

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 6:15 P.M.
Roy H. Wilfong Boardroom, Education Centre
1994 Fisher Drive, Peterborough, Ontario**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Diane Lloyd (Chairperson of the Board), Sarah Bobka (Vice-chairperson of the Board), Cathy Abraham, Terry Brown, Cyndi Dickson, Kailee Dupuis, Rose Kitney, Jaine Klassen Jeninga, Angela Lloyd, Emilio Ojeda, Steve Russell, and Student Trustees Jorja Darrington and Justine Mackay.

Also Present: J. Leclerc, C. Arnew, A. Duncan, S. Girardi, G. Ingram, P. Mangold, J. Nigro, G. Tompkins, J. Tompkins; G. Kidd, and L. Burton.

Considering the current health advisory and public health measures in place provincially, the meeting was held virtually using the WebEx platform.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

The Chairperson recognized and acknowledged that the Board is meeting on the traditional territory of the Mississauga First Nations.

DECLARATION OF NEW TRUSTEE

Director Leclerc stated at its April 8, 2020 Special Board Meeting, the Board appointed Emilio Ojeda as the Trustee for the Township of Asphodel-Norwood, Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methuen, Municipality of Trent Hills effective April 28, 2020 to November 30, 2022. Trustee Ojeda agreed to the Declaration of Office as required under the provision of Section 209 of the Education Act and agreed to the Oath of Allegiance.

Board members welcomed Trustee Ojeda.

2. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga
Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

(20-071) That the Board move into Committee of the Whole, In-camera (6:22 p.m.).

CARRIED

The Open Session of the meeting resumed at 7:02 p.m.

3. **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE**

The meeting was opened with the playing of the National Anthem followed by a Moment of Silence.

4. **CHARACTER ATTRIBUTE – STUDENT TRUSTEE**

Student Trustee Jorja Darrington spoke to this month's character attribute, *Responsibility*.

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga
Seconded by: Trustee A. Lloyd

(20-072) **That the agenda be adopted as printed.**

CARRIED

6. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

7. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

7.1 **Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Abraham
Seconded by: Trustee A. Lloyd

(20-073) **That the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 be adopted as recorded.**

CARRIED

A Board member asked for further information regarding the February delegation, Peterborough Youth Empowerment (PYE). Director Leclerc stated that this was a discussion with the Senior Administration and it does fit nicely with the new Strategic Plan, but at this time, given the current provincial health concerns, it is not the time to declare an Environmental State of Emergency. This could be considered as an item to move to the Program Review Committee meeting for further discussion.

7.2 **Special Board Meeting – Wednesday, March 25, 2020**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-074)

That the minutes for the Special Board meeting held on Wednesday, March 25, 2020 be adopted as recorded.

CARRIED

7.3 **Special Board Meeting – Wednesday, April 8, 2020**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-075)

That the minutes for the Special Board meeting held on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 be adopted as recorded.

CARRIED

8. **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

9. **DELEGATIONS**

9.1 **DELEGATIONS (10 minutes)**

Chairperson of the Board, D. Lloyd, stated although there were no 10-minute delegations for this meeting, she drew attention to a letter from L. Milsap, which was included in the Trustees' packages. The letter references suggested names for the new school being built in Peterborough.

9.2 **DELEGATIONS (3 minutes)**

Nil.

9.3 **DISPOSITION OF DELEGATION CONCERNS**

Nil.

10. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Nil.

11. **STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT**

Student Trustee Justine MacKay spoke to the effects the current health situation and social distancing is having on students. J. MacKay noted that many students have had the opportunity to connect with their teachers through distance learning. They have access to an adult they trust, as well as the mental health resources being shared by the board. She noted that both herself and Jorja wish to take a moment to appreciate the work and dedication that teachers and staff have made to adjust and support all students from a distance and accommodate student needs.

J. Mackay noted, despite school closure and social distancing, student councils are working to keep students engaged through social media challenges such as spirit week online, shareable school bingos, and posting hashtags on social media which all involve school spirit from home

Board members thanked the student trustees for their informative report.

12. **DECISION ITEMS**

12.1 **COMMITTEE DECISION REPORTS**

12.1.1 **Ad Hoc Committee – Naming of the New Peterborough Elementary School Report**

Superintendent Duncan spoke to the report noting the committee met on three occasions and then participated in an online survey. Similar to other naming committees, KPR shared information through various methods of communication. A.M. Duncan noted that at the January 9, 2020 committee meeting, a shortlist of 3 names taken from the 52 received from committee and community members was created.

Superintendent Duncan spoke to the names listed and provided background information on each, noting Shining Waters was perceived as indigenous connection. With this, both Curve Lake and Hiawatha First Nations were contacted for their thoughts on this name. Following this, a recommendation from Curve Lake First Nation, was to have Kaa-Waa-Te Public School added to the shortlist.

Superintendent Duncan noted that East City school was recommended a total of 12 of the 52 suggestions received. The most suggested name received by the committee. The East City naming seemed relevant given the historical name for the area of town as well as the new build being referred to as the New East City School throughout this process. A.M. Duncan reviewed the relevance for each name for Board members.

After an in-depth breakdown of the report, A.M. Duncan provided the members of the Board with the recommendation.

A Board member asked questions of clarification and noted it was appreciated to have involved our indigenous communities, however, could not support the name Shining Waters Public School. This was supported by other Board members.

A Board member thanked Superintendent Duncan for her time and asked to put a recommendation on the floor.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-076)

That the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board name of the new Peterborough elementary school to be East City Public School.

CARRIED

12.1.2 **Program Review Committee Report**

Trustee Russell, Committee Chairperson, spoke to the report noting the committee met on March 10, 2020, where the committee approved the revision to Board Policy ES-3.8, Special Education along with the postponement of Take you MPP to School Day.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Russell
Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

(20-077)

That Board Policy ES-3.8, Special Education, be approved as revised.

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Russell
Seconded by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga

(20-078)

That the Board's participation in the "Take Your MPP to School Day" initiative be postponed, and that a letter be forwarded to MPPs.

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Russell
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-079)

That the Program Review Committee Report, dated April 28, 2020, be received for information.

CARRIED

12.2 **DECISION REPORTS**

12.2.1 **Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)**

Chairperson of the Board, D. Lloyd, spoke to the report noting that this report would normally go to the March Board meeting however, due to cancellation, Board members agreed with it coming to the April Board meeting. D. Lloyd stated that OPSBA is designed to represent and promote the interests and concerns of Ontario's public school board trustees and public education.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee A. Lloyd

(20-080)

That the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board reaffirm its membership in the Ontario Public School Boards' Association for 2020.

CARRIED

In reference to the next motion, the Chairperson asked Trustee Abraham to speak regarding the position of the Board Delegate Member to OPSBA. C. Abraham stated this person is responsible for taking information from our Board to OPSBA and likewise bringing information from OPSBA back to our Board. This person will also carry the vote for our Board at the OPSBA table.

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-081) That Trustee Klassen Jeninga be nominated to be the Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.**

CARRIED

Trustee Klassen Jeninga confirmed that she was willing to let her name stand.

After calling three times for further nominations, nominations were closed.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-082) That Trustee Klassen Jeninga be appointed to be the Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.**

CARRIED

The Chairperson opened nominations for the position of Alternate Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee D. Lloyd

- (20-083) That Trustee A. Lloyd be nominated as the Alternate Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Dickson
Seconded by: Trustee Brown

- (20-084) That Trustee Kitney be nominated as the Alternate Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.**

CARRIED

After calling three times for further nominations, nominations were closed.

Nominees were asked if they were prepared to let their names stand.

Trustee A. Lloyd thanked her nominators and said she would allow her name to stand.

Trustee Kitney thanked her nominators and said she did not wish to have her name stand at this time.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-085)

That Trustee A. Lloyd be appointed as the Alternate Director and Delegate Member from March 2020 until March 2021.

CARRIED

12.2.2 **Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational Institute Shop and Science Room Renovations Tender**

Superintendent Arnew spoke to the report noting according to Board Policy BA-5.1, Purchasing Procedures, requires Board approval for capital project tenders and consulting services in excess of \$1,000,000 or expenditures which exceed the budgeted amount by 10% and \$100,000. Superintendent Arnew drew Board members' attention to Appendix A of the report where a description of the work was listed along with tender bids received.

A brief discussion occurred, and questions of clarification were asked and addressed.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Abraham
Seconded by: Trustee Brown

(20-086)

That the tender for Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational Institute Shop and Science Room Renovations be awarded to Beavermead Construction (1991) Limited, in the amount of \$1,204,391.60 including net tax (2.16%).

CARRIED

12.2.3 **2020 Budget Committee Meeting Dates and Election of Budget Committee Vice-chairperson**

Superintendent Arnew spoke to the report noting that according to Board Policy B-2.2, Annual Meetings and Committees of the Board, the Board establishes a Committee of the Whole Budget Committee, consisting of the entire Board, to be chaired by the Vice-chairperson of the Board in open session committee meetings. In-camera sessions will be chaired by the Vice-

chairperson of the Budget Committee. He noted each year at this time, the Budget Committee Vice-chairperson is elected.

Discussion occurred and questions of clarification included:

- The expected date of receipt of the Grant for Student Needs (GSN),
- Budget Committee meeting dates, and
- The need to have the enrolment numbers and GSN amounts to hold a productive meeting.

Superintendent Arnew spoke to process to be followed by the committee noting based on discussion, the first meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2020.

The Chairperson opened the floor to nominations for the Vice-chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Budget Committee.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee A. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-087)

That Trustee Kitney be nominated as Vice-chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Budget Committee.

CARRIED

After calling three times for further nominations, nominations were closed.

Trustee Kitney was asked if she was prepared to let their name stand. Trustee Kitney thanked her nominators and agreed to allow her name stand.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee A. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-088)

That Trustee Kitney be elected as Vice-chairperson of the Committee of the Whole Budget Committee.

CARRIED

12.2.4 **Bowmanville High School Science Room Renovations Tender**

Superintendent Arnew spoke to the report noting that this report follows the same process as the Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational Institute. Superintendent Arnew drew Board

members' attention to Appendix A of the report which shows the tender coming in over budget due to asbestos removal. Superintendent Arnew noted although Gerr Construction is the low tender bid, this company has performed satisfactory work for KPR in the past.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Brown
Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

- (20-089) **That the tender for Bowmanville High School Science Room Renovations be awarded to Gerr Construction Limited, in the amount of \$1,154,880.80 including net tax (2.16%).**

CARRIED

13. **ONTARIO PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARDS' ASSOCIATION (OPSBA) REPORT**

Trustee Klassen Jeninga, the Board's Delegate Member of OPSBA, extended her appreciation for being appointed as the Board representative to OPSBA.

Trustee Klassen Jeninga encouraged Board member to review the Anti-bullying correspondence which was shared. She noted that it is a sound submission, however, welcomes comments, concerns or recommendations from other Board members.

Trustee Abraham spoke to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) stated it is postponed until later in the fall of 2020. Information pertaining to voting will be shared with Board members prior to the fall meeting.

Trustee Abraham also noted that the Canadian School Board Association (CSBA) meeting is cancelled this year and will not be rescheduled. The next meeting will take place in 2021.

14. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

15. **INFORMATION ITEMS – CONSENT ITEMS**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

- (20-090) **That the following agenda items for April Board meeting be received for information:**

- **Item 15.1 Special Education Advisory Committee Report – March 2020**
- **Item 15.2 Special Education Advisory Committee Report - April 2020**

- **Item 15.3 Employee Recognition Committee Report**
- **Item 15.4 Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario Governance Committee Report**
- **Item 15.5 Education Development Charges Update**

Requests were made by Board members to pull the following reports for comment and/or discussion:

- Item 15.2 Special Education Advisory Committee Report – April 2020
- Item 15.3 Employee Recognition Committee Report
- Item 15.4 Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario Governance Committee Report
- Item 15.5 Education Development Charges Update

The motion was **CARRIED**

15.2 Special Education Advisory Committee Report

Trustee A. Lloyd, Committee Chairperson, stated the committee met on April 7, 2020 where they heard a presentation on Trauma Informed Schools.

Superintendent Duncan spoke to the Trauma Informed Schools program, noting that 1 in 4 students have been exposed to a traumatic event in their life which affects how a child develops and how a child adapts physically, behaviourally and mentally. This program is currently in a pilot process at Norwood District High School where staff members have been trained in Trauma Sensitivity. The school has seen a decrease in suspensions since the implementation of the pilot program.

Currently 150 KPR staff members have been trained in Trauma Sensitivity. Staff training will continue in the 2020-2021 school year.

15.3 **Employee Recognition Committee Report**

Trustee Abraham, Committee Chairperson, spoke to this report stating the Employee Recognition Dinner has been postponed due to the current health advisory and public health measures in place provincially. Trustee Abraham noted the Board will be kept informed when a new date is scheduled.

15.4 **Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario (STSCO) Governance Committee Report**

D. Lloyd, Committee Co-Chairperson/Chairperson of the Board noted the committee met on April 15, 2020, where the committee heard budget information for the current year.

Chairperson D. Lloyd noted, due to COVID-19 restrictions, much of the transportation system planning regarding the following: bell time changes, changes to walk zones and utilization of public transit have been postponed until next school year.

Chairperson D. Lloyd shared news of four Peterborough area bus drivers who were nominated for Best Bus Driver of the Year as part of the PTBOTODAY.CA annual Spirit Awards.

A lengthy discussion occurred, and Board members asked questions of clarification which were addressed.

15.5 **Education Development Charges (EDC) Update**

Superintendent Arnew spoke to the report on the Education Development Charges (EDC) which was scheduled with the co-terminous board for May 5, 2020. Options of hosting the meeting virtually were investigated, however the Ministry of Education announced amendments to the Education Act providing EDC by-law extensions. C. Arnew noted the current work is still valid and on the KPR website. This will be updated in the fall. He stated, it is beneficial to the board to have this meeting postponed to the fall which will then align the Peterborough and Northumberland area EDCs to renew at the same time every five years.

Questions of clarification were asked and addressed.

16. **BOARD MEMBER ADDITIONS**

Nil.

17. **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Chairperson D. Lloyd drew attention to the future meeting dates listed in the Board agenda.

Discussion occurred regarding the May 19, 2020 – MPP/Trustee Dialogue Session. The decision to postpone until late September or early October was agreed upon.

18. **QUESTION PERIOD**

Chairperson D. Lloyd opened the meeting to questions from the floor.

The Board recessed at 9:02 p.m. before moving back to the In-camera Session.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Dickson

(20-091) That the Board recess before moving back to In-Camera Session to complete unfinished business.

CARRIED

The Board reconvened to Open Session 9:38 p.m.

19. **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

19.1 **Real Estate Disposal Committee Report – Recommendation 1**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Bobka
Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

(20-092) That 52 Duke Street, Bowmanville, Ontario be sold to Noranheim Holdings Corp. for \$415,000 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the offer be approved.

CARRIED

20. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee A. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-093) That the meeting be adjourned (9:39 p.m.).

CARRIED

Diane Lloyd
Chairperson of the Board

Jennifer Leclerc
Director of Education
and Secretary of the Board

**Kawartha Pine Ridge
District School Board**