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| RESENT: Trustees: | Chair Elizabeth Hudie, Vice-Chair Scott McKinlay, Randy Campbell, Dave Douglas, Jack Fletcher, Tom McGregor, Scott McKinlay, Lareina Rising (via teleconference), Shannon Sasseville (via teleconference) |
| Student Trustee | Elisabeth Guthrie and Evan Rogers |
| Staff: | Director of Education Jim Costello, Superintendent of Business Brian McKay, Superintendents of Education, Angie Barrese, Gary Girardi, Helen Lane, Taf Lounsbury, Mark Sherman and Phil Warner and Heather Hughes, Public Relations Officer |
| Regrets: | Trustees Jane Bryce, Ruth Ann Dodman, Bob Murphy |
| Recording Secretary: | Trish Johnston, Executive Assistant and Communications Officer |
| Call to Order: | Chair Hudie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chair Hudie read the Traditional Territorial Acknowledgement. |
| #2018-30 Approval of the Agenda Jan/30/2018 | Moved by Jack Fletcher, seconded by Tom McGregor, "That the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting Public Session of January 30, 2018 be approved." <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED.</p> |
| Declaration of Conflict of Interest: | No declarations of conflict of interest were issued. |
| #2018-31 Approval of Minutes Jan/16/2018 | Moved by Randy Campbell, seconded by Jack Fletcher, "That the Board approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 16, 2018." <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED.</p> |
| Business Arising | None |
| #2018-32 Action of the Regular Board Private Session be the Action of the Board | Moved by Scott McKinlay, seconded by Tom McGregor, "That the Action of the Board in Private Session be the Action of the Board." <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED.</p> |
| Questions from the Public | None |
| Policy and Regulations on <i>Development and review of LKDSB Policies and Regulations</i> Report B-18-17 | Director Costello explained that the policy and regulations on <i>Development and Review of LKDSB Policies and Regulations</i> have been reviewed as part of the LKDSB cyclical review. He advised that the LKDSB currently has 88 policies and 82 regulations, all of which are available on the LKDSB website in the interest of informing school communities and maintaining public transparency. Administration is proposing that the cyclical review be changed from a three-year review to a four-year review. This would coincide with the four-year Term of Office for the Trustees. Transition to a four-year cycle would in no way reduce the impact of any of these policies and regulations as new and urgent legislation is always addressed and implemented promptly. He used the example of the expected release of the Ministry's new pupil accommodation review guidelines. The LKDSB pupil accommodation policies and regulations would be brought to |

- the Board as soon as possible. In response to Student Trustee Rogers's question regarding Trustees asking administration to create policies, Director Costello confirmed that Trustees are policy makers and that the Director is the sole employee of the Board responsible for implementing policies and regulations. He explained that Bill 177 outlines school boards' responsibilities to govern. The operational duties are the responsibility of the Director of Education. Vice-Chair McKinlay commented that Trustees can suggest a policy or something the Board might like to see built into a process, but Trustees do not create policies. Trustees provide input to guide Administration.
- #2018-33
Policy and Regulations on
*Development and review
of LKDSB Policies and
Regulations*
- Moved by Scott McKinlay, seconded by Jack Fletcher,
"That the Board approve the review of the policy and revised regulations
on *Development and Review of LKDSB Policies and Regulations.*"
- CARRIED.
- Request from Great Lakes
Secondary School to
name the First Nation,
Métis and Inuit Room the
*Kim Henry - Gnaajwi
Biidaabiniikwe (Beautiful
Morning Woman)
Owaanzhgan – "The Den"*
Report B-18-18
- Superintendent Girardi acknowledged the work of Principal Wiersma and Vicki Ware on behalf of the Great Lakes Secondary School (GLSS) community. He explained that Section 6 of the LKDSB regulations "Naming and Renaming of Board Facilities" outlines the steps that a school community must follow to rename section(s) of a school. In compliance with the regulations, Great Lakes Secondary School formed an In-House Committee to consider naming the new First Nation, Métis and Inuit Room the *Kim Henry - Gnaajwi Biidaabiniikwe (Beautiful Morning Woman) Owaanzhgan – "The Den"*. Superintendent Girardi stated that Kim Henry is a respected member of the community and was a Lambton County Board of Education Trustee from 1992 to 1994. He shared that the Aamjiwnaang Chief and Council are honoured to be part of this naming process. Executive Council supports the Committee's request. The students currently refer to the room as *The Den*.
- #2018-34
GLSS - First Nation, Métis
and Inuit Room the *Kim
Henry - Gnaajwi
Biidaabiniikwe (Beautiful
Morning Woman)
Owaanzhgan – "The Den"*
- Moved by Jack Fletcher, seconded by Dave Douglas,
"That the Board approve the request from Great Lakes Secondary School
to name the First Nation, Métis and Inuit Room the *Kim Henry - Gnaajwi
Biidaabiniikwe (Beautiful Morning Woman) Owaanzhgan – "The Den"*."
- CARRIED.
- Special Education
Advisory Committee
Report
Report B-18-19
- Trustee Fletcher reported on the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) meeting that was held on January 18, 2018 at Wallaceburg District Secondary School. Elections were held for the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of SEAC. As per the LKDSB Procedural By-laws, one of the positions is required to be a Trustee. Rose Gallaway was re-elected to the position of Chair and Trustee Fletcher was re-elected to the position of Vice-Chair. Trustee Fletcher commented on the presentation made to SEAC members on how coding is used to enhance educational opportunities for Special Education Students. Members of SEAC were given an opportunity to work with robots 'dot' and 'dash' to experience what students are doing in the classrooms. SEAC Members also heard a presentation on how the LKDSB English Language Learners (ELL) Team supports LKDSB students. The LKDSB International Education Program is attracting many new students and this has a direct impact on the need for ELL support. The October 31, 2017 exceptional pupil data, by school and by exceptionality, were shared with the members of SEAC. The SEAC association representatives provided updates.

Elementary Teacher/
Board Communications
Committee Report
Report B-18-20

Vice-Chair McKinlay reported on the Elementary Teacher/Board Communications Committee meeting held on January 23, 2018. Members discussed the LKDSB regulations on flags, Senior Administration protocol around attending funerals, report card expectations for teachers on leave and returning from leave and mid-year hires, the implementation of the cashless system and OSR movement.

Ontario Public School
Boards' Association
(OPSBA) Report

Trustee McGregor reported on the OPSBA's Public Education Symposium held in Toronto from January 25 to 27, 2018. He reported on the Equity and Human Rights session. School boards were encouraged to consider conducting a student census to gather data to address issues hindering student achievement. The Ministry referred to it as identify based research. The Toronto District School Board has conducted a census in the past. Students self identify by race, ethnicity, gender, etc. He commented on the Truth and Reconciliation in Inclusive Schools Climates session. The focus of the session was on building an inclusive school climate, reaching out to non-traditional students and providing more pathways for success. He shared that one of the sessions dealt with the release of an educational module – *A Journey Towards Truth and Reconciliation, First Nation, Métis and Inuit Trustee Professional Learning Module*. He encouraged everyone to view it and suggested that the module could be shared as a future presentation at a Board Meeting. He commented on the message from the new Minister of Education and the Collective Bargaining session noting that contracts are up for renewal as of August 31, 2019. He shared information from the Election Readiness session. The nominations for trustee candidates are open from May 1 to July 27, 2018. Election day is October 22, 2018. The trustee term of office will start on December 1 in 2018 but in 2022 the start date will be moved to November 15. He advised that school boards will be receiving information on the need to create a policy on the use of board resources during trustee campaigns and one on when an automatic recount would occur. He referred to the changes to the Municipal Conflict Act. He commented that the suggestion was made for school boards to hold PA Days on election days to limit issues at schools.

Student Trustee Rogers reported on the session he attended on new styles of learning and how school boards can individualize learning. He commented on the results of the Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey and noted that students are starting to use drugs and alcohol at a later date. He commented on Mental Health and Well-being and shared that he would like to see better implementation of well-being committees in schools, especially at the secondary level. Trustee Douglas attended the conference as well.

Trustee Fletcher commented that for the next election, there will be electronic voting in Sarnia, noting that there may not be as many school polling stations as in the past. Director Costello commented that holding a PA Day on election day is an interesting concept that could be considered for future elections.

Administration of Naloxone
in Schools

Superintendent Girardi updated Trustees on the plans to place Naloxone kits in LKDSB schools. He shared information on steps taken by other school boards. The LKDSB plan has been developed with the local health units to place kits in each secondary school during the first few weeks of February 2018. Training sessions are being offered for Secondary Administrators, Office Supervisors and Supply Administrators. Police personnel from Sarnia, Chatham and the OPP are attending the training sessions to provide input. He advised that the public health units are offering training and kits to the general public as well. He explained that the administration of Naloxone does not replace the need for

medical assistance but it allows time for the EMS personnel to arrive. It is a temporary step. Superintendent Girardi advised that he has discussed the implementation plan with the Community Threat Assessment group.

Student Trustee Rogers stated that he had received training from the public health unit and advised that school health nurses will be offering the training in schools to students. Superintendent Girardi confirmed that training for students would be provided at the school level by the school health nurses as part of their plan to provide information to students.

Superintendent Girardi confirmed that he has had discussions with the health units about expanding the program to elementary schools. The plan is to roll out the training and kits to secondary schools, assess the process and develop a plan for elementary schools. They expect the training and kits to be in place for elementary schools at the latest by September 2018.

New Business

Superintendent McKay informed Trustees that the four LKDSB Capital Priority Grants submitted in September 2017 have been approved by the Ministry of Education. The Kindergarten to Grade 12 school in Forest was awarded \$27.37M which includes a child care community hub piece. He outlined the next steps in the process which include procuring an architect through the issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) and meeting with the representatives from the Municipality of Lambton Shores regarding available land. Superintendent McKay advised that the Tecumseh Public School capital project was awarded \$2.6M, which includes \$800,000 for an addition for Full Day Kindergarten rooms. He commented that the price tag for this project may increase to \$3.5M due to other factors. The LKDSB is also receiving \$1.6M for child care spaces at Indian Creek Road Public School. Superintendent McKay explained the need to remove an existing portapac at the school in order to build the new day care rooms onto a permanent structure. Administration is requesting permission from the Ministry to use \$800,000 of LKDSB funds to replace the portapac with a permanent classroom. Superintendent McKay reported that the LKDSB also received \$264,000 to renovate 10-day care places at Wheatley Area Public School.

Superintendent McKay updated Trustees on the status of the construction at the new site for Great Lakes Secondary School (GLSS). Construction of the auditorium addition is progressing as well as the renovations inside the building. The project remains on track for September 2018. He advised that the Wyoming project is expected to be completed around the beginning of March 2018 and it looks like a new school. Chair Hudie advised that she attended the Ministry's media event in London on January 25, 2018 where the funding announcements were made. Chair Hudie thanked the Forest community and the First Nation partners for their ongoing support for the project as well as Trustees, Director Costello and Superintendents McKay and Girardi for the hours spent on the Forest project.

Trustee Questions

In response to Student Trustee Rogers's question on the Board's opinion on de-streaming of Grade 9 and 10 courses, Director Costello referenced the Toronto District School Board's (TDSB) pilot project in 16 schools that are offering only academic courses for Grade 9 English and Mathematics. TDSB data has shown that black students and students from low socioeconomic areas are over represented in applied level courses. TDSB administrators feel that this is posing a systemic barrier for students and is an equity issue. The TDSB expects to have data to review this spring from semester 1 and they are considering expanding the pilot. He noted that the LKDSB offered de-streamed classes,

- called transition years, a few years ago. This Ministry project lasted four years. He advised that for September 2018, GLSS is planning to pilot de-streamed Grade 9 Geography and French courses. Superintendent Sherman commented on the equity aspect with the focus on uniformly high standards for all students. Data will be collected and analyzed.
- Notice of Motion Trustee Douglas served Notice of Motion:
"That the Board draft a policy on well-being committees in all secondary schools."
- Announcements The next Regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 7:00 p.m. at the Chatham Education Centre.

Trustee Fletcher announced that at a recent fund raising event for the Noelle's Gift Fund, approximately \$250,000 was raised.

Trustee McGregor advised that the OPSBA Western Region Meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2018 in Bluewater.
- Adjournment There being no further business, Chair Hudie declared the meeting adjourned
7:56 p.m. at 7:56 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Director of Education and Secretary of the Board