

# Board Highlights

DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

On Monday, October 15, 2018, the Durham District School Board held its monthly Board meeting.

## Port Perry High School



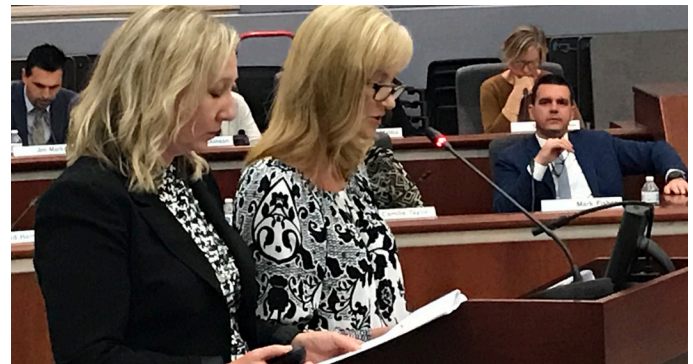
Students from Port Perry HS perform O Canada, Frobisher Bay, and Imagine for audience members and Trustees.

## Igniting Teacher Efficacy and Student Ownership for Learning

Superintendent Margaret Lazarus introduced Vice Principal Jennifer Wells and Principal Elizabeth Thompson to present on Igniting Teacher Efficacy and Student Ownership of Learning to Support Student Achievement and Engagement. The report highlighted Captain Michael VandenBos PS's commitment to the process of utilizing educational theory and research to support the claim that effective teachers are the most important factor contributing to student achievement and success.

The results were undeniable, as shown by increased EQAO scores. This reinforced to teachers that what they do and how they do it, has a direct impact.

## Faces on the Data Case Conferences



Kandis Thompson and Linda Ford-Decunha present Faces on the Data Case Conferences.

Superintendent Anne Marie Laginski and Superintendent Silvia Peterson introduced Kandis Thompson and Linda Ford-Decunha as they presented their report from the Faces on the Data Case Conferences. Thompson and Ford-Decunha provided Trustees with an overview of the Faces on the Data system priority and its impact on student achievement. They provided examples of how the Student Achievement and Curriculum Department, Early Years Department, Inclusive Student Services, and Leadership Departments are working collaboratively to support educators and school administrators in their implementation of Faces on the Data Case Conferences.

## Equitable Leadership Program

Associate Director Mark Fisher introduced Alicia Russell, Melissa Hunte, and Superintendent Jamila Maliha to present

## Equitable Leadership Program continued

and share their experiences on the Equitable Leadership Program. Their report highlighted the work of the DDSB Equitable Leadership Program, specifically the systematic recruitment of teachers into the Aspiring Leadership Program, with an emphasis on attracting Indigenous and Racialized candidates. The program was created to support Indigenous and Racialized Aspiring Leaders through four key focus areas: Mentorship; Professional Development to Enhance Leadership Capacity; Preparation for Principal/Vice Principal Promotion Process; and Transition to the Principal/Vice Principal role.



Alicia Russell, Melissa Hunte and Superintendent Jamila Maliha present on the Equitable Leadership Program.

## Recommendations and Information Items

The Board approved the following recommendations:

**Report: Standing Committee Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2018**

**Report: SEAC Meeting Minutes of June 14, 2018**

**Proposed Amendment to Regulation #1350**

It is recommended that the revisions to regulation #1350 – Definitely Durham (Appendix B) be approved.

**Chairperson’s Scholarship –  
Revision to Eligibility Guidelines**

It is recommended that an additional eligibility requirement be added to the Chairperson’s Scholarship be accepted with additions.

**Revisions to Regulation #7551 – Naming of Schools**

It is recommended that Regulation #7551 – Naming of Schools be revised as reflected in Appendix B of the report.

**Policy, Regulation and Procedure #5148 –  
Positive School Climate**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the revisions to Policy and Regulation #5148 – Positive School Climate. Procedure #5148 – Positive School Climate is provided for information.

**Regulation #7235 – Alternative Arrangements  
for School Accommodation**

It is recommended that the Trustees approve the attached Regulation #7235 – Alternative Arrangements for School Accommodation.

**Short-Term Borrowing By-Law**

It is recommended that the Borrowing Resolution for the 2018–2019 school year be approved.

**Integrity Commissioner**

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the role of Integrity Commissioner and the Chair appoint a committee to interview and hire for the position; and that the Code of Conduct By-Law #12 be amended and updated to include the role of Integrity Commissioner.

**Notice of Motion: Revisions to By-Law #12 –  
School Board Member (Trustee) Code of Conduct**

It is recommended that this report and revised By-Law #12: School Board Member (Trustee) Code of Conduct serve as a Notice of Motion.

**Notice of Motion: Review of Policies**

- Policy #6160 Students
- Policy #6320 Instruction

It was recommended that the revisions listed in Policy #6160 and Policy #6320 be approved at the November 19, 2018 Board Meeting.

**Notice of Motion: Regulation #1305  
Accessible Customer Service**

It was recommended that the report and proposed revised Regulation #1305 – Accessible Customer Service serve as Notice of Motion to be tabled for approval at the November 19, 2018 Board Meeting.

### **Notice of Motion: Review of Policies, Procedures and Regulations**

- Regulation #1219 School Community Council
- Regulation #1220 Parent Involvement Committee
- Regulation #5131 Fundraising

It was recommended that these items are presented as Notice of Motion. It is recommended that the revisions listed in Regulations #1219, #1220 and #5131 be approved.

### **Notice of Motion: Creation of New Policy to Support Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions in Schools**

It was recommended that this report and proposed new policy Supporting Children and Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions in Schools serve as a Notice of Motion.

### **Notice of Motion: Policy Updates**

- #4107 Equity and Inclusive Education
- #4245 Workplace Harassment and Workplace

### **Sexual Harassment**

Presented to Trustees as a Notice of Motion for consideration at the November 19, 2018 Board Meeting.

### **Elementary Staffing and Enrolment 2018-2019**

The report is provided to Trustees with an overview of current elementary staffing. The report provides an update on Primary Class Size and elementary enrolment that will be submitted to the Ministry of Education prior to October 31, 2018. This report is presented to Trustees as information.

### **Cannabis Legislation Update**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Trustees on the proposed Cannabis Legislation – Federal Bill C45, Provincial Bills 174 and 36. This report is presented to Trustees as information.

### **Summer Learning Programs**

The purpose of this report is to provide Trustees with updates on Summer Learning Programs. This report is presented to Trustees as information.

## **Director's Good News**



*Click on the 'Director's Good News' image to watch Director of Education Lisa Millar deliver good news to the Board.*

## **Regular Board and Committee Meetings**

### **Student Senate Meeting**

Monday, November 5, 2018  
4:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m.

### **Standing Committee Meeting**

Monday, November 5, 2018  
Public Session — 7:00 p.m.

### **Board Meeting**

Monday, November 19, 2018  
Public Session — 7:00 p.m.



**COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT**

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