



## Regular Board Meeting

Monday, April 22, 2024

Education Centre Boardroom

### MINUTES

**Present:** Chair: S. Gibson, Vice-Chair: B. Doyle, Trustees: G. Anderson, J. Bradford, R. Collver, L. Passmore, E. Thomas, T. Sault, C. VanEvery-Albert, T. Waldschmidt, E. Whiton (MS Teams), Student Trustees: M. Baker, K. Gayowsky

**Administration:** Director: J. Roberto, Superintendents: P. Ashe, K. Graham, L. Munro, D. Smouter, L. Thompson, J. Tozer, R. Vankerrebroeck, J. White, R. Wyszynski, Executive Assistant: C. Dero, Recording Secretary: K. Ireland-Aitken

**Absent:** Student Trustee A. Skye

A - 1 **Opening (6:31 p.m.)**

(a) **Roll Call**

Chair Gibson confirmed roll call.

(b) **Declaration of Conflict of Interest - Nil**

(c) **In-Camera Session (6:33 p.m.)**

Moved by: J. Bradford

Seconded by: B. Doyle

THAT the Board move In-Camera.

**Carried**

(d) **Welcome to Open Session/Land Acknowledgment Statement**

Chair Gibson read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

(e) **Call to Order**

Chair Gibson called the Regular Board meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

(f) **Additions/Deletions/Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: T. Sault

THAT the agenda be approved.

**Carried**

(g) **Memorial**

(i) **Dallas Grandpre**

The memorial of Dallas Grandpre was read by Trustee Waldschmidt.

(h) **In-Camera Report**

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: T. Waldschmidt

THAT the Board approve the attached Governance Policy #5, to replace the current Governance Policy #5, as required by Ontario Regulation (O. Reg.) 83/24, effective May



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15, 2024, and for the purpose of the Director's Performance Review now under way, the current Governance Policy #5 remains in force and effect.

**Carried**

Moved by: T. Waldschmidt

Seconded by: G. Anderson

THAT the Board approve the appointment of the current Director's Performance Review Committee members to the Director Performance Appraisal Committee, pursuant to Section 3 of O. Reg. 83/24, effective May 15, 2024.

The Terms of Reference for the Director's Performance Appraisal Committee shall be to conduct the Director's Performance Appraisal in accordance with Governance Policy #5, O. Reg. 83/24, and other applicable provisions of the Education Act and its regulations.

The Director's Performance Appraisal Committee shall complete the Director's Performance Review currently in process.

**Carried**

Moved by: B. Doyle

Seconded by: J. Bradford

THAT Item D-1-b be approved.

**Carried**

(i) **Student Showcase**

(i) **James Hillier Public School**

Director Roberto introduced the students from James Hillier Public School who placed first at the Norfolk Musical Arts Festival and performed their French second language presentation piece "Le corbeau et le renard".

(ii) **Punjabi Language Elementary and Secondary Students (GELA)**

Director Roberto introduced GELA's Punjabi students celebrating Sikh Heritage Month. They sang Shabad as a part of their celebration.

(j) **Delegations – Nil**

B - 1 **Approval of Minutes**

(a) **March 25, 2024 (Regular Board Meeting)**

Moved by: G. Anderson

Seconded by: L. Passmore

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting dated March 25, 2024, be approved.

**Carried**

C - 1 **Committee Recommendations and Reports**

(a) **Finance Committee Meeting Report dated April 8, 2024**

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- D - 1 **Business Arising from Minutes and/or Previous Meetings** – Nil
- E - 1 **Report of the Director**  
Director Roberto highlighted the following:
- Learning at Grand Erie – GEMAAP and PA Day
  - Recycling Solar Eclipse Glasses
  - Bay Area Science and Engineering Fair Winners
  - Bite of Brant
  - The Little Mermaid at Pauline Johnson
  - Art Soup
  - Jane Goodall: Reasons for Hope
  - Braiding Diversity into Justice
  - Brant OPP Event
  - Brant Fire Department at Tollgate Technical Skills Centre
  - Lansdowne Children's Centre Celebrated 50 Years
  - PSW Funding
  - Budget Survey
  - Days of Significance
  - Indigenous Youth Artists
  - Upcoming Events – GEPIC – Power of Connection and Wellness Out Loud
- F - 1 **Student Trustees' Report** - Nil
- G - 1 **New Business - Action / Information Items**
- (a) **Annual Learning and Operating Plan Mid Term Update**  
Presented.
- (b) **Trustee Expenses**  
Presented as printed.
- (c) **Finance Committee, Policy and Program Committee and Regular Board Meeting Schedule 2024-25**  
Moved by: G. Anderson  
Seconded by: E. Thomas  
THAT the Finance Committee, Policy and Program Committee and Regular Board Meeting Schedule 2024-25 be approved.  
**Carried**
- H - 1 **Other Business**
- (a) **Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes dated December 14, 2023**  
Presented as printed.
- (b) **Grand Erie Parent Involvement Committee Meeting Minutes dated January 25, 2024**  
Presented as printed.
- (c) **Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes dated March 7, 2024**  
Presented as printed.



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I - 1 **OPSBA Report**

Trustee VanEvery-Albert advised of the following:

- Central West Regional meeting hosted by Grand Erie was well received
- Labour Relations Symposium – April 25-26, 2024
- 2024 Canadian School Board Association Congress and National Trustees Gathering on Indigenous Education – July 3-5, 2024

J - 1 **Correspondence** – presented as printed.

- (a) The Children’s Safety Village of Brant dated February 19, 2024
- (b) Grand Erie District School Board dated March 22, 2024
- (c) Ottawa-Carlton District School Board dated April 4, 2024
- (d) Ottawa-Carlton District School Board dated April 4, 2024

K - 1 **Adjournment**

Moved by: R. Collver

Seconded by: J. Bradford

THAT the Regular Board meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

**Carried**

Chair S. Gibson

Director of Education and Secretary of the Board J. Roberto