



MINUTES

Present: C.A. Sloat, Board Chair, G. Anderson, R. Collver, D. Dean, B. Doyle, A. Felsky, J. Harris, J. Richardson, K. Sandy, D. Sowers, T. Waldschmidt, M. Brown (Student Trustee), E. Creed (Student Trustee)

Administration: Director — J. Forbeck; Superintendents – D. Abbey, W. Baker, B. Blancher, J. Gunn, A. Nesbitt, S. Sincerbox; Recording Secretary - D. Fletcher

Regrets:

Trustees: Nil.

Administration: Nil.

A – 1 Opening

(a) Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair, C.A. Sloat at 6:17 p.m. for the purposes of conducting the In Camera Session.

(b) Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil.

(c) In Camera Session

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Board move into In Camera Session to discuss personnel, legal and property matters at 6:17 p.m.

Carried

(d) Welcome to Open Session

The Public Session meeting was called to order by Chair, C.A. Sloat, at 7:26 p.m.



(e) **Agenda Additions/Deletions/Approval**

Item B-1-b was added to the IC agenda.

Moved by: J. Richardson
Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt
THAT the Agenda be approved as printed.
Carried

(f) **In Camera Report**

Moved by: G. Anderson
Seconded by: J. Harris
THAT the Director's Performance Appraisal has been completed for the 2014-2015 school year.
Carried

Moved by: G. Anderson
Seconded by: D. Dean
THAT the Board approve Item C-1-b.
Carried

Moved by: A. Felsky
Seconded by: G. Anderson
THAT the Board approve Item C-1-c.
Carried

Moved by: R. Collver
Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt
THAT the Board approve the Term Appointment for Student Success Teacher Consultant from September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018
Carried

Moved by: J. Harris
Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt
THAT the Board approve the Term Appointment for French as a Second Language Teacher Consultant from September 1, 2015 to June 30, 2018.
Carried

Moved by: G. Anderson
Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt
THAT the Board approve item C-1-f.
Carried



Regular Board Meeting
June 22, 2015
Education Centre, Board Room

Moved by: R. Collver
Seconded by: G. Anderson
THAT the Board confirm the Sale of Property for the Norfolk School Support Centre – Hillcrest Road
Carried

(g) **Memorials**
Nil.

(h) **Presentations**

Nil.

(i) **Delegations**
Nil.

B – 1 Approval of Minutes

(a) **Regular Board Meeting – May 25, 2015**

Moved by: J. Harris
Seconded by: J. Richardson
THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, held May 25, 2015 be approved.
Carried

(b) **Committee of the Whole No. 1 – June 1, 2015**

Moved by: G. Anderson
Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt
THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole No. 1 Meeting, held June 1, 2015, be approved.
Carried

(c) **Committee of the Whole No. 2 – June 8, 2015**

Moved by: D. Sowers
Seconded by: J. Harris
THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole No. 2 Meeting, held June 8, 2015 be approved.
Carried



(d) **Special Board Meeting – June 8, 2015**

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: D. Sowers

THAT the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, held June 8, 2015 be approved.

Carried

C – 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings**

Nil.

D – 1 **Director's Report**

The Director highlighted:

- Commencements scheduled this week include: Grand Erie Learning Alternatives (GELA) – June 24, 2015 and McKinnon Park Secondary School – June 26, 2015
- Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario held their annual retirement dinner on June 17, 2015
- The graphic image of the new Pauline Johnson CVS sign was printed and distributed to trustees

Mark Windle, Acting Manager of Information Technology was in attendance to present:

School Communications and School Messenger:

Communication between the school and home is an essential part of school life. Grand Erie completed the selection process for a parent communication/notification system that delivers large volumes of messages through multiple channels. The provider selected is School Messenger and they are compatible with PowerSchool. Parents can easily set preferences for how they want to be reached and the messages can be delivered by phone, email, text etc. Such examples includes board-/school-wide special announcements, closures due to inclement weather, power outages, safe School situations (Shelter in Place, Hold & Secure, and Lockdown), pizza days, events and other announcements. The service will be provided in all schools in Grand Erie District School Board in 2015-16 with a pilot group in August (Simcoe Composite School and North Park). The plan will be in place to deliver the service to the entire system – elementary and secondary.

A. Felsky inquired about the speech to text capability and available language preferences.

M. Windle confirmed there is the capability for text to speech in 20 different languages.



Regular Board Meeting

June 22, 2015
Education Centre, Board Room

Carol Ann Sloat, Chair of the Board, said farewell to John Forbeck at his final Board Meeting. She expressed on behalf of the Board how much he will be missed. She said he has made a difference for students in the areas of achievement, environment and engagement.

The Board agreed that John has been an inspirational leader and a strong advocate for Grand Erie fostering staff relationships, building community partners and celebrating student success. The Board of Trustees and Grand Erie will greatly miss his enthusiasm and commitment to students.

J. Forbeck said the opportunity to lead as the Director of Education has truly been the pinnacle of his career and his only regret is that he didn't discover Grand Erie decades ago.

The Chair presented the Director with a special gift on behalf of the Board. Trustees Greg Anderson and Rita Collver also delivered special remarks to the outgoing Director.

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: D. Dean

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of June 22, 2015 as information.

Carried

E – 1 Student Trustee Report

E. Creed provided her student trustee report and voice the importance of Special Education to her. She enjoyed her role in student senates meeting and connecting with the secondary students across Grand Erie.

M. Brown provided highlights as her role of student trustee: working with secondary students and elected trustees, involvement in Ontario Student Trustee Association, and a bus tour of Six Nations and New Credit to view and learn about the culture and schools.

Presentations were made to M. Brown and E. Creed in acknowledgment of their contributions this year as student trustees. R. Collver and D. Dean thanked them for representing students in Grand Erie and for their student voice at the board table.

M. Brown will be returning as Student Trustee next year and E. Creed will continue her studies at Nipissing University in the fall.

B. Doyle arrived to the meeting at 7:58 p.m.



Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Student Trustee Report of June 22, 2015 as information.

F – 1 Committee Report

(a) Committee of the Whole No. 1 – June 1, 2015

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole No. 1 Report dated June 1, 2015 as follows:

1. In Camera Report

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board has considered the Jasper Construction Corp submission to Tender #2015-111-T and senior administrations report and disqualifies the submission pursuant to section 1.22 of the Request for Tender.

2. Director's Report

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of June 1, 2015 as information.

3. BL13 Signing Authorities of the Board

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Bylaw 13 – "Signing Authorities of the Board".

4. BL18 Personnel Matters to be Considered in Camera

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Bylaw 18 – "Personnel Matters to be Considered In Camera" as currently written.

5. FT4 Use of School Facilities

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Policy FT4 - "Use of School Facilities" to all appropriate stakeholders for comment to be received by November 6, 2015.

6. F1 Exclusive Suppliers: Food Service & Vending Machines

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy F1 - "Exclusive Suppliers: Food Service & Vending Machines in Schools" as amended.



7. **F3 Capital Related Funding and Community Donations**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy F3 - "Capital Related Funding and Community Donations", as amended.
8. **HR9 Hiring, Supervision and Placement of a Family Member**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy HR9 - "Hiring, Supervision and Placement of a Family Member".
9. **SO6 Student Suspensions**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy SO6 - "Student Suspensions".
10. **P103 Learning Resource Selection**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure P103 – "Learning Resource Selection" to all appropriate stakeholders for comment to be received by November 6, 2015.
11. **P105 Prior Learning Assessment Recognition (PLAR)**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Procedure P105 - Prior Learning Assessment Recognition (PLAR) to all appropriate stakeholders for comment to be received by November 6, 2015.
12. **F105 Capital Related Funding and Community Donations**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board rescind Procedure F105 - "Capital Related Fundraising and Community Donations".
13. **HR108 Police Record Checks for Employees**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure HR108 - "Police Record Checks for Employees" as information.
14. **SO116 Pupil Return from Absence**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure SO116 - "Pupil's Return from Absence" as information.
15. **SO127 Student Suspensions**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board rescind Administrative Procedure SO127 - "Student Suspensions".
16. **Special needs Strategy Report – Coordinated Service Plan Proposal**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Special Needs Strategy Report – Coordinated Service Plan as information and to place on the CW2 agenda on June 8, 2015 for further discussion.

Carried



- R. Collver requested that recommendation No. 6 be separated from the main report.
D. Dean requested that recommendation No. 4 be separated from the main report.

A vote was taken on recommendations No. 1-3, 5, 7-16.

Carried

R. Collver requested that F1 Supplier Exclusivity: Food Services and Vending Machines in Schools be amended to read under #2b) "Two Secondary School Administrator one from Brantford/Brant and one from Haldimand/Norfolk".

D. Dean requested that BL18 Personnel Matters to be Considered In Camera be amended to read under e) "it" shall be conveyed to the individual(s) involved by the Director of Education, in writing.

A vote was taken on recommendations No. 4 and 6.

Carried

(b) **Committee of the Whole No. 2 – June 8, 2015**

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: J. Harris

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole No. 2 Report dated June 8, 2015 as follows:

1. **In Camera Report**
 - i. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Board and the Norfolk Community Help Centre
 - ii. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Agreement for the Joint Use of Facilities between the Board and the County of Brant.
2. **Compensatory Education Plan**

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the 2015/2016 Compensatory Education Plan as information.
3. **Quality Accommodations Update**
 - i. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Quality Accommodations Update as information.
 - ii. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Accommodation Options as presented in Quality Accommodations Update dated June 8, 2015.



4. **Director's Report**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of June 8, 2015.
5. **Annual Review of the Special Education Plan**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Annual Review of the Special Education Plan, and the submission of the Special Education Report Components Checklist to the Regional Office of the Ministry of Education.
6. **2015-2016 Operating Budget**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the 2015-2016 Operating Budget of \$299,607,816.
7. **Student Recognition Award Program**
THAT the Grand Erie District School approve the Student Recognition Award Program in principle.
8. **Capital Priorities**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Capital Priorities for submission to the Ministry of Education.
9. **Category III Trips**
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Category III Trips as information.
10. **Implications of 2015-2016 Friday the 13th Events on the Port Dover Area Students**
 1. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Option 2 for November 13, 2015; and
 2. THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Option 3 for May 13, 2016.

Carried

G – 1 New Business

(a) Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee (GEPIC) Annual Report (Bylaw 8)

J. Forbeck briefly reviewed the report and initiatives that GEPIC is involved with, he also addressed that school council reports are somewhat behind this year. Trustees are welcome to review a binder in the Director's Office with school plans.

M. Brown left the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

R. Collver thanked Director Forbeck for his commitment to the committee. The committee respected him as a valuable member of this committee.



Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Annual Report as information.

Carried

(b) Quarterly Budget Report (F2)

J. Gunn reviewed the report and stated that the report represents nine months ending May 31st 2015.

He highlighted information from the summary of financial results, summary of enrolment and summary of staffing. It was noted that enrolment and staffing have not changed in the last three months. Revenues and operating costs were reviewed.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: D. Sowers

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Quarterly Budget Report for the period ended May 31, 2015 as information.

Carried

(c) General Contractor Award – Change Room Renovation at Pauline Johnson CVS (PJ)

J. Gunn explained the plan to convert classrooms at the back of PJ to change rooms and washrooms.

He referred to the floor plans and pointed out that the change rooms/washrooms could be completely closed off from the school as needed so that it could be accessible to the community while booking the field.

The benefits to the school is the use of these change rooms/washrooms during the regular school hours while using the field for physical education programs. A wheelchair accessible washroom is also included in the project plans.

He acknowledged that this tendered price is over budget which would be covered by facility renewal funding. Pending board approval of this contract, work is scheduled to begin July 2, 2015 to be available to students for the fall of 2015. He explained that the field plans provide for a concession stand in the field house between the bleachers.



R. Collver voiced a concern regarding the washroom budget, which is now \$200,000 higher than originally estimated.

Prince Charles School:

J. Gunn explained the masonry issue with the gym wall and school roof. The remedy will require the removal and rebuilding of a portion of the gym wall. The vendor of record has been engaged to start work on June 26, 2015 with an estimated cost of \$350,000. An RFP was not issued as this work is emergency in nature.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: D. Sowers

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the award for General Contracting services for the Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocation School change room renovation project as set out in tender 2015-106-T to Lanca Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$538,250.00 + HST.

Carried

(d) **OPSBA Report**

C.A. Sloat presented the report as printed.

R. Collver addressed the Advocacy paper and requested that the Board provide formal support for this paper.

It was agreed to send a letter in support of this curriculum to Premier of Ontario, Minister of Education, and MPPs.

Moved by R. Collver

Seconded by: J. Harris

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board write a letter in support of First Nation Trustees Council position paper on mandatory elementary and secondary curriculum components in First Nations Metis Inuit (FNMI) history.

Carried

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the OPSBA Report as information.

Carried



H – 1 Other Business

(a) Summary of Accounts — May 2015

Presented as printed.

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Summary of Accounts for the month of May 2015 in the amount of \$8,149,592.97 as information.

Carried

(b) Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee Minutes - May 21, 2015

Presented as printed.

Moved by: D. Sowers

Seconded by: J. Harris

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee Minutes – May 21, 2015” as information.

Carried

(c) Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes – May 14, 2015

Presented as printed.

Moved by: J. Harris

Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes – May 14, 2015” as information.

Carried

(d) Native Advisory Committee Minutes – April 14, 2015

Presented as printed.

Moved by: J. Harris

Seconded by: D. Sowers



THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Native Advisory Committee Minutes – April 14, 2015” as information.

Carried

(e) **Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Minutes – February 5, 2015**

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: J. Harris

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Minutes – February 5, 2015” as information.

Carried

(f) **Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Committee Minutes – May 26, 2015**

J. Gunn highlighted that 5.2 be amended to September 2015.

6.0 Policy and Procedures Review – policies and procedures are posted on the portal with comments due September 29, 2015.

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Committee Minutes – May 26, 2015” as information.

Carried

(g) **Communications and Engagement Minutes – May 11, 2015**

Moved by: D. Sowers

Seconded by: J. Harris

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the “Communications and Engagement Minutes – May 11, 2015” as information.

Carried

I – 1 **Correspondence**

(a) **Premier of Ontario re: Community Hub Framework Advisory Group**

(b) **Ministry of Education re: Proceeds of Disposition Policy**



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Moved by: R. Collver
Seconded by: D. Sowers
THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the correspondence as information.
Carried

Moved by: J. Harris
Seconded by: J. Richardson
THAT the Board move into In Camera Session to discuss Legal Matters at 8:38 p.m.
Carried

J – 1 Adjournment

Moved by: J. Harris
Seconded by: G. Anderson
THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:06 p.m.
Carried

Board Chair, Carol Ann Sloat