

PROGRAM AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 6:00 p.m. Grimsby-Lincoln Room

PRESENT: Dave Schaubel (Chair), Helga Campbell, Diane Chase, Linda Crouch, Kevin Maves

ADMINISTRATION: Warren Hoshizaki, Jim Morgan, Paula MacKinnon, Helen McGregor, Lora Courtois

GUESTS: Cheryl Keddy-Scott, Dale Robinson, Stacy Veld, Sue Mabee, Cameron Hathaway

REGRETS:

SECRETARY: Nichola Lee

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dave Schaubel called the meeting of the Program and Planning Committee to order at 6:01pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Diane Chase, Seconded by Linda Crouch.

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF May 17, 2016

Moved by Helga Campbell, Seconded by Kevin Maves

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no new business arising from the Minutes of May 17, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Superintendent Paula MacKinnon discussed the Educational Research proposals and reports.

PROPOSAL #1

Title of Research: <u>An Evaluation of the Policy/Protocol Memorandum #158 to Require Concussion Education in Ontario Schools</u>

PROPOSAL #2

Title of Research: <u>Suspension and Expulsion Program Evaluation</u> (Funded by the Ministry of Education's Safe Schools and <u>Student Well-being Branch</u>)

Chair Schaubel asked if there were any questions or comments and there were none.

Moved by Diane Chase, Seconded by Linda Crouch.

"That the report of the Educational Research Committee of May 19, 2016 be received."

CARRIED

OSSLT

Chair Schaubel invited Superintendent Helen McGregor to review her report.

Superintendent McGregor updated the Committee on the Literacy test, which will take place on October 20, 2016. Students will use an online format; in March they will have a choice of taking the test online or on paper. The results will be published in January and students who are not successful in October can take the test in March using either format. Literacy teams from the high schools have been updated on how to support students, and can access materials put together by a DSBN Writing Team. Superintendent McGregor shared copies of an OSSLT pamphlet with the Committee that will be distributed to students and parents. Trustee Helga Campbell asked if students would be using the school computer labs to take the test. Superintendent McGregor responded that both computer labs and Chromebooks would be used, and an IT contact would be in the schools on the day of the test to assist.

Chair Schaubel asked if there were any questions or comments and there were none.

Moved by Helga Campbell, and seconded by Kevin Maves.

"That the OSSLT report by Superintendent Helen McGregor be received."

CARRIED

WEST NIAGARA SECONDARY ACCOMMODATION REVIEW

Chair Schaubel invited Superintendent Jim Morgan to present the *West Niagara Secondary Accommodation Review Initial Staff Report*. The document provides background information on the accommodation scenario at Grimsby Secondary School, Beamsville Secondary School and South Lincoln High School as outlined on page 13 of the report. Superintendent Morgan reviewed the strategies considered along with the potential accommodation options, which are summarized in *Appendix B* of the report.

Superintendent Morgan addressed a question from Trustee Helga Campbell regarding the two-phased plan. He confirmed that students from Zone C would be directed to EL Crossley Secondary School, and Zone A & B students to Grimsby Secondary School in 2017, as outlined in *Appendix D*. Superintendent McGregor explained that there would be minimal disruption to students with only one transition for their secondary education.

The question of consolidation funding was raised by Trustee Diane Chase. Superintendent Stacy Veld responded that the Board will be seeking consolidation funding from the Province for the cost of the construction of the recommendations in the report. Trustee Chase asked about the capacity of the proposed new build. Superintendent Veld explained that when the business case is submitted to the Ministry consideration is given to enrolment projections over a 10 year period.

In response to a question about transportation costs during building, Superintendent Morgan said that factoring cost is difficult to determine as bussing is routinely adjusted due to double runs, and the location of any future builds is yet to be determined. Trustee Chase requested that information on maximum route times be forwarded to her after the meeting.

Trustee Campbell inquired about discussions with municipalities. Superintendent Morgan explained that preliminary discussions were held last March, April and May to gather information from the affected communities, who show support for a new school in their area.

Trustee Linda Crouch asked if the DSBN would be considering consolidation for St. Catharines Collegiate. Director Warren Hoshizaki responded that the decision to commence an accommodation review rests with the Trustees.

The Accommodation Review team was commended by Trustee Chase for putting together a thorough report.

Chair Schaubel asked if there were any further questions and there were none.

Moved by Kevin Maves, and seconded by Diane Chase.

"That the Board receive the West Niagara Secondary Accommodation Review Initial Staff Report; and,

That the Board initiate the West Niagara Secondary Accommodation Review for Beamsville District SS, Grimsby SS, and South Lincoln HS; and,

That an Accommodation Review Committee be created to consider the West Niagara Secondary Accommodation Review; and,

That the composition of the West Niagara Secondary Accommodation review Committee be approved as outlined in this report and in accordance with Policy F-2; and,

That Trustee Dave Schaubel be appointed as the Trustee representative from another jurisdiction; and,

That staff be directed to provide notice of initiation as set out in Policy F-2."

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

NEXT MEETING

The next Program and Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for <u>Tuesday, October 4, 2016</u> at 6:00 p.m. in the Grimsby-Lincoln Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Diane chase, Seconded by Helga Campbell

"That the meeting of the Program and Planning Committee adjourn."

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.