

THAMES VALLEY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

October 23, 2018, 7:00 P.M.
Board Room, Education Centre

TRUSTEES

M. Reid (Chair)	S. Chun (-7:25)
J. Bennett	B. McKinnon
R. Campbell	A. Morell
C. Goodall	S. Polhill
G. Hart	P. Schuyler
P. Jaffe	J. Skinner
I. Frick	R. Tisdale
N. Bajaj	R. Campbell

REGRETS

J. Todd

ADMINISTRATION AND OTHERS

L. Elliott	P. Skinner
S. Mark	P. McKenzie
J. Pratt	M. Moynihan
S. Builder	S. Powell
A. Canham	P. Sydor
R. Culhane	T. Testa
M. Deman	L. Griffith-Jones
K. Edgar	A. Chahbar
R. Kuiper	J. Knight (-8:55)
D. Macpherson	B. Williams
C. Beal	C. Henriquez(-8:00)
L. Nicholls	S. Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Reid called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and acknowledged the traditional territory on which the Board meeting is held.

2. O CANADA

Masonville Public School opened the meeting with the singing of O Canada.

3. SPECIAL MUSICAL PRESENTATION - Masonville Public School

The appreciation of the Board was extended to the students of Masonville Public School and to Conductor S. Sanford and Accompanist C. McCrae for their performance of two musical selections.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved on motion of Trustee A. Morell, seconded by Trustee G. Hart.

5. OFFICIAL RECORD

B. Williams, Supervisor, Corporate Services, read the following official record into the minutes:

"We regret to record the death of Kristina Rathbone on October 14. Kristina was the Secretary at Ryerson Public School."

"We regret to record the death of Cheryl Ulmer on October 28. Cheryl was the Secretary at Sir Arthur Currie Public School"

6. RECOGNITIONS

None.

7. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

8. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

9. DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director L. Elliott announced the retirement of Superintendent P. McKenzie from the Board, extending appreciation for his contributions. P. McKenzie has accepted the position of Assistant Superintendent with the Saanich School District located in British Columbia.

L. Elliott welcomed L. Nicholls to the senior administrative team as a Superintendent of Human Resources.

Director L. Elliott announced the retirement of Superintendent C. Beal from the Board effective 2019 February 15. L. Elliott extended appreciation for her contributions.

10. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

11. MINUTES OF THE 2018 SEPTEMBER 25 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND 2018 OCTOBER 9 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD

a. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of 2018 September 25 and Special Board Meeting of 2018 October 9 were adopted on motion of Trustee A. Morell, seconded by Trustee P. Jaffe and CARRIED.

b. Business Arising from Minutes

As a follow up to the 2018 September 25 minutes (item #21), D. Macpherson reported on his consultation with a number of post-secondary schools regarding the adjustment of grades by some post-secondary schools for some programs. It was noted some post-secondary schools take into account the secondary school attended based on the success of students in the post-secondary program from that secondary school. Other considerations taken into account were described.

12. STUDENT TRUSTEE UPDATE

Student Trustees I. Frick, N. Bajaj, and S. Chun provided an update on the activities of Student Council and the Ontario Student Trustee Association.

S. Chung reported the student trustees are planning to attend the OSTA AGM conference in Toronto October 25-28. S. Chung also noted she will be speaking about the Free Flow program at the conference.

N. Bajaj reported on the activities at the Student Advisory Council meeting of 2018 October 10. N. Bajaj further reported she attended a Culture for Learning presentation on safe schools.

I. Frick shared details of her recent tour of Oneida of the Thames where she visited Standing Stone School. I. Frick shared a brief overview of the Truth and Reconciliation in Canada event featuring Niigaan Sinclair, being hosted at the Marconi Club 2018 October 25. I. Frick also shared information about the Region Nine Sash recently presented to her and worn at the meeting.

13. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

a. 2018/2019 Education Centre Renewal Projects

Associate Director J. Pratt, Superintendent S. Mark, and Manager C. Henriquez presented for approval renewal projects for the Education Centre for 2018/2019 funded through unappropriated accumulated surplus.

The list of items and rationale for the renewal projects were described. Items for the 2019-2020 budget also were outlined noting they would come forward as part of the budget preparation process.

In response to a Trustee question it was noted the construction of a new building is a consideration. There are, however, immediate needs for the building at this time.

Moved by R. Tisdale
Seconded by P. Jaffe

THAT the recommended renewal projects for the Education Centre for 2018/2019 be approved and funded through unappropriated surplus for \$2,131,248.

CARRIED

b. Multi-year Operational Plan 2018 - 2019

L. Elliott presented for information the Multi-year Operational Plan 2018-2019. Strategic objectives and actions to be undertaken in the current school year in support of the Board's three priority areas and goals were outlined.

L. Elliott advised progress updates on the actions will be provided to Trustees at the Planning and Priorities and the Program and School Services Advisory Committees.

L. Elliott, R. Culhane and D. Macpherson responded to questions of clarification.

c. Secondary Library Learning Commons Renovations, 2018-2019

Superintendents S. Builder and S. Mark, and Manager C. Henriquez reported on the renovations planned for two secondary Library Learning Commons in 2019-2020.

As outlined in the Rethink Secondary Learning Plan, work continues on the transitioning to Library Learning Commons. The rationale for selecting Parkside Collegiate Institute and Huron Park Secondary School in 2019-20 was outlined. Next steps in the design and development process were described.

14. REPORTS FROM BOARD COMMITTEES

a. Policy Working Committee, 2018 September 25

Trustee Morell referred to the written report of the Policy Working Committee provided to the Trustees in advance of the meeting.

Moved by A. Morell
Seconded by J. Bennett

THAT the revised Community Use of Building, Facilities and Equipment (Rental Permits) Policy approved.

THAT the Director of Education Performance Review Policy be approved.

THAT the Asthma and student policy be rescinded.

CARRIED

b. Chair's Committee, 2018 September 25

Trustee Morell referred to the written report of the Chair's Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 September 25; highlights of the meeting were shared.

Moved by A. Morell
Seconded by C. Goodall

THAT membership to the Ontario Student Trustees Association be renewed.

CARRIED

c. Program and School Services Advisory Committee, 2018 October 2

Trustee J. Bennett referred to the written report of the Program and School Services Advisory Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 October 2; highlights of the meeting were shared. There were no recommendations.

d. Audit Committee, 2018 October 9

Trustee R. Tisdale referred to the written report of the Audit Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 October 9; highlights of the meeting were shared.

Moved by A. Morell
Seconded by S. Polhill

THAT the 2018-19 Internal Audit Plan work to be performed by PWC be amended to reflect funding constraints for the South Region Internal Audit (SRIA) function.

THAT the Annual Report to the Board of Trustees and Forwarded to the Ministry of Education for the year ended 2018 August 31 be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

e. Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee, 2018 October 9

Trustee C. Goodall referred to the written report of the Planning and Priorities Advisory Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 October 9; highlights of the meeting were shared. There were no recommendations.

f. Special Education Advisory Committee, 2018 October 9

Trustee C. Goodall referred to the written report of the Special Education Advisory Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 October 9; highlights of the meeting were shared. There were no recommendations.

A. Canham provided a summary of the SEA automation and answered questions of clarification.

g. Chair's Committee, 2018 October 16

Trustee A. Morell referred to the written report of the Chair's Committee provided to Trustees in their agenda package. The Committee met 2018 October 16; highlights of the meeting were shared. There were no recommendations.

h. Committee of the Whole, In-Camera, 2018 October 23

Trustee Morell reported the Committee of the Whole met in-camera from 5:03 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. The committee discussed confidential legal, property and personal matters.

Moved by A. Morell
Seconded by P. Jaffe

THAT the motions at the in-camera session of 2018 October 23 related to legal matters be approved.

CARRIED

15. TRUSTEE UPDATES FROM EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

a. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)

Chair Reid reported the next OPSBA meeting will be held 2018 December 7-8; the appointment of Trustee representation will be required.

b. Thames Valley Education Foundation (TVEF)

R. Tisdale reported on received donations and Caring Fund requests. It was noted the Run for the FUNd will take place 2019 June 2 at B. Davison Secondary School. R. Tisdale reported on the success of the Best First Day program.

16. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Ministry of Education

A letter to the Chair from the Ministry of Education regarding student transportation was provided for information.

17. NOTICE OF MOTION

None.

18. MOTION – NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN

None.

19. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

None.

20. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS BY MEMBERS

In response to a question regarding the 2018 October 16 Chair's Meeting minutes, Chair Reid advised the Chair's Committee has the mandate to appoint members to the principal and vice principal interview committees; Board motion is not required.

21. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Trustee A. Morell and Trustee J. Skinner, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Chairperson