

Report of the Durham District School Board
Standing Committee Public Session
November 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the Standing Committee of the Durham District School Board was held this date in Room 2007, Education Centre, 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby:

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Trustee Chris Braney, Chair

Members Present: Trustees Joe Allin, Michael Barrett, Paul Crawford, Donna Edwards, Yvonne Forbes, Kathleen Hopper, Larry Jacula, Carolyn Morton, Christine Winters, Kimberly Zeppieri, Student Trustees Naleesha Giga, Aidan Woodcock-Russell

Regrets: Student Trustee James Hare

Officials Present: Director Martyn Beckett, Superintendents Luigia Ayotte, John Bowyer, Doug Crichton, Janet Edwards, Ed Hodgins, Richard Kennelly, Anne Marie Laginski, Lisa Millar, Silvia Peterson, Camille Taylor, David Visser

Recording Secretary: Kim Cox

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this time.

3. Motion to Approve Agenda

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MOVED by Trustee Christine Winters

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

4. Presentations

(a) Anderson C.V.I.'s Animation and New Media Program

The Anderson C.V.I. Animation and New Media Program presentation was postponed to a later date.

(b) Ontario Association of Social Workers (OASW) School Social Work Achievement Award

Richard Kennelly, Superintendent, Special Education advised trustees that Social Worker Theresa Gray-Sorichetti was presented with the School Social Work Achievement Award from the Ontario Association of Social Workers (OASW) on October 28, 2014. Theresa Gray-Sorichetti was hired by the Durham District School Board in 1989 in the Special Education Department and she immediately immersed herself in improving the quality of education and life for children, families, and communities in the Durham Region. Theresa is viewed highly by others, influences the work of others, and presents with qualities such as innovation, integrity, reliability, advocacy and compassion. Theresa Gray-Sorichetti was recognized as a dedicated Social Worker who is most deserving of the Ontario Association of Social Workers (OASW) School Social Work Achievement Award. Chair Joe Allin and Vice Chair Chris Braney presented Theresa Gray-Sorichetti with the award and participated in a photo opportunity.

6. Information Items

(a) Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Naleesha Giga provided trustees with an overview of the Student Senate meeting held earlier in the evening. Students discussed several topics including a grant offered by Durham Region Police Services. Doug Crichton, Superintendent, Operations/Transportation/Leadership led a valuable discussion about leadership. A presentation was received by Durham Olympics, and Student Trustee James Hare provided an overview of an opportunity to participate in the Iqaluit Pen Pal Program in Nunavut.

(b) Property Report – Former Grandview P.S. – Demolition

David Visser, Superintendent, Facilities Services provided trustees with information surrounding the demolition of the former Grandview Public School, Oshawa. He also answered questions of trustees.

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7. Committee Reports

(a) OPSBA Report

Trustee Yvonne Forbes advised that the next Board of Director's meeting is scheduled to be held on November 28, 2014.

8. Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this time.

9. Other Business

There was no other business at this time.

10. Upcoming Events

The upcoming events were listed for the information of trustees.

11. Adjournment

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MOVED by Trustee Yvonne Forbes

THAT THE MEETING DOES NOW ADJOURN.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary