

Report of the Durham District School Board  
Standing Committee Public Session  
September 4, 2018

The regular meeting of the Standing Committee of the Durham District School Board was held this date in Room 1017, Education Centre, 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby:

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: Trustees Patrice Barnes, Michael Barrett, Gordon Baxter, Chris Braney, Paul Crawford, Linda Lowery, Carolyn Morton, Linda Stone, Christine Winters-Feret, Kimberly Zeppieri, Student Trustees Sally Meseret, Tyler West, Risann Wright

Regrets: Trustee Donna Edwards

Officials Present: Director Lisa Millar, Superintendents Mohamed Hamid, Anne Marie Laginski, Margaret Lazarus, Jamila Maliha, Jim Markovski, Silvia Peterson, Martine Robinson, Camille Taylor, Associate Directors Mark Fisher, David Visser, Acting Superintendent John Bowyer

Recording Secretary: Kim Cox

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest at this time.

3. Motion to Approved the Agenda

2018:14

MOVED by Trustee Christine Winters-Feret

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

4. Community Presentations

There were no community presentations at this time.

5. DDSB Presentations

(a) Provincial Education Reform: Health & Physical Education

Superintendent Silvia Peterson provided trustees with a PowerPoint update on the government's mandated change to the Health and Physical Education elementary curriculum. She also answered questions of trustees.

(b) Bullying Prevention and Intervention

Acting Superintendent John Bowyer introduced Ken MacNaughton, Safe Schools Officer, Dan Hogan, Substance Use and Violence Prevention Coordinator, and Holly Richard, Safe Schools Facilitator. The group provided trustees with a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the important work that is being accomplished within the Durham District School Board in the area of bullying prevention and intervention. They also answered questions of trustees.

(c) English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Learning Program

Superintendent Mohamed Hamid highlighted for trustees the 2018 English Language Learner Summer Learning Program. This four-week program focused on further developing English Language Learners' literacy skills and language development in a classroom and school environment that is culturally relevant and responsive, safe and inclusive. This program took place at West Lynde Public School in Whitby from July 9 to August 2, 2018. He also answered questions of trustees.

(d) A Refresh of Assessment and Evaluation in Secondary Schools

Superintendent Anne Marie Laginski provided trustees with PowerPoint information regarding a refresh of Secondary Assessment and Evaluation. The focus for 2018 will begin with a workshop on September 24 and 25, 2018.

5. Ministry Memorandums - Information

There were no Ministry Memorandums at this time

6. Recommended Actions

There were no recommended actions at this time.

7. Information Items

(a) Incident Ad Hoc Final Report

Director Lisa Millar provided trustees with a summary of the work completed by the Incident Ad Hoc Committee. Trustees discussed the work of the committee and the resulting recommendations.

Chair Michael Barrett advised that trustees agreed in June to continue the work of the committee and to monitor and operationalize the goals. An Incident Ad Hoc Committee meeting will be scheduled shortly. Director Lisa Millar indicated that additional recommendations will be developed at the upcoming meeting. She also answered questions of trustees.

(b) OPSBA Report

Trustee Patrice Barnes advised trustees that there was no report at this time.

8. Committee Reports

(a) Equity & Diversity Ad Hoc Committee Meeting of June 20, 2018

Trustee Patrice Barnes provided trustees with an overview of the Equity & Diversity Ad Hoc Committee meeting that was held on June 20, 2018. The next meeting is scheduled to be held on September 19, 2018. Trustees discussed the Ministry of Equity new student council position for the 2018-2019 school year.

(b) Mental Health & Well-Being Ad Hoc Committee Meeting of June 25, 2018

Trustee Kimberly Zeppieri provided trustees with an overview of the Mental Health and Well-Being Ad Hoc Committee meeting of June 25, 2018.

9. Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this time.

10. Other Business

There was no other business at this time.

11. Adjournment

2018:15

MOVED by Trustee Linda Lowery

THAT THE MEETING DOES NOW ADJOURN.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary