



## Regular Board Meeting

Monday, February 24, 2025

Education Centre Boardroom

7:15 p.m.

### MINUTES

- Present:** Chair: S. Gibson, Vice-Chair: T. Waldschmidt, Trustees: G. Anderson, J. Bradford, R. Collver, L. Passmore, E. Thomas, C.A. Sloat, C. VanEvery-Albert, L. Whiton, Student Trustees: A. Hill, O. Prince, C. Shields
- Administration:** Director: J. Roberto, Superintendents: P. Ashe, K. Graham, L. Munro, L. Thompson, J. Tozer, R. Vankerbroeck, J. White, R. Wyszynski, Manager: R. Strang, Senior Executive Assistant: C. Dero, Recording Secretary: K. Ireland-Aitken
- Regrets:** Trustees: B. Doyle, T. Sault
- A - 1 **Opening (6:30 p.m.)**
- (a) **Roll Call**  
Chair Gibson confirmed roll call.
- (b) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest** - Nil
- (c) **In-Camera Session (6:31 p.m.)**  
Moved by: G. Anderson  
Seconded by: L. Whiton  
THAT the Board move In-Camera.  
**Carried**
- (d) **Welcome to Open Session/Land Acknowledgment Statement**  
Student Trustee Prince read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.
- (e) **Call to Order**  
Chair Gibson called the Regular Board meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.
- (f) **Additions/Deletions/Approval of the Agenda**  
Moved by: L. Whiton  
Seconded by: G. Anderson  
THAT the agenda be approved.  
**Carried**
- (g) **Memorial**
- (i) **Braun Gagnon**  
The memorial of Braun Gagnon was read by Trustee Collver.
- (ii) **Isaac Legate**  
The memorial of Isaac Legate was read by Trustee Bradford.
- (iii) **John Guthro**  
The memorial of John Guthro was read by Trustee Anderson.
- (h) **In-Camera Report** - Nil



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(i) **Learn Lean Inspire Awards**

Director Roberto presented a Learn Lead Inspire Award to John Macdonald, a teacher and coach at Pauline Johnson Collegiate and Vocational School who demonstrates his commitment to learning and achievement by setting high expectations for his students and athletes, motivating them to reach their full potential and always leading by example.

(j) **Showcase**

(i) **Walter Gretzky Elementary School African-Caribbean Cultural Club Choir**

Director Roberto introduced the staff and students of the Walter Gretzky African Caribbean Cultural Club Choir who performed a musical interlude.

(ii) **Distributive Education Clubs of American (DECA) Award Winners**

Director Roberto introduced the Distributive Education Clubs of American (DECA) Award Winners from McKinnon Park Secondary School.

(k) **Delegation – Nil**

B - 1 **Consent Agenda**

THAT the Board accept the February 24, 2025 Consent Agenda and the recommendations contained therein.

Moved by: C. VanEvery-Albert

Seconded by: J. Bradford

(a) Approve the minutes of:

(i) Regular Board meeting dated January 27, 2025

(b) Receive the minutes of:

(i) Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee meeting dated October 24, 2024

(c) Receive the correspondence from:

(i) Algoma District School Board dated January 21, 2025

(ii) Ottawa Catholic District School Board dated January 27, 2025

(iii) Ottawa Catholic District School Board dated January 30, 2025

**Carried**

C - 1 **Committee Recommendations and Reports**

(a) **Finance Committee Meeting Report dated February 10, 2025**

Presented as printed.

D - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings – Nil**

E - 1 **Report of the Director**

The following highlights were included in the Director's Report:

- North Park Collegiate Institute Music Program
- McKinnon Park Secondary School Student Art Exhibition
- OSSTF Awards
- 100 Days of School Milestone



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- Tech is Grand
- Building Resilient Classrooms
- Hagersville Secondary School Wrestling
- Football Scholarship – C. McKie – Delhi District Secondary School
- Days of Significance

(a) **Director of Education Fall Highlights 2024**

Presented as published.

F - 1 **Student Trustees' Report** – Nil

G - 1 **New Business - Action / Information Items**

(a) **Approval to Tender Construction at Cobblestone Elementary School**

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Board approve the release of the tender documents for the new childcare addition and the eight-classroom addition at Cobblestone Elementary School.

**Carried**

H - 1 **OPSBA Report**

Trustee Van Every-Albert noted the following:

- Central-West Regional Meeting – April 5, 2025
- 2025 Education Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium – May 1-2, 2025
- Annual General Meeting – June 14, 2025
- Congress and National Trustee Gathering on Indigenous Education of the Canadian School Boards Association – July 2-5, 2025


I - 1 **Adjournment**


Moved by: L. Whiton

Seconded by: L. Passmore

THAT the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

**Carried**

  
Chair S. Gibson

  
Director of Education and Secretary of the Board J. Roberto

