

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

**Tuesday, October 27, 2020 at 6:15 P.M.
Roy H. Wilfong Boardroom, Education Centre
1994 Fisher Drive, Peterborough, Ontario**

Due to the current healthy advisory, the meeting was attended in person by half the Board members and Senior Administration with the remaining attending virtually through the WebEx platform and was livestreamed through the KPR YouTube channel.

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 Roan Haggerty-Goede and Justine Mackay.

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

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.

2. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Abraham
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-204) That the Board move into Committee of the Whole, In-camera (6:17 p.m.).
CARRIED

The Open Session of the meeting resumed at 7:55 p.m.

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

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

4. **CHARACTER ATTRIBUTE – STUDENT TRUSTEE**

Student Trustee Justine Mackay spoke to this month's character attribute, *Fairness*.

ACCOLADE PRESENTATION

Paul Dunford

Winner of the 1st Annual PTBOTODAY.ca Spirit Award – **Best Bus Driver**

Superintendent C. Arnew spoke to this award stating the Best Bus Driver award was awarded through the Peterborough Today Spirit Award for the first time in March 2020. Due to COVID-19, the award presentation has been placed on hold. The award was given to the bus driver who has received the most votes. Paul Dunford is a retired Ontario Provincial Police Officer of 36 years and has driven for Ellwood Hamilton Bus Lines for just over 1 year now.

C. Arnew expressed a sincere thank you and congratulations to Paul Dunford, for making such an impact on our students and their families.

On behalf of the Board members, Chairperson D. Lloyd expressed her appreciation.

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Bobka

(20-205) **That the agenda be adopted to include the following topics under Board Member Additions:**

- **OSTA-AECO Virtual meeting**
- **Purple Campaign**
- **Edge Program**

CARRIED

6. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

7. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

7.1 **Regular Board Meeting – Tuesday, September 29, 2020**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-206) That the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 be adopted as recorded.

CARRIED

It was,

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

- (20-207) That the minutes for the Special Board meeting held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 be adopted as recorded.

CARRIED

Chairperson D. Lloyd provided a warm welcome to KPR's newest Superintendent, James Brake.

8. **EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

8.1 **Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month**

Superintendent J. Brake presented the Board with an update of activities taking place during the Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month (IPAM). J. Brake stated November has been chosen as it includes Treaty Recognition Week, Louis Riel Day and Inuit Day. J. Brake shared a slideshow with Board members and noted this year information will go directly to the schools including staff, students and virtual students who will have a variety of learning opportunities throughout the month which will include Treaty Awareness, Medicines, Foods, Bushcrafting, Film Curation Music and Culture, facilitated by elders and knowledge keepers. J. Brake stated on November 21 Indigenous youth can participate in workshops preparing for winter such as moccasin building, learning about traditional medicines, and more by participating in TRACKS (Tent Aboriginal Cultural Knowledge and Science) Oshkwazin Youth Leadership Conference through Trent University.

Questions of clarification were asked and addressed by Superintendent Brake.

Student Trustee Mackay expressed appreciation on behalf of all KPR students for the work being done.

9. **DELEGATIONS**

9.1 **DELEGATIONS (10 minutes)**

Nil.

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 Roan Haggerty-Goede presented the report and spoke to the return to school for students being both virtually and in person and commended everyone in KPR for their continued dedication to keeping everyone safe.

R. Haggerty-Goede noted, although extra-curriculars are not running yet, the student councils are finding ways to engage with the student body safely. Clubs are beginning to run in a virtual format. R. Haggerty-Goede spoke to programs running at a number of schools across the system. The Student Leadership Group (SLG) has had their first meeting and the focus this year will have an equity lens including (but not limited to) pursuing actively anti-racist policy, continuing to implement and promote anti-oppressive education and advocating for increased inclusion for marginalized student voices. R. Haggerty-Goede noted the SLG would like to reach out to students from Indigenous communities within the board to invite and encourage increased representation of Indigenous student voice within the SLG.

12. **DECISION ITEMS**

12.1 **COMMITTEE DECISION REPORTS**

12.1.1 **Resource Committee Report**

Committee Chairperson A. Lloyd stated the committee met in person and virtually on October 7, 2020. The committee heard presentations regarding the virtual school and home-schooling potential impact on funding, bus driver shortages and board banking services contract with the Royal Bank of Canada.

A. Lloyd noted the committee heard the enrolments statistics for the virtual schools along with the total of 415 elementary students and 85 secondary students being home schooled. A. Lloyd stated the home-schooling could have an impact on funding. This will be monitored by Senior Administration.

Committee Chairperson A. Lloyd stated the committee received an update on busing where currently 22 buses have been cancelled due to bus driver shortage. Superintendent Arnew was invited to speak and provide an update. C. Arnew noted that STSCO is hopeful to have extra buses on the road within the next couple of weeks. Attridge Transportation Inc. have indicated they have drivers who can take over some routes and First Student have indicated that they have third party drivers that could fill several cancelled runs.

Committee Chairperson A. Lloyd noted that the current contract with Royal Bank of Canada expires on December 31, 2020. A. Lloyd stated that several factors have impeded the process for a Request for Proposal (RFP) including the current climate as a result of COVID-19. Administration would like to see the new contract coincide with the school bank year-end of July 31. A. Lloyd noted a RFP will take place this winter.

Questions of clarification were asked and were answered by Administration.

It was,

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

(20-208)

That the Banking Services contract extension to July 31, 2021 with Royal Bank of Canada be approved.

CARRIED

It was,

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

(20-209)

That the Resource Committee Report, dated October 27, 2020, be received for information.

CARRIED

12.1.2 **Program Review Committee Report**

Committee Chairperson S. Russell stated that the committee met in person on October 13, 2020 where topics included an update on International Education, Secondary Re-Opening, Ontario Mathematics Curriculum 2020 and an Assessment and Evaluation Update.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Russell
Seconded by: Trustee Bobka

- (20-210) **That the Board support the continuation of an International Student Program that meets current federal and provincial requirements.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Russell

Seconded by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga

- (20-211) **That the Program Review Committee Report, dated October 27, 2020, be received for information.**

CARRIED

12.1.3 **Chairpersons' Committee Report**

Committee Chairperson and Chairperson of the Board, D. Lloyd stated that the committee met on October 14, 2020 where topics included the Director's Update, Policy Review for 2020-2021, Delegation of June 18, 2020 – Name of New East City Public School and a Trustee Budget Update.

Chairperson D. Lloyd reviewed the policies listed in the report. Questions of clarification regarding policies were asked and addressed by Administration.

In discussion of the naming of the new school in Peterborough, Trustee Russell provided the Board with a notice of motion; at the next regular Board meeting on November 24, he will provide a motion that the previously adopted motion of April 28, 2020 be amended to have the name of the new school in East City, Peterborough be Kaawaate East City Public School.

An in-depth discussion occurred. Questions of clarification were asked and addressed.

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

- (20-212) **That Board Policy B-6.1, School Councils, be approved with no changes.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-213) **That Board Policy B-6.2, School Councils' Associations, be approved with no changes.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga

(20-214) **That Board Policy BA-1.2, Pupil Accommodation Review: School Closure/Consolidation, be approved with no changes.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-215) **That Board Policy B-4.4, Orientation Program for Newly Elected Trustees, be deferred to the next Chairpersons' Committee Meeting.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-216) **That Board Policy BA-1.3, Cafeteria Services, be approved with no changes.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee Abraham

(20-217) **That Board Policy BA-4.7, Fidelity Insurance, be approved with no changes.**

CARRIED

It was,

Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd

Seconded by: Trustee A. Lloyd

(20-218) **That Board Policy BA-5.2, Disposal of Surplus or Obsolete Materials, Furniture and Equipment, be deferred to the next Chairpersons' Committee Meeting, where further specific information can be provided to trustees on how this is handled.**

CARRIED

It was,
Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-219) **That Board Policy BA-8.3, Route Operation, be approved with no changes.**
CARRIED

It was,
Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga

- (20-220) **That Board Policy BA-8.4, Safety and Conduct on School Buses, be approved with no changes.**
A Board member noted that they were opposed to this motion.
The motion was**CARRIED**

It was,
Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-221) **That Board Policy BA-8.5, Bus Accidents and Resulting Injuries, be approved with no changes.**
CARRIED

It was,
Moved by: Trustee D. Lloyd
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

- (20-222) **That the Chairpersons' Committee Report, dated October 27, 2020, be received for information.**
CARRIED

12.2 **DECISION REPORTS**

Nil.

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

Trustee J. Klassen Jeninga, the Board's Delegate Member of OPSBA, drew attention to the following:

- Changes to Regulation 274 – boards across the province can now move forward.
- The Ontario government has announced an addition of \$550 M to build schools across the province. October 30, 2020 is the deadline for boards to find out if they have been approved.

- The OPSBA Regional Council meeting on November 7, 2020 will be held virtually. Further information to follow.

14. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

15. **INFORMATION ITEMS – CONSENT ITEMS**

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Abraham
Seconded by: Trustee Kitney

(20-223) That the following agenda items for the October 27, 2020 Board meeting be received for information:

- **Item 15.1 Special Education Advisory Committee Report**
- **Item 15.2 Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Report**
- **Item 15.3 Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario (STSCO) Governance Committee Report**

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

- Item 15.2 Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Report

The motion was **CARRIED**

15.2 **Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Report**

Chairperson A. Lloyd spoke to the report stating the Menstrual Equity initiative has carried forward to this year and will be ongoing. A. Lloyd stated the Equity Calendar will not be provided in a printed copy this year due to current pandemic circumstances. She stated that the pandemic began in March 2020 and schools were closed at the time when submissions were to be received. A. Lloyd noted there is a link on the board website which will provide a calendar with important dates.

A number of Board members shared positive insights on the Menstrual Equity initiative.

Questions of clarification were asked and addressed.

16. **BOARD MEMBER ADDITIONS**

Student Trustee J. Mackay spoke to the OSTA-AECO Conference held the past weekend. J. Mackay invited co-trustee R. Haggerty-Goede to speak on his first conference experience. R. Haggerty-Goede stated the conference was very informative and provided important information on being a student trustee.

Trustee Abraham spoke to October 27 being Dress Purple Day. C. Abraham stated that Children's Aid Societies across Ontario raise awareness about the important role that individuals and communities play in supporting vulnerable children, youth and families through the provincial Dress Purple Day campaign. The campaign is more important than ever, since the COVID-19 pandemic has created additional stressors for families, and in some cases has increased risk for the well-being and safety of children and youth. C. Abraham encouraged all to wear purple in support of this day.

Trustee A. Lloyd spoke to a new program at Crestwood Secondary School, the "Edge Sports Program" which is teaching students fitness while also getting credits in areas such as coaching and CPR. A. Lloyd noted this is benefiting the mental and physical fitness of the students enrolled in this program.

17. **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

Chairperson D. Lloyd drew attention to the future meeting dates listed in the Board agenda. Attention was drawn to the change in date for Resource Committee Meeting from November 4, 2020 to November 11, 2020.

18. **QUESTION PERIOD**

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

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Kitney
Seconded by: Trustee Ojeda

(20-224) That the Board move back to In-camera session to complete unfinished business (9:00 p.m.)

CARRIED

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

It was,

Moved by: Trustee Bobka
Seconded by: Trustee Klassen Jeninga

19.1 Personnel Matter – Recommendation 1

(20-225) That Personnel Matter, Agenda Item IC.7.1, Recommendation 1, considered in the Committee of the Whole Board meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 be approved.

19.2 Resource Committee Report – Recommendation 2

(20-226) That Resource Committee Report, Agenda Item IC.7.5, Recommendation 2, considered in the Committee of the Whole Board meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2020 be approved.

19.3 Resource Committee Report – Recommendation 3

(20-227) That the catchment area for both the International Baccalaureate program at Kenner Collegiate Vocational Institute and the Integrated Arts program at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School be expanded to include the Village of Hastings on the northwest side (Peterborough side) of the Trent River.

19.4 Resource Committee Report – Recommendation 4

(20-228) That the Project Plan – Maintenance and Program Enhancements 2020-2021 be approved.

CARRIED

20. ADJOURNMENT

It was,

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

(20-229) 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**