



Public Meeting of the Board Minutes

Date: February 25, 2025

Location: Muskoka Education Centre

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, 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 # 25-02-71

Moved by Trustee Reain, seconded by Trustee Clodd,

That the Board do now enter Committee of the Whole In-Camera session at 4:35 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 # 25-02-72

Moved by Trustee Clodd, seconded by Trustee Reain,

That Trustees do now rise from the In-Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting at 4:56 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 McInerney shared the Territory acknowledgement.

3. National anthem

O Canada was played.

4. Roll call

Chairperson Wilcox advised that:

Eight Trustees (Bradley, Childs, Clodd, McAlpine, McInerney, Reain, Saunders, Wilcox) attended in person at the Lindsay Education Centre.

Trustee Brohman attended via electronic means.

Student Trustees McNelly and Maw attended the meeting at the Lindsay Education Centre.

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 # 25-02-73

Moved by Trustee McInerney, seconded by Trustee McAlpine,

That the agenda be approved.

Carried.

8. Business of the Board

8.1 Approval of the minutes of the January 28, 2025 Public Meeting of the Board

Motion # 25-02-74

Moved by Trustee Clodd, seconded by Trustee Bradley,

That the minutes of the January 28, 2025 Public Meeting of the Board be approved.

Carried.

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

Vice Chairperson Childs shared the following recommendation from the February 25, 2025 In-Camera Committee of the Whole Meeting:

Motion # 25-02-75

Moved by Trustee Childs, seconded by Trustee Saunders,

That Cristine Prattas be appointed to the TLDSB Audit Committee until the end of the current election term, in November 2026.

Carried.

9. Administrative updates

9.1 Director's Report on the Strategic Plan

a. Director's Recognition

Director Hahn recognized System Software Support Specialist Chris Tindale with a Director's Recognition for Innovation and Leadership Award for his development of a K-8 literacy data tracking tool to support educators in TLDSB.

b. Director's Update

Director Hahn highlighted and shared appreciation for:

- The resilience and flexibility of educators and students to continue with engaging in learning in spite of the recent weather challenges.
- The following administrators who were recognized by the Senior Team at the February 19, 2025 administrators meeting for their commitment to instructional leadership, school culture and student learning and well-being:
 - Trudi MacKinnon (HPS Principal),
 - Melissa Oke (PPS Principal),
 - Kim Newman and Aaron Emms (LMPs Principal and Vice Principal), and,
 - Lisa Uuldriks (AAEC Principal)
- The recent dedication of the Senior Team, including:
 - Associate Superintendent Fraser's work in offering Parent/Guardian Webinars in partnership with the Pine River Institute
 - Superintendent Williams for undertaking Artificial Intelligence (AI) learning and leading the development of guidelines for the Board
 - Superintendent Train in regard to the focus of screening and testing of students in the early years, extending IEP training, and extending the system class model
 - Superintendent MacJanet for championing *The truth about reading** film screenings and the Art Showcases
 - Superintendent Johnston for her exceptional work in supporting Indigenous Education
 - Superintendent Hubbert and Ellis for developing the solid foundation in board operations that is essential to keeping everything running smoothly

Director Hahn also commended HHS staff Benji Jordan and Nicole Taylor along with approximately 60 students who did an exceptional job with the recent Matilda theatre production.

10. Administrative and committee reports

10.1 For Action- Written

a. SEAC Committee Meeting Report

Trustee McInerney shared an update related to the February 4, 2025 SEAC Meeting

Motion # 25-02-76

Moved by Trustee McInerney, Seconded by Trustee Childs,
That Trustees receive the report related to the February 4, 2025 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting.
Carried.

b. Governance and Policy Committee Report

Trustee Saunders shared updates related to the February 5, 2025 Governance and Policy Committee Meeting.

Motion # 25-02-77

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee Clodd,
That Trustees ratify the Governance and Policy Committee recommendation to rescind the ES-5450 Experiential Learning Policy.
Carried.

Motion # 25-02-78

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee McInerney,
That Trustees ratify the Governance and Policy Committee recommendation to rescind the ES-5045 Fees for Learning Materials Policy.
Carried.

Motion # 25-02-79

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee McAlpine,
That Trustees ratify the Governance and Policy Committee recommendation to approve the changes to the HR-4019 Criminal Records Checks and Offence Declarations Policy, inclusive of changing the name to HR-4019 Criminal Records/ Vulnerable Sector Checks and Offence Declarations Policy.
Carried.

Motion # 25-02-80

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee Reain,
That Trustees ratify the Governance and Policy Committee recommendation to approve the changes to the BD-2051 Board Roles and Responsibilities Policy, inclusive of changing the name to BD-2051 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board of Trustees Policy.
Carried.

Motion # 25-02-81

Moved by Trustee Saunders, Seconded by Trustee Clodd,
That Trustees receive the report related to the February 5, 2025 Governance and Policy Committee Meeting.
Carried.

c. District School Council/ Parent Involvement Committee (DSC-PIC) Report

Trustee Clodd reviewed the activities from the February 6, 2025 DSC-PIC Meeting.

Motion #25-02-82

Moved by Trustee Clodd, Seconded by Trustee Childs,

That Trustees receive the report related to the February 6, 2025 meeting of the District School Council - Parent Involvement Committee.

Carried.

d. Program and Planning Committee Report

Trustee Reain reviewed the activities from the February 11, 2025 Program and Planning Committee Meeting.

Motion #25-02-83

Moved by Trustee Reain, Seconded by Trustee Bradley,

That Trustees receive the report related to the February 11, 2025 meeting of the Program and Planning Committee.

Carried.

e. Finance and Administration Committee Report

Trustee McAlpine reviewed the activities from February 12, 2025 Finance and Administration Committee Meeting.

Motion #25-02-84

Moved by Trustee McAlpine, Seconded by Trustee Childs,

That Trustees ratifies the Finance and Administration Committee approval of the 2024-2025 first quarter (Q1) report as presented.

Carried.

Motion #25-02-85

Moved by Trustee McAlpine, Seconded by Trustee McInerney,

That Trustees receive the report related to the February 12, 2025, Finance and Administration Committee Meeting.

Carried.

f. Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee Report

Trustee Childs reviewed the activities from the most recent SAL Committee Meeting.

Motion #25-02-86

Moved by Trustee Childs, Seconded by Trustee Clodd,

That Trustees receive the report related to the February 20, 2025 meeting of the Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Committee.

Carried.

10.2 For Information- Verbal

a. Indigenous Education Advisory Committee (IEAC) Report

Trustee Saunders shared a verbal update related to the February 21, 2025 IEAC meeting. A highlight of the meeting was the presentation shared by student members of the Indigenous Student Leadership Forum.

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 including the recent week of kindness initiatives, the upcoming great grain challenge, the menstrual equity campaign, and G7 representative elections in April.

b. OSTA-AECO Report

Student Trustee McNelly shared an update related OSTA-AECO; unfortunately, TLDSB Student Trustees were not able to attend the OSTA-AECO winter conference due to inclement weather.

11.2 OPSBA Report

Trustee shared that the OPSBA Board of Director's Meeting occurred on Saturday February 21, 2025. On April 5, 2025 the OPSBA Central East Regional Meeting will be hosted in TLDSB at IEWSS.

11.3 Trustee Community Updates

Trustee Reain shared that he recently presented a Director's Recognition Award to two grade 8 Huntsville Public School Students (who were not able to attend the Board Meeting in January at a recent assembly in recognition of their leadership in assisting other students during a bus fire.

Trustee Rain shared that Huntsville High recently hosted an extremely successful fundraiser for the Battlefields Tour for students participating in the Europe trip in the spring. He thanked the community for their donations to assist with the fundraising event.

Trustee McAlpine advised that he and Trustee Saunders attended *The truth about reading** in Haliburton and shared that the film and discussion was extremely powerful and impactful.

Trustee Saunders shared that she recently acted as a judge for some fantastic speeches at Dunsford ES.

Trustee Saunders advised that Scott Young hosted their monthly assembly on February 24, 2025; the assembly was centered around the Seven Grandfather teachings.

Trustee McInerney shared that Woodville ES hosted their speech contest on February 25, 2025; she noted how well-prepared the students were.

Trustee Childs announced that the Muskoka screening of *The truth about reading** has been rescheduled (as a follow up to an earlier cancellation due to weather) for April 7, 2025 at 6pm at the Rene Caisse Theatre at BMLSS.

12. Correspondence

Director Hahn shared a copy of a letter from the Canadian Cancer Society congratulating BMLSS on their fundraising efforts of \$24,987 at the June 2024 Relay for Life.

13. Next meeting

Date: March 25, 2025
Location: Muskoka Education Centre
Time: 6:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment

Motion # 25-02-87
Moved by Trustee Reain, seconded by Trustee Clodd,
That the Board of Trustees do now adjourn at 7:25pm
Carried.

Colleen Wilcox, Chairperson of the Board

Wes Hahn, Director of Education

Jen Andreasen, Recording Secretary