The motion carried.

Dates of Future Meetings

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the February 2018 schedule for Board and Standing Committee Meetings be approved as follows:

Program Committee	February 6, 2018
Business Operations	February 13, 2018
Board Meeting	February 27, 2018

The motion carried.

Trustee Busuttil advised that the Education Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium is scheduled for April 26 and 27, and that Trustees need to book soon.

Trustee Fairbairn advised that the Summit on Children and Youth Mental Health is scheduled for April 12 and 13, 2018.

Trustee Cooper moved that the Dates of Future Meetings dated January 30, 2018 be received, with the above noted additions.

The motion carried.

Motion to Rise and Report to the Board

Trustee Bailey moved that the Committee of the Whole rise and report to the Board.

The motion carried.

Ratification of Business

Trustee Topping moved, seconded by Trustee Moziar that the business transacted by the Committee of the Whole be now ratified by the Board.

The motion carried.

Adjournment

Trustee White moved, seconded by Trustee MacNeil that the Board adjourn and this meeting now close at 7:40 p.m.

The motion carried.

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