# Upper Grand District School Board Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 22, 2018 Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Upper Grand District School Board was held on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 in the Board Room at 500 Victoria Road North, Guelph, starting at 7:10 p.m. All Trustees were present. Trustees Cooper, Lustgarten Evoy and MacNeil attended via teleconference. Student Trustees Caitlin Ennis and Allison Cai were also in attendance.

## **Traditional Greeting**

## **Opening Prayer**

With the aid of a piece of pottery created and designed by Steve Smith, Celine, Trustee Schieck's granddaughter, explained the significance and history of the various components in the art on the pottery, as viewed from an Indigenous culture.

#### Condolences

Trustee Busuttil, Chair, reported that condolences were sent on behalf of the Board to the following: Connie Eberhardt, Office Coordinator currently on leave at Ross R. MacKay PS on the loss of her father-in-law; the family of Roger McFadden, Custodian; Robb Graham, Teacher at Brant Ave. PS on the loss of his wife; The family of Jordan MacDougall Camplin, former student Trustee; and Sharon MacDougall, teacher at Victoria Cross PS, on the loss of her daughter.

#### **Good News**

Dr. Rogers highlighted the Good News as follows:

Guelph CVI (Heather Loney, Board Website)

Students in Guelph CVI's electric vehicle program have taken their talent across the border. On April 27, 16 students along with Guelph CVI teachers Matt Lyle, Daniel Crabbe, Dennis Ashley, as well as Secondary Curriculum Leader Charles Benyair, travelled to Michigan to compete in the National Electric Cart Association racing series. The school was invited to attend and compete against 23 of the top cars in the U.S. For the past few years, Manufacturing Technology students at Guelph CVI have been learning to build electric vehicles, as part of the Board's Specialist High Skills Major program. They design and build an electric vehicle that is completely battery-powered. They also compete in races, trying to run as many laps as possible on a single charge. At the NECA race, the Guelph CVI team raced well throughout the day, finishing in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> place. The team did amazingly well for their first U.S. competition. They are

looking forward to future competitions in the U.S. and next year will race with a brand new car, built strictly for competing in the States.

# <u>College Heights SS</u> (Heather Loney, Board Website)

College Heights SS has been chosen as the winner for Skills Ontario's Landscape Community Involvement Project. Skills Ontario Community Involvement Projects encourage youth to develop critical skills for their future, all while enhancing their local communities. An overarching goal of all of these projects is to make communities more inclusive spaces for everyone. At College Heights SS, students from the Green Industries SHSM program teamed up with Construction students to plan, collaborate, and support each other while working on a multi-phased landscaping project. The school had already completed the first phase of the project, which included raised planting beds and garden beds that were designed, built and installed on the school grounds. Phase two of the project included the installation of two gazebos and will eventually incorporate additional planting beds and cedar benches. In being named the successful school in the landscaping category, College Heights SS has won a truckload of paving stones, and will use those materials in the next phase of the landscaping project.

# Centennial CVI (Heather Loney, Board website)

A grade 9 student from Centennial CVI has been recognized at a distinguished national mathematics contest. Andy recently received an Honourable Mention at the 50<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mathematical Olympiad. Nearly 90 students from 50 different schools participated in the competition this March. Students were selected to participate in the competition based on their results in qualifying challenges. Andy was among 31 students at Centennial CVI to participate in the qualifiers. He had the top score in the school and his results were in the 97<sup>th</sup> percentile of all writers. What's even more remarkable is that Andy is in grade 9 and these math contests are typically geared toward senior students. Congratulations Andy!

# Norwell District SS (Norwell DSS website)

Peter and Breanna, along with staff advisor Betty Douglas travelled to Atlanta Georgia April 20-26<sup>th</sup> to complete in DECA International. DECA is an international association of high school and college students and teachers of marketing, management and entrepreneurship in business, finance, hospitality, and marketing sales and service. DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in these areas in high schools and colleges around the globe. Peter and Brenna competed at the Atlanta World Congress Centre in the Virtual Forensics Accounting category where they were evaluated on speed and accuracy. The pair finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall coming in just milliseconds after the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams.

## Minto Clifford PS

Minto Clifford PS exceeded its goal by more than \$1,000 for this year's Jump Rope for Heart campaign, raising over \$10,000.

## <u>Upper Grand Students</u> (Board website)

Upper Grand DSB schools have excelled at MusicFest Canada's National competition. The competition brings together thousands of students and staff from across Canada for a week of musical performances. Winning national silver medals were Centennial CVI's Senior Symphonic Winds Band, Guelph CVI's Jr. Symphonic Band, Guelph CVI's Stage Band and Guelph CVI's Chamber Choir. Guelph CVI's Sr. Symphonic Band won a bronze medal. Congratulations to all of the performers!

## **Confirmation of the Agenda**

Trustee Fairbairn moved, seconded by Trustee White, 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 April 24, 2018

Trustee Topping moved, seconded by Trustee Bailey, that the minutes of the meeting held April 24, 2018, 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 Fairbairn moved, seconded by Trustee Schieck, 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 Moziar moved, seconded by Trustee Topping, 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 May 1, 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, with thanks.
- 3. The verbal FSL Plan, Elementary and Secondary FSL Review be received.
- 4. The Revision of the Annual French Review Process Flow Chart be received.
- 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 May 8, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

#### Trustee MacNeil moved that:

- 1. Memo PLN: 18-12 "Boundary Housekeeping Amendment Rockwood Centennial PS/Eramosa PS" dated May 8, 2018 be received.
- 2. The Board approve the attendance area boundary maps which implement the housekeeping boundary amendment as follows:
  - a) the English JK-5 attendance area boundary for Rockwood Centennial PS as shown on Map 4 of Appendix A,
  - b) the English Grade 6 attendance area boundary for Rockwood Centennial PS as shown on Map 5 of Appendix A, and

- c) the English JK-6 attendance area boundary for Eramosa PS as shown on Map 6 of Appendix A.
- 3. Memo PLN: 18-09, "Abridged Elementary and Secondary Identified Schools Report 2018-19" dated May 8, 2018 be received.
- 4. The verbal report on flying of the Pride Flag be received.
- 5. The verbal update on the Secondary Program Review be received.

The motion carried.

# **Special Education Advisory Committee**

Trustee MacNeil moved that the minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee held May 9, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

# French as a Second Language Advisory Committee (FSLAC)

### Minutes of May 7, 2018

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the minutes of the French as a Second Language Advisory Committee (FSLAC) meeting May 7, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

# **Policy Management Committee**

Trustee MacNeil moved that the minutes of the Policy Management Committee held May 1, 2018 be received and considered.

The motion carried.

#### Trustee MacNeil moved that:

- 1. Policy 104 Access to School Premises be received and released for public consultation.
- 2. The report "Policy Public Consultation Plan for Policy 104 Access to School Premises" dated May 1, 2018 be received.
- 3. The report "Policy Public Consultation Plan for Policy 104 Access to School Premises" dated May 1, 2018 be approved.
- 4. Policy 214 Accessibility Standards be approved.

- 5. Policy 517 Service Dogs for Students be approved.
- 6. Protocol P.06 Protocol for Service Dogs in Schools for Students with Special Needs be rescinded.

The motion carried.

# Elementary Principal, Vice-Principal Transfers and Appointments, and Secondary Vice-Principal Transfers

Director of Education Rogers advised that, at the May 8, 2018, In Camera Session of the Business Operations meeting, Elementary Principal and Vice-Principal Transfers, Elementary Principal and Vice-Principal Appointments, and Secondary Vice-Principal transfers were received. Also, in the In Camera session earlier this evening, Trustees received an Elementary Principal Transfers Report.

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the report entitled Elementary Principal, Vice-Principal Transfers and Appointments and the Secondary Vice-Principal transfers dated May 2, 2018 be received.

The motion carried.

# Audit Committee Minutes of May 15, 2018

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the Audit Committee Minutes of May 15, 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 May 22, 2018.

Trustee Schieck moved that the Staff Retirements and Resignations report Appendix A and Appendix B dated May 22, 2018 be received with thanks for the many years of service.

The motion carried.

# Trustee Representation on the Secondary Program Review Committee

Trustee Busuttil asked for volunteers to sit on the Secondary Review Committee.

Guelph: Trustee Moziar with Trustee Fairbairn as alternate

Centre Wellington: Trustee Cooper, with Trustees Lustgarten Evoy and Schieck

as alternates

Dufferin: Trustee White with Trustee Topping as alternate

Student Trustee: To be determined

Trustee Fairbairn moved, seconded by Trustee Topping that the above noted

Trustees sit on the Secondary Program Review Committee.

The motion carried.

# **Board Correspondence**

Trustee Busuttil advised that correspondence was received from the Ministry of Education regarding the musical instrument refurbishment program, Ontario Cannabis Store regarding communications and decision of the Cannabis store location in Guelph, from the City Guelph regarding the decision with respect to a proposed amendment to the Official Plan, and from the Grand Erie DSB regarding sick leave provisions as outlined by the Province.

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the Board Correspondence dated May 22, 2018, be received.

The motion carried.

# **Trustee Questions and Reports**

Trustee White shared her experiences for the previous month which included school visits and events. She advised that Westside SS hosted the Band Best Days, where a number of secondary schools from Dufferin, East Wellington, North and Center Wellington performed 5 songs, with approximately 200 students represented.

Trustee White had the opportunity to meet Orlando Bowen, a motivational speaker, trainer, founder and Executive Director of One Voice One Team Youth Leadership.

On Friday, Trustee White had the opportunity to visit three wonderful grade 10 civic classes and was able to explain to the students how the school board fits into Municipal government.

Another event she proudly attended was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for Parkinson Centennial PS. She reported that, at Island Lake PS, they have a program similar to Grand Pals, called the Wise Ones, and at Credit Meadows ES, they are "going green" in the meadows, which was a great event.

Trustee Moziar advised that she had received a phone call from a campaign member who criticized the condition of our schools. She requested that the record show that

schools in the Upper Grand DSB are in good condition, and expressed thanks to staff for their hard work and diligence in maintaining our schools.

Trustee Busuttil expressed thanks to staff for all the work done with the opening of education week, thanks to staff and communities for organizing and attending the Long Term Accommodation and Planning meetings, and thanks to staff and for all the work in organizing the Special Olympics.

Trustee Cooper expressed recognition and appreciation for Steve Sherry to recognize and appreciate him and wish him well with his retirement. She expressed thanks to him for a fantastic production which included live music with singing and dancing at Erin DHS. She also wanted to recognize Erin PS, Brisbane PS, and the Mental Health team who implemented teacher training for meditation and mindfulness in the classroom.

Trustee Lustgarten Evoy wanted to draw attention to the newspaper article written about Trustee Schieck, and wished him well in his retirement.

# **Dates of Future Meetings**

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the May 22, 2018 schedule for Board and Standing Committee Meetings be approved as follows:

Program Committee June 5, 2018, at Centre Wellington DHS

Business Operations June 12, 2018 Board Meeting June 26, 2018

The motion carried.

Director of Education Rogers added the following to the Dates of Future Meetings:

Thursday, May 31, 2018 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of Taylor Evans PS,

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 7, 2018 Joint Health and Safety Committee,

Board Room, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Trustee Fairbairn moved that the Dates of Future Meetings dated May 22, 2018 be received, with the above noted additions.

The motion carried.

## Motion to Rise and Report to the Board

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

## **Ratification of Business**

Trustee Topping moved, seconded by Trustee Fairbairn 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 Schieck that the Board adjourn and this meeting now close at 8:00 p.m.

The motion carried.

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