



Public Meeting of the Board Minutes

Date: October 22, 2024

Location: Archie Stouffer Elementary School Learning Commons

Present: H. Bradley, E. Childs, L. Clodd, G. Brohman, R. Maw, T. McAlpine, D. McInerney, T. McNelly, B. Reain, J. Saunders, C. Wilcox

Regrets:

Senior team: T. Ellis, T. Fraser, W. Hahn, T. Hubbert, J. Johnston, J. MacJanet, N. Train, K. Williams

Staff Support: J. Andreasen, C. Bull, D. Raglin

4:30 p.m. Commencement of the Committee of the Whole Meeting

1. Call to order

1.1 Motion to convene into the In-Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting

Motion # 24-10-26

Moved by Trustee McInerney, seconded by Trustee Reain

That the Board do now enter Committee of the Whole In-Camera session at 4:30 p.m. to deal with matters under section 207(2) of the Education Act.

Carried.

1.2 In-Camera Agenda (for matters that fall under section 207(2) of the Education Act)

2. Rise and report to the Public Meeting of the Board

Motion # 24-10-27

Moved by Trustee Reain, seconded by Trustee McInerney,

That Trustees do now rise from the In-Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting at 4:45 p.m. and will report to the Public Meeting of the Board at 6:00 p.m.

Carried.

6 p.m. Commencement of the Public Meeting of the Board

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Territory acknowledgement

Trustee Clodd shared the Territory Acknowledgement.

3. National anthem

O Canada was played.

4. Roll call

Chairperson Wilcox advised that:

Eight Trustees (Brohman, Bradley, Childs, Clodd, McInerney, Reain, Saunders, Wilcox) and Student Trustees McNelly and Maw were in person at the Archie Stouffer Elementary School Learning Commons.

One Trustee (McAlpine) was present via electronic means.

5. Declaration of possible conflict of interest

There were no declarations of possible conflict of interest.

6. Delegation(s)

There were no delegations.

7. Approval of agenda

Motion # 24-10-28

Moved by Trustee Reain, seconded by Trustee Childs,

That the agenda be approved.

Carried.

8. Business of the Board

8.1 Approval of the minutes of the September 24, 2024 Public Meeting of the Board

Motion # 24-10-29

Moved by Trustee Brohman, seconded by Trustee Clodd,

That the minutes of the September 24, 2024 Public Meeting of the Board be approved.

Carried.

8.2 Recommendations from the In-Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting

Vice Chairperson Childs advised that there were no recommendations resulting from the October 22, 2024 In-Camera Committee of the whole meeting.

8.3 Board Committee Recommendations

Chair Wilcox shared the recommendations for Board Committee Membership for 2024-2025 with Trustees.

Motion # 24-10-30

Moved by Trustee Reain, Seconded by Trustee McInerney,

That Trustees approve the establishment of an Ad Hoc Board Committee related to Outdoor Education with two Trustee representatives as outlined in the provided report, and that the committee work commence in Fall 2024 and continue until the committee mandate is met or at the end of the 2024-2025 school year (in June 2025); whichever comes first.

Carried.

Motion # 24-10-31

Moved by Trustee Reain, Seconded by Trustee Saunders,

That Trustees rescind motion # 24-09-19 related to Committee Membership for 2024-2025 as made at the September 24, 2024 public meeting of the Board.

Carried.

Motion # 24-10-32

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee Clodd,

That Trustees approve the updated Trustee Committee Membership for 2024-2025 as outlined in the provided report and in alignment with Board By-law 15, and that Trustees commence participation as committee members to their assigned committees effective immediately.

Carried.

8.4 OPSBA Awards Presentation

OPSBA Representative Vice Chairperson Childs presented an OPSBA Achievement Award to Educator Krista Patterson for going above and beyond to support students in TLDSB.

9. Administrative updates

9.1 Director's Report on the Strategic Plan

a. Director's Recognition

Director Hahn presented Indigenous Knowledge Keeper Larry O'Connor and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Teacher Christine Carr with Director's Recognition for Innovation and Leadership Awards for their contributions to student achievement and well-being in TLDSB.

b. Student Leadership Presentation (HHSS)

Superintendent Fraser introduced HHSS Principal Jennifer Mills and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) students Hazel Jones and Aurora Wesley who shared an overview of the recent Canadian Student Leadership Conference 500 students, including 25 student leaders from HHSS students recently participated in.

c. Director's Update

Director Hahn shared a number of updates related to the achievement of the Strategic Plan goals.

TLDSB continues to see positive student achievement results, is actively supporting student mental health and well-being, and continues to promote positive and consistent student attendance at school. This fall a number of professional development opportunities for educators and other staff have been offered across the system.

d. EQAO Results

Superintendents MacJanet, Train, and Williams shared an overview of the 2023-2024 EQAO results including providing an overview of the achievement trends over the past three years in Grade 3 & 6 reading, writing, and math, in grade 9 math, and in the grade 10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT).

The focus for TLDSB continues to be the utilization of data to support strategic and intentional next steps to support students and educators.

e. Climate Survey Report

Superintendent Tanya Fraser provided an overview of the most recent results of the school climate survey that was administered in all schools in spring 2024. The themes of the survey included safety, belonging, environment and mental health.

10. Administrative and committee reports

10.1 For Information- Verbal

a. Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Meeting Report

Trustee Saunders shared an update related to the September 27, 2024 Indigenous Education Advisory Committee (IEAC) Meeting.

10.2 For Action- Written

a. SEAC Committee Meeting Report

Trustee McInerney shared an update related to October 1, 2024 SEAC Meeting.

Motion # 24-10-33

Moved by Trustee McInerney, Seconded by Trustee Childs,

That Trustees receive the report related to the October 1, 2024 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting.

Carried.

b. Program and Planning Committee Meetings

Trustee Reain shared an overview of the October 9 and October 15, 2024 Program and Planning Committee Meetings, including the October 15 recommendation from the Committee related to the program location change for French Immersion grades 4-6 to Central Senior School from Leslie Frost Public School effective September 1, 2025.

Motion # 24-10-34

Moved by Trustee Reain, Seconded by Trustee Bradley,
That Trustees ratify the change to the French Immersion program location, from Leslie Frost Public School to Central Senior School for grades 4-6 students effective September 2025, as proposed and approved at the October 15, 2024 Program and Planning Committee meeting.
Carried.

Motion # 24-10-35

Moved by Trustee Reain, Seconded by Trustee McInerney,
That Trustees receive the report related to the October 9, 2024 and October 15, 2024 Program and Planning Committee.
Carried.

c. Governance and Policy Committee Meeting

Director Hahn reviewed the activities from the most recent Governance and Policy Committee Meeting

Motion #24-10-36

Moved by Trustee Clodd, Seconded by Trustee Saunders,
That Trustees ratify the Governance and Policy Committee motions to approve the updates and revisions to the following policies: HR-4050 Attendance Support Policy, and BD-2300 Public Concerns Policy, inclusive of changing the name of BD-2300 from Public Concerns Policy to BD-2300 Communication and Collaboration with Parents/Guardians Policy.
Carried.

Motion #24-10-37

Moved by Trustee Clodd, Seconded by Trustee McInerney,
That Trustees receive the report related to the October 15, 2024 Governance and Policy Committee Meeting.
Carried.

d. Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee Report

Trustee Childs shared an update from the October 17, 2024 SAL Committee Meeting.

Motion # 24-10-38

Moved by Trustee Childs, Seconded by Trustee Bradley,
That Trustees receive the report related to the October 17, 2024 meeting of Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee.
Carried.

11. Trustee Reports

11.1 Student Trustee Reports

a. G7 Student Senate

Student Trustee Maw shared the G7 Student Senate Report highlighting the most recent activity of the G7 Student Senate. The next G7 Student Senate Meeting is November 14, 2024 and will include initiative planning for 2024-2025.

b. OSTA-AECO Report

Student Trustee McNelly shared that November 7-10 is the OSTA-AECO professional development session in Toronto. Trustees McNelly and Maw will be attending to connect with Trustees from other school boards and attend sessions related to the role of the student trustee.

11.2 OPSBA Report

Trustee Childs shared that a number of TLDSB Trustees recently attended the OPSBA Central East Meeting in York Region. The Meeting included professional development on anti-black racism as well as a tour of a local school and overview of school programs.

11.3 Trustee Community Updates

Trustee Reain shared that the Irwin Memorial School Council hosted their Annual Turkey Dinner on October 10, 2024. Trustee Reain thanked the community for the donations of food and the township for the donated use of the community hall for this event.

Trustee McNerney shared that Ridgewood PS in Coboconk planted 25 trees in partnership with Plant Kawartha on October 1, 2024; under supervision students dug the holes and planted all of the trees. On October 3 the school hosted their meet the teacher BBQ.

12. Correspondence

13. Next meeting

Date: November 26, 2024
Location: Muskoka Education Centre
Time: 6:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment

Motion # 24-10-39

Moved by Trustee Reain, seconded by Trustee Brohman,
That the Board of Trustees do now adjourn at 7:55 p.m.
Carried.

Colleen Wilcox, Chairperson of the Board

Wes Hahn, Director of Education

Jen Andreasen, Recording Secretary