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# **MINUTES**

Present: Board Chair G. Anderson, Board Vice-Chair D. Dean, R. Collver, E. Dixon, B. Doyle, S.

Gibson, J. Richardson (arrived at 7:26 p.m.), C.A. Sloat, C. Speers, D. Werden, A. Cattrysse

(Student Trustee), A. Hauser (Student Trustee), J. Hsiao (Student Trustee),

Administration: Director - B. Blancher; Superintendents - D. Abbey, W. Baker, L. De Vos, D.

Martins, S. Sincerbox, L. Thompson, R. Wyszynski; Recording Secretary - L.

Howells

#### Regrets:

**Trustees**: C. VanEvery-Albert,

Administration: Nil

#### A - 1 Opening

#### (a) Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair, G. Anderson at 6:30 p.m.

# (b) Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Nil

#### (c) In Camera Session

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Board move into In Camera Session to discuss personnel, legal and property

matters at 6:30 p.m.

Carried

#### (d) Welcome to Open Session

The Public Session meeting was called to order by Chair, G. Anderson at 7:25 p.m.

#### (e) Memorials

E. Dixon read the memorial statement for Logan Parker, West Lynn Public School.



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# (f) Agenda Additions/Deletions/Approval

Presented as printed. Item G-1-c will be presented before C-1-a.

G. Anderson advised Trustees that there is a late delegation from A. Gulabsingh, Haldimand Huskies Basketball Club. G. Anderson further noted Bylaw 11 was not followed and noted, A. Gulabsingh does have a written delegation with him. G. Anderson asked if it is the will of the Board to receive this late delegation and copies of the written delegation will be made available to Trustees.

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: J. Richards

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the late delegation received at the Regular Board Meeting as per Bylaw 11 – Delegations.

#### Carried

Moved by: D. Werden Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Agenda be approved, as amended.

# Carried

#### (g) In Camera Report

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve B-1-b.

#### Carried

Moved by: E. Dixon Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve B-1-c.

#### Carried

#### (h) **Presentations**

#### (i) Student Recognition Awards

The recognition program is Grand Erie District School Board's way to honour and celebrate students who have accomplished excellence in the areas of academics, athletics, and the arts, as well as excellence in the community. All recipients receive a



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certificate signed by B. Blancher and G. Anderson, Chair of the Board. Trustee Speers and Director Blancher presented the certificate.

Avaia Bergan – Grade 6 Student - Caledonia Centennial Public School – Athletics – Avaia is used to balancing high academic standards with a rigorous athletic training schedule to remain competitive in the sport of Trampoline, a gymnastics discipline characterized by precise technique and perfect body control while moving through the air. This past spring, Avia reached new heights: a personal best that also landed her in first place provincially in her age division. When not training, Avaia is an exemplary student who carries herself with grace and humility as she continues to grow both academically and as an elite athlete.

Avaia was congratulated by the trustees and responded to questions and comments.

# (j) Delegation

Copies of the late written delegation were handed out to Trustees. A. Gulabsingh referred to his delegation for Haldimand Huskies Basketball Club.

Trustees agreed to discuss this matter at G-1-e.

#### B - 1 Approval of Minutes

#### (a) Regular Board Meeting – May 27, 2019

Presented at printed.

Moved by: J. Richardson Seconded by: C. Speers

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, held May 27, 2019 be approved.

Carried

#### (b) Committee of the Whole Board – June 10, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Board Meeting, held June 10, 2019, be

approved. **Carried** 



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# (c) Special Board Meeting – June 10, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: D. Dean Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, held June 10, 2019, be approved.

Carried

# G-1-c Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan

R. Wyszynski invited D. Maniccia, Manager of Facility Services and K. Hashimoto, Supervisor of Energy & Environmental Conservation the table. R. Wyszynski referred to the Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan report noting on January 1, 2019 a new regulation was introduced under the Electricity Act, 1998 titled O. Reg 507/18: Broader Public Sector: Reporting and Conservation and Demand Management Plans. R. Wyszynski further stated the energy conservation and demand management plan is composed of two parts and provided high-level overview:

- 1) a summary of Grand Erie District School Board's annual energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions for its operations
- 2) a description of previous, current and proposed measures for conserving and otherwise reducing the amount of energy consumed by Grand Erie's operations and for managing its demand for energy, including a forecast of the expected results of current and proposed measures.

C. Speers asked if the LED light retrofits has been completed? K. Hashimoto responded that there are still a few locations left do within the Board.

C.A. Sloat asked about the TRC building? D. Maniccia responded that there are a few measures that could be undertaken at the TRC and Board office, new energy efficient rooftop units and controls to outdoor lighting; however, unfortunately we cannot use any of the renewal funding since these are administration buildings.

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan as information.



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# C - 1 Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings

#### (a) **2019-20 Board**

R. Wyszynski referred to the 2019-20 Budget Approval report noting the 2019-20 Operating and Capital Budgets were developed as set out in Board Policy F2 – Budget Development Process. The Budget will be submitted to the Ministry as requested by regulations on or before the submission deadline of June 28, 2019 pending Board approval.

R. Wyszynski provided a high-level overview of the Operating and Capital Budget Highlights and the budget outlook.

C.A. Sloat asked if Trustees will see a final budget before it is submitted? R. Wyszynski responded that the version Trustees received is the final version. C.A. Sloat requested that the complete budget be posted on the website for transparency. B. Blancher responded that Senior Admin had a discussion about this and the team wants to make sure that we post a version that is clear and easy for the public to understand. The belief of the team is that the current level of detail may create confusion.

R. Collver thanked R. Wyszynski for the report and patience through this difficult budget planning.

S. Gibson suggested for the website possibly developing a dashboard and give the option to allow for members of the public to ask questions. R. Wyszynski responded our goal is to provide a draft to Trustees of what will appear on the website.

Moved by: D. Werden Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the 2019-20 Operating Budget of \$321,672,098.

#### Carried

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the 2019-20 Capital Budget of \$30,851,250.



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G. Anderson echoed R. Collver's statement and further thanked R. Wyszynski and the Superintendents.

# (b) Annual Review of the Special Education Plan – Amendments to Standard 1

L. Thompson referred to the Annual Review of the Special Education Plan – Amendments to Standard 1 laydown report noting changes were required based on changes to program and delivery for the 2019-20 school year and further stated the changes were presented and approved at the June 13, 2019 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting. L. Thompson reviewed the revised changes and noted the checklist will also be updated.

R. Collver noted this was also brought to SEAC on June 13. L. Thompson will ensure that this is included in the Special Education plan that is submitted to the Ministry.

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: D. Dean

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Amendments to Standard 1 of the Special Education Plan.

Carried

#### D - 1 **Director's Report**

Director's highlights:

- **Student Scholarship Winners** Three Grand Erie students were presented with significant scholarships this month.
  - o Jacob Meleka, a student at North Park Collegiate and Vocational School and Stewart McLellan, a student from Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocational School are the 2019 recipients of the James Hillier Foundation's annual scholarships. As a result, both will have up to \$20,000 over four years for their undergraduate studies.
  - Additionally, Waterford District High School's Jordyn Carmichael is the 2019 recipient of the Wanda and Scott Salverda Memorial Award, which provides up to \$10,000 over four years for undergraduate studies.
- ECO Schools media release sent out by Manager of Communication on June 19<sup>th</sup> celebrating the 38 Grand Erie schools that received Eco Schools certification this year. (up 3 since 2018)
  - o 3 schools received Platinum certification including Grandview Central as the first elementary school to achieve this level.
  - 14 schools received Gold certification.
  - o 14 received Silver.
  - o 7 received Bronze.



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- The EcoSchools program connects to Grand Erie's Multi-Year Plan, Success for Every Student, through the Environment indicator and the goal of "improving energy and environmental conservation at all sites."
- CAGE Track & Field was held at Kiwanis Field here in Brantford on June 21st big thanks to all the staff and volunteers.
- Commencements:
  - o GELA Grad June 26th at 7:00 pm Sanderson Centre
  - o McKinnon Park June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm MPSS
- **June 27**th is the last day of school for students and **June 28**th is a PA Day
- **Presentation to Student Trustees** G. Anderson thanked the Student Trustees for the time they put into the role and their value at the Board table.
- **Brantford Library** Director Blancher asked R. Wyszynski to speak to Trustees regarding Brantford Library
  - o R. Wyszynski provided an update on Southwest Brantford. The City of Brantford at a committee meeting deferred the library build for 9 years and if this decision is finalized through Council, this will affect our capital submission and will alter the original plan. Sr. Administration request a letter be written to the City of Brantford showing our disappointment of the plan and the speak to the impact.

Moved by: D. Werden Seconded by: E. Dixon

That the Grand Erie District School Board write a letter to the City of Brantford outlining the impact to the community of any decision to defer the library build in Southwest Brantford.

#### Carried

• Director Blancher noted this is Superintendent D. Abbey's last Board Meeting and thanked D. Abbey's for his time and commitment to the Grand Erie District School Board.

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of June 24, 2019 as information.

#### Carried

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: C. Speers

THAT the Grand Erie District School write a letter extending a warm Grand Erie welcome and congratulations to the newly appointed Minister of Education.



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# E - 1 Student Trustees' Report

J. Hsiao extended a thank you to Board for the opportunity to represent his peers and noted he has learned a lot this past year.

A. Hauser also thanked the Board for the opportunity and is looking forward to representing the student again in 2019-20.

A. Cattrysse thanked the Board for the opportunity and even though she was only here for half the year, she has learned a lot.

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: C. Speers

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Student Trustees' Report of June 24, 2019, as information.

#### Carried

# F - 1 Committee Report

#### (a) Committee of the Whole Board – June 10, 2019

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Committee of the Whole Board dated June 10, 2019 as follows:

#### 1. In Camera Report

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board confirms that the Director's Performance Appraisal has been completed.

#### 2. Director's Report

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Director's Report of June 10, 2019 as information.

#### 3. 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 two copies of the plan and the Special Education Report Components Checklist to the Regional Office of the Ministry of Education by July 31, 2019, as amended.



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# 4. Fundraising Approval – Lakewood ES – Port Dover

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the Fundraising Plan for the Lakewood ES track rejuvenation.

# 5. Category III Trips

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Category III Trips report as information.

#### 6. Implications of 2019-20 Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> Events on Port Dover Students

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Option 1 - Lakewood Elementary School remains opens to students for December 13, 2019 and March 13, 2020.

#### 7. Burford Tennis Courts Modifications

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board direct the Superintendent of Business and Treasurer to proceed with terminating the Burford Tennis Court lease agreement dated September 5, 2000 and to develop a new lease agreement to refurbish the Burford Tennis Courts.

#### 8. Bylaw 13 Signing Authorities of the Board

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

#### 9. Bylaw 18 Personnel Matters to be Considered In Camera

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

#### 10. SO5 School/Site Security and Lockdown in Schools

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board forward Policy SO5 School/Site Security and Lockdown in Schools to all appropriate stakeholders for comments to be received by September 27, 2019.

#### 11. SO28 Student Concussion and Head Injury

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy SO28 Student Concussion and Head Injury.



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# 12. SO19 Privacy and Information Management

- a) THAT Bylaw 9 Processes for Development of Bylaws, Policies and Procedures be waived with respect to circulating SO19 Privacy and Information Management to all appropriate stakeholders for comments.
- b) THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve Policy SO19 Privacy and Information Management.

# 13. FT103 Temporary Closure of Board Buildings

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure FT103 Temporary Closure of Board Buildings as information.

#### 14. FT110 Recorded Surveillance: Board Buildings & School Transportation Vehicles

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure FT110 Recorded Surveillance: Board Buildings & School Transportation Vehicles.

# 15. HR103 Duties and Expectations of Teachers

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure HR103 Duties and Expectations of Teachers as information.

#### 16. HR105 Term Assignments – Central Support Staff

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive Procedure HR105 Term Assignments – Central Support Staff as information.

# 17. HR117 Re-evaluating Existing Non-Union Positions

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board refer Procedure HR117 Re-evaluating Existing Non-Union Positions be brought back to the Board in October 2019.



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#### G - 1 New Business

# (a) Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Annual Report for 2018-19

B. Blancher referred to the Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Annual Report for 2018-19 and provided a high-level overview.

Moved by: E. Dixon Seconded by: S. Gibson

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

Carried

# (b) Quarterly Budget Report

R. Wyszynski referred to the Quarterly Budget Report for the nine months ended May 31, 2019.

Moved by: D. Werden Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Quarterly Budget Report for the nine months ended May 31, 2019 as information.

Carried

(c) **Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan –** was presented before C-1 Business Arising

#### (d) Special Education Advisory Committee Membership

L. Thompson referred to the Special Education Advisory Committee Membership report providing background and additional information.

Moved by: E. Dixon Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board accept the resignation of Ronelda Smith of Haldimand-Norfolk REACH, and Michelle Falkiner, member-at-large, and approve the addition of Nancy Schuur of Haldimand-Norfolk REACH.



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#### (e) Haldimand Huskies Basketball Club

- G. Anderson believes that it may be difficult to come to a comprehensive decision at this time but believed Trustees could discuss the matter.
- G. Anderson asked R. Wyszynski if he has any information to share with Trustees. R. Wyszynski responded that with regards to the Brantford Basketball program at North Park CVS this program was grandfathered over two decades ago.
- J. Richardson asked about the situation at Simcoe Composite? B. Blancher responded that we were not aware of it but did look it up. B. Blancher noted that this camp runs for 4 days the first week of July.
- C.A. Sloat referred to FT4 and noted this relates to municipality and community and it is difficult to make a decision without all the details.
- B. Doyle asked if the Simcoe program is a grandfathered situation? R. Wyszynski responded that he does not have the answer at this time. B. Doyle further noted that it is not fair to the delegation and administration to make a decision and we require further information.
- G. Anderson understands both sides, and believes that we need the facts and clear direction from Sr. Administration.

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District Board refer this item to the Committee of the Whole Board September 9, 2019 meeting.

Carried

#### H - 1 Other Business

#### (a) Summary of Accounts – May 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: C. Speers Seconded by: R. Collver

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Summary of Accounts for the month of May 2019 in the amount of \$10,957,871.31 as information.



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# (b) Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes – May 16, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: D. Werden Seconded by: J. Richardson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Special Education Advisory

Committee Minutes – May 16, 2019 as information.

Carried

#### (c) Joint Occupational Health & Safety Committee Minutes – May 16, 2019

Presented as printed.

C.A. Sloat asked when the maps will be available. R Wyszynski responded in September when HR8 comes back to the Board.

C.A. Sloat further asked when the Engineering Report regarding the concerns at BCI will be available. R. Wyszynski responded that it is not complete and should be available in the next month.

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: D. Werden

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee Minutes – May 16, 2019 as information.

Carried

#### (d) Safe and Inclusive Schools Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 05, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: C. Speers Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Safe and Inclusive Schools Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 05, 2019 as information.



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# (e) Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Committee Minutes (Draft) - May 28, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk Committee Minutes (Draft) - May 28, 2019 as information.

Carried

#### (f) Native Advisory Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 04, 2019

Presented as printed. The draft welcome banner was displayed for Trustees to view.

Moved by: E. Dixon Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Native Advisory Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 04, 2019 as information.

Carried

#### (g) Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 12, 2019

Presented as printed.

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 12, 2019 as information.

Carried

#### (h) Audit Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 18, 2019

Presented as printed.

C.A. Sloat asked about IT Security, how are we going to ensure all of our other agreements? R. Wyszynski agreed and noted that we are going to look at any new agreements that impact Privacy, Purchasing, and ITS. Older agreements are difficult to amend as the changes required may not be palatable to the vendor. This is something we are definitely looking at



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going forward and it will be an item that will receive significant consideration when it comes time to revise our purchasing policy.

R. Collver encouraged all Trustees to read the PWC Unsupported Capital report.

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: C.A. Sloat

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board receive the Audit Committee Minutes (Draft) - June 18, 2019 as information.

#### Carried

Moved by: R. Collver Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve the recommendation from Audit committee meeting of June 18, 2019 that Millard's Chartered Professional Accountants continue as external auditor for the board.

#### Carried

# (i) OPSBA Report

Presented as printed.

D. Werden noted that he may not be available to attend the OPSBA Annual General Meeting the first week of July.

Moved by: B. Doyle Seconded by: E. Dixon

THAT the Grand Erie District School Board approve C.A. Sloat as temporary voting delegate at the July 4-5, 2019 OPSBA AGM.

Moved by: S. Gibson Seconded by: J. Richardson

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

#### Carried

#### I - 1 Correspondence

Nil



# Regular Board Meeting Monday, June 24, 2019 Education Centre, Board Room

#### J – 1 Adjournment

Moved by: C.A. Sloat Seconded by: S. Gibson

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Board Chair G	Anderson