



**THE MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA**

BOARD ROOM – EDUCATION CENTRE

May 23, 2017

6:20 – 7:05 p.m. (Private Session)

7:05 – 10:00 p.m. (Public Session)

ATTENDANCE:

Board: Jennifer Ajandi, Sue Barnett, Helga Campbell, Lora Campbell, Diane Chase, Linda Crouch, Jonathan Fast, Cheryl Keddy Scott, Kevin Maves (Vice Chair), Dale Robinson (Chair), Dave Schaubel

Student Trustees: Samir Alazzam and Karling Luciani

Officials: Warren Hoshizaki (Director of Education), Lora Courtois, John Dickson, Wesley Hahn, Jennifer Feren, Paula MacKinnon, Helen McGregor, Kelly Pisek, Marian Reimer Friesen, JoAnna Roberto, Michael St. John, Stacy Veld, Kim Yielding, Karen Bellamy, Cheryl Morgan

Recording Secretary: Christina Dero

Technical Support: Linda Gonshior

A. COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

1. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

Chair Robinson opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory of the Haudenosaunee people.

2. Call to Order and Noting of Members Absent

Chair Robinson called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 7:05 p.m.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD – continued

Call to Order and Noting of Members Absent

Chair Robinson welcomed guests who were in the gallery.

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (PRIVATE SESSION)

**Moved by Diane Chase
Seconded by Jonathan Fast**

“That the Board do now enter Committee of the Whole (Private Session).”

CARRIED

**Moved by Sue Barnett
Seconded by Lora Campbell**

“That the Board return to open meeting.”

CARRIED

The Board returned to open meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**Moved by Cheryl Keddy Scott
Seconded by Jonathan Fast**

“That the Board return to Committee of the Whole”

CARRIED

**Moved by Sue Barnett
Seconded by Dave Schaubel**

“That the Board do now return to open meeting.”

CARRIED

The Board returned to open meeting at 9:25 p.m.

C. SINGING OF “O CANADA”

The Board stood as “O Canada” was performed by the Connaught Public School choir, via video.

D. REFLECTIVE READING

Student Trustee Alazzam opened the meeting with a reflective reading.

E. BUSINESS OF THE BOARD

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Jonathan Fast
Seconded by Jennifer Ajandi

“That the Agenda be adopted.”

CARRIED

2. Approval of Board Minutes

Moved by Lora Campbell
Seconded by Linda Crouch

“That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the District School Board of Niagara dated April 25, 2017 be confirmed as submitted.”

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. Ratification of Business Conducted in Committee of the Whole (Private Session)

This item was deferred until the business in the Committee of the Whole was completed.

Moved by Sue Barnett
Seconded by Cheryl Keddy Scott

“That the business transacted in Committee of the Whole be now ratified by the Board.”

CARRIED

F. EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS

1. Director’s Report and Recognition

Update from Provincial, Regional and Local Perspective:

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued**a) Recognition of Neven Basara, Andrew Bonomo, Austin Law, Aidan McAllister and Sarah Ricci, Students, A.N. Myer Secondary School**

Director Hoshizaki recognized Neven Basara, Andrew Bonomo, Austin Law, Aidan McAllister and Sarah Ricci for being hardworking, conscientious leaders who always go the extra mile for their school.

Students in the Specialized School to Community (SSTC) department at A.N. Myer Secondary School have taken on the task of keeping the school running like a well-oiled machine. There are five teams that take care of morning coffee, run the recycling program, clean school uniforms, deliver books, resources, and supplies to classrooms, and keep the school's gardens manicured. These five teams are led by five amazing student leaders.

Aidan McAllister, the Myer barista, delivers impeccable customer service to the "Coffee Cart" clientele. He makes the rounds every morning, delivering a perfect cup of coffee with a smile.

Austin Law keeps the recycling crew moving and has won awards for his environmentally conscious actions. Austin single handedly accumulated the second largest collection of discarded pop cans from within the school property.

Myer sports teams are grateful for the work of Neven Basara, who keeps their team uniforms fresh, clean and ready for the next game.

It takes a bit of muscle to deliver the many boxes and packages that arrive at a busy school like Myer, and teachers depend on timely deliveries to keep their programs running smoothly. Andrew Bonomo gets the job done and there is never a job too big for him.

The SSTC landscaping crew gets top marks for their work keeping Myer's award winning gardens in shape. Thanks to Sarah Ricci's horticulture skills, the Myer family enjoys the beautifully maintained courtyards and manicured gardens.

Congratulations to the students for the leadership they exhibit at A.N. Myer Secondary School every day throughout the school year.

Director Hoshizaki presented Neven Basara, Andrew Bonomo, Austin Law, Aidan McAllister and Sarah Ricci with a token of the Board's appreciation for their extraordinary contributions.

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued**b) Recognition of Michael Fitzgerald, Teacher at Eastdale Secondary School**

Director Hoshizaki recognized Michael Fitzgerald for his personal determination and his passion for working with students with disabilities.

Michael Fitzgerald has been the "backbone" of the Specialized School to Community (SSTC) program at Eastdale Secondary School for 14 years. He has been the driving force behind the annual DSBN, Specialized School to Community Beach Volleyball Tournament, which is an opportunity for secondary students with disabilities and special needs to come together and experience teamwork, sportsmanship, and have fun. Michael, a sports enthusiast, wanted to give his students an opportunity to be on a team, play against other schools, and be part of a larger community. Michael believes in each of his students, sees their strengths, not disabilities, and is an exemplary teacher.

Michael Fitzgerald has always been committed to supporting students with special learning needs and giving them extracurricular opportunities. At Governor Simcoe Secondary School Michael coached the Jr. Boys' basketball team. At the former Kernahan Park Secondary School, Michael took courses to be the School Librarian. He was committed to the students of Kernahan Park and recognized their potential so he created reading programs that focused on interests and made the sports page come alive – getting reluctant readers to read!

Michael's colleagues describe him as a quiet leader, never seeking attention or applause. They look to Mike for advice and count on him in tough situations. Michael's mild and calming manner helps students regulate and return to learning. When he walks into the room, students feel supported and cared for.

Director Hoshizaki presented Michael Fitzgerald with a token of the Board's appreciation for his extraordinary contributions.

c) Recognition of Andrea Grieve and Lisa Nazar, Administrators, DSBN Academy

Director Hoshizaki recognized Andrea Grieve and Lisa Nazar for their outstanding leadership and positive impact on students

Leadership is not a position. It is an action, an example. It is something that Andrea Grieve lives on a daily basis. During the school's track and field meet, Andrea went out into the pouring rain to run the last 100 metres with students struggling to finish. She cheered them on, encouraged them, and even held their hand to help guide them to the finish line.

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued**Recognition of Andrea Grieve and Lisa Nazar, Administrators, DSBN Academy**

Students are often waiting in the office area to see Mrs. Grieve. They value her support, her guidance and she helps them build their capacity and resilience when faced with obstacles. She is there for them with honest advice that never under estimates their ability and potential.

Elementary teachers at the Academy say that Andrea is an “energetic, reflective, and passionate leader.” She is always ready to listen to questions and provide insightful thoughts. Teachers appreciate that Andrea is receptive to hearing their needs, and ready to do what is necessary to provide her teachers with the resources they need to help their students become successful.

Lisa Nazar has been with the Academy from the beginning. She was part of the design team that refined the concept for what became the Academy, and she was the lead creator of the Academy’s high school program.

In supporting her nomination, one student wrote that Mrs. Nazar “inspired me to be better than I ever thought I could be. She has been a huge part of how I have grown.” Others said, “she was the first person with authority who took me seriously. She said she cared about my future, and proved it over the years. I don’t know what I would do without her.”

This optimistic and positive leadership style has made an impact on her staff as well. One staff member said that Lisa “gives me hope when I think I’ve lost it.” Lisa has an extremely strong sense of vision and purpose that inspires those around her. Another teacher said Lisa has demonstrated that “you can have high expectations for academics, but still meet the needs of students that struggle with personal issues.”

Director Hoshizaki presented Andrea Grieve and Lisa Nazar with a token of the Board’s appreciation for their extraordinary contributions.

d) Director’s Update to Trustees**i. In the Soil Arts Festival**

A.N. Myer Secondary School’s Drama Department recently contributed to the In the Soil Arts Festival. The three day festival has been described as ‘an explosion of creativity’ that includes music, media, theatre, dance, installations and one-time, out-of-the-box performance experiences.

Students and staff were excited to showcase the talents of their theatre troupe, Myer’s Masked Murauders. “Gnaw”, a creative retelling of Hansel and Gretel, was touted as being a highlight of the festival’s opening night ~

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued**In the Soil Arts Festival**

“Absolutely fantastic storyline! Breathtaking and intense. One of my top favourite youth theatre productions.” – Audience Member

Congratulations to A.N. Myer staff and students for their contributions to the festival!

ii. Earth Week Challenge

Over 24 DSBN schools with over 300 students from grades 4-8 participated in the April Earth Week Challenge at the Walker Living Campus at Woodend. The Challenge ran for four days prior to Earth Day on April 22, 2017.

A short video was shown to those in attendance.

Cogeco’s segment featuring DSBN staff at students can be found at <https://youtu.be/MIOIFaA5tes>

iii. Drone Racing at E.L. Crossley Secondary School

E.L. Crossley Secondary School has started the first provincial STEM-based secondary school drone racing club.

Sharon Keller, the program leader for science at the school, was introduced to drone racing last July. She noticed Abbey Solomon, a member of Niagara FPV squad, flying around the front yard of the school.

Sharon Keller and members of the Niagara FPV Squad help students build the drones, which coincides with the fundamentals of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Once students have finished building the drones, they hope to compete and take part in race competitions.

iv. Teacher Award

Congratulations to Fern Lackenbauer from Eden High School who received an OBEA Award of Merit at the spring conference in Toronto recently. This award is given to teachers that promote and increase awareness of Business Studies.

Congratulations to Fern and to her dedication to students and business studies!

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued**v. DSBN Skills Team**

The DSBN Skills Team traveled to Toronto on May 1, 2017 to take on the province at the Skills Canada Ontario Provincial Competition. The team of 44 teachers and students represented over 20 different challenges ranging from Architectural Technology and Design, Floristry, Auto Service Technology, and Job Skill Demonstration to name a few.

The students were well prepared for the event and the hard work paid off with all DSBN competitors placing in the top 10 in their respective challenges. This is a major accomplishment for any board at a Provincial Level.

All competing students and their accompanying teachers represented the DSBN with the highest level of professionalism and DSBN is very proud of their achievements on the Provincial Stage.

vi. Silver Birch and Red Maple Student Conferences

The Silver Birch® and Red Maple™ Student Conferences are the culminating events for students in grade 5 and 6 (Silver Birch®) and grade 7 and 8 (Red Maple™) who have participated in the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading® programs within their schools. These system-wide celebrations provide our dedicated readers and book club members with the opportunity to connect with their peers and educators from across the DSBN who have a shared passion for literacy. Students interact with Canadian authors and participate in a variety of hands-on book-related workshops and activities to develop an appreciation of Canadian literature and fuel their love of reading and writing.

On May 5, 2017, more than 1,000 students from 54 elementary schools gathered together at the Scotiabank Convention Centre to participate in a day dedicated to celebrating their reading accomplishments. Sixty unique book-related workshops were offered to students. The day also included keynote addresses, small group presentations and book signings from Canadian authors, Helaine Becker, Kira Vermond, Richard Scrimger and Kevin Sylvester. Book sales, a video chat booth led by Sir Winston Churchill students and the Groove EDGEducation movement session were other highlights of the day.

#dsbnsilverbirch and #dsbnredmaple provides a snapshot of the excitement of this event.

vii. Indigenous Days at Governor Simcoe Secondary School

Recently, Governor Simcoe Secondary School, led by their Students For Equality Group (SFE), held a Chanie Wenjack Walk followed by Indigenous workshops. The Chanie Wenjack Walk was a 1.8 km walk around the Governor Simcoe Community.

EDUCATIONAL SHOWCASING OR PRESENTATIONS – continued

The event started with an official opening from the Fort Erie Native Friendship Centre Men’s Drum Group, which included a DSBN student. Over 400 elementary and secondary students from across DSBN participated in the walk.

Students participated in workshops that were run by DSBN’s Indigenous Advisor, DSBN’s Secondary Indigenous Support Teacher, DSBN staff, Community Members, students. Each workshop provided education on residential schools and their impact on Indigenous people – past and present. Through the workshops, students and teachers were able to gain a deeper understanding of Indigenous culture and traditions. The learning from each provided opportunity for reflection on how we can do our part on the Road to Reconciliation.

viii. White Pine Celebration of Literacy Student Conference

Over 140 secondary school students from across the DSBN took part in the White Pine Celebration of Literacy Conference on May 12, 2017.

A short highlight video was of the conference was shown.

ix. Music Monday

On May 1, 2017, over 350 students from across the DSBN came together at the Meridan Centre in St. Catharines to celebrate Music Monday.

Director Hoshizaki thanked those involved in organizing the event.

2. Educational Showcases**a) Band of Champions – E.I. McCulley Public School**

Superintendent Reimer Friesen introduced the showcase, which featured E.I. McCulley’s Band of Champions. Superintendent Reimer Friesen explained that for the past three years the staff and students have chosen a school wide theme. This year the theme is make your mark. Superintendent Reimer Friesen introduced the band members and teacher, Alex Ring.

Alex Ring introduced the nine band members from grades 4 – 8 who collaborate and meet several times a week.

Students performed “How Far I’ll Go” from the Moana soundtrack and “Stolen Dance” by Milky Chance.

Chair Robinson thanked students for their presentation, and parents and staff for their time and effort supporting the young musicians.

G. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORTS**1. DSBN and Provincial Graduation Rate Report**

**Moved by Helga Campbell
Seconded by Diane Chase**

“That the DSBN and Provincial Graduation Report dated May 23, 2017 be received.”

Superintendent McGregor presented a verbal report of the DSBN and Provincial Graduation Rate Report. Superintendent McGregor noted that the rates are calculated by the Ministry of Education and are based on the tracking of students who entered Grade 9 in any school in Ontario in the 2011-2012 school year.

Superintendent McGregor added that the DSBN graduation rate for this student cohort is 85%, two percent higher than the previous year. Superintendent McGregor explained that 8% of these students are still attending a secondary school in Ontario.

Superintendent McGregor recognized DSBN staff for the implementation of a wide variety of strategies and programs that are leading to student improvement.

CARRIED

H. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

I. BOARD RECESS

There was no board recess.

J. OLD BUSINESS**1. ACCOUNTS**

**Moved by Kevin Maves
Seconded by Jonathan Fast**

“That the Summary of Accounts paid in Batch Numbers 1909 to 1923, for the month of April 2017 totalling \$ 19,325,159.46 be received.”

CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS – continued**2. REPORT OF THE PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE**

**Moved by Helga Campbell
Seconded by Lora Campbell**

“That the report of the Parent Involvement Committee dated May 3, 2017 be received.”

CARRIED

Trustee Lora Campbell provided an overview of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting. Feedback was finalized for the Policy Committee regarding DSBN policies that will be reviewed from April 10 – June 7, 2017 and discussions took place about the PIC Conference, which will take place on November 1, 2017.

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERVISED ALTERNATIVE LEARNING COMMITTEE

**Moved by Lora Campbell
Seconded by Sue Barnett**

“That the report of the Supervised Alternative Learning Committee dated May 3, 2017 be received.”

CARRIED

Trustee Lora Campbell reported that 12 cases were reviewed and approved by the Supervised Alternative Learning Committee during the May 3, 2017 meeting.

4. REPORT OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**Moved by Jennifer Ajandi
Seconded by Cheryl Keddy Scott**

“That the report of the Special Education Advisory Committee dated May 11, 2017 be received.”

CARRIED

Chair Robinson reported that the Special Education Advisory Committee received a presentation from Courtney Moody, DSBN Psycho-Education Consultant, regarding psychological assessments, as well as a review of the Special Education Report from DSBN Student Achievement Leader, Nikki Train.

In response to a question from a Trustee, Superintendent Dickson explained that both Courtney Moody and Lisa Linders are qualified to perform psycho educational assessments, however if demand is high, the service is contracted out.

OLD BUSINESS – continued

In response to a question from a Trustee, Superintendent Dickson explained that currently DSBN does not have a waiting list for psycho educational assessments, however the process takes a fair amount of time.

5. REPORT OF THE STUDENT TRUSTEE SENATE

**Moved by Karling Luciani
Seconded by Samir Alazzam**

“That the report of the Student Trustee Senate dated May 16, 2017 be received.”

CARRIED

Student Trustee Luciani reported that the Student Trustee Senate reflected on their year as a senate and shared information about upcoming events at DSBN schools. Discussions also took place around the Show Your Colours Day.

Student Trustee Luciani introduced Amal Qayum, the Westlane Secondary School student who was the successful candidate for the 2017- 2019 term, and described her school and community involvement.

Student Trustee Alazzam introduced Emily Hilborn, the Stamford Collegiate Secondary School student, who was the successful candidate for the 2017-18 term and described her school and community involvement.

Chair Robinson welcomed Amal and Emily, and thanked Student Trustees Luciani and Alazzam for their input and support during the school year.

6. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

**Moved by Kevin Maves
Seconded by Jonathan Fast**

“That the report of the Finance Committee dated May 23, 2017 be received.”

CARRIED

Trustees received a handout of the Finance Committee meeting minutes.

Vice Chair Maves provided an overview of the contracts that were awarded during the Finance Committee meeting, and added that the committee heard presentations from Superintendent Veld and Chief Financial Officer Rick Weirzak regarding the Multi-Year Capital Plan, and the 2017/18 Revenue Budget. Revisions were also made to DSBN Board Policy B-02 Mileage Reimbursement Rate.

The following motions were passed by the committee:

OLD BUSINESS – continued**REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

“That staff be directed to terminate the contract with Lenovo and enter into a contract with Acer, with Northern Micro as the supplier, for the purchase of Chromebook classroom technology, with an expiry date of October 1, 2019, and the option, at the Board’s discretion, to extend the contract for two additional one-year periods.”

“That the low bid received from T.A.T. Construction, in the amount of \$954,606 (plus HST), be accepted and a contract awarded for accessibility improvements and building upgrades at Central Public School.”

“That the low bid received from STF Construction, in the amount of \$2,148,000 (plus HST) be accepted and a contract awarded for accessibility improvements and building upgrades at Dalewood Public School.”

“That the low bid received from King Contractors, in the amount of \$963,000 (plus HST) be accepted and a contract awarded for accessibility improvements at Glynn A. Green Public School.”

“That the low bid received from Serianni Construction, in the amount of \$5,810,000 (plus HST), be accepted and a contract awarded for the mechanical upgrades at Eden High School.”

“That the low bid received from Bromac Construction, in the amount of \$6,407,000 (plus HST), be accepted and a contract awarded for the mechanical and electrical upgrades at Stamford Collegiate.”

“That the Multi-Year Capital Plan be received and that staff be authorized to proceed with all identified projects up to and including the 2017-18 year, subject to confirmation of necessary Ministry of Education capital funding approvals.”

“That the 2017-18 Preliminary Revenue Budget be received.”

“That, on an annual basis, approximately \$4,000,000 of the General Operating Accumulated Surplus continue to be set aside to cover unexpected or unbudgeted expenditures which may arise during a particular year or to provide limited funding for other approved one-time expenditures and that 20% of the remaining balance in the General Operating Accumulated Surplus, as reflected in the annual financial statements, be transferred to revenue in the budget for the year following the year in which the financial statements have been completed.”

“That Borrowing Resolution 2017-02, authorizing the Board to borrow up to \$14,803,130 for the short-term financing of Ministry funded capital projects, pursuant to the provisions of section 243(1) of the Education Act, be approved.”

“That Board Policy B-02 *Mileage Reimbursement Rate* be approved as amended and adopted.”

K. QUESTIONS ASKED OF AND BY BOARD MEMBERS

There were no questions asked of or by Board members.

L. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

M. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**1. Staff Reports**

There were no staff reports.

2. Trustee Information Session

There was no Trustee information session.

3. Correspondence and Communication**a) Correspondence from Thames Valley District School Board**

Correspondence from Thames Valley District School Board can be found in the Board package.

b) Correspondence from Thames Valley District School Board

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c) Correspondence from The Township of West Lincoln

Correspondence from The Township of West Lincoln can be found in the Board package.

d) Correspondence from The Town of Pelham

Correspondence from the Town of Pelham can be found in the Board package.

e) Correspondence from The City of Port Colborne

Correspondence from The City of Port Colborne can be found in the Board package.

4. Trustee Communications and School Liaison

- a) Trustee Barnett reported that the Education Foundation of Niagara recently held a fundraiser at DSBN's CONNECT Conference where over \$1,000 was raised for bursaries for DSBN students.

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS – continued

- b) Trustee Barnett reported attending Red Maple/Silver Birch Conference.
- c) Trustee Barnett reported attending Welland Centennial Secondary School's LBBTQ Healthy Living Conference, where over 200 students from DSBN and Niagara Catholic were in attendance.
- d) Trustee Barnett reported attending Music Monday at the Meridan Centre in St. Catharines.
- e) Trustee Barnett reported that the Rotary Club of Welland has been raising funds for DSBN schools in Welland. The Rotary Club of Welland will now be supporting a total of 6 DSBN schools, including recently added Ross and Glendale Public Schools.
- f) Trustee Barnett reported attending Diamond Trail Public School's Greening Partnership with the City of Welland. A dedicated group of students will tend to the newly planted trees and shrubs over the summer months.
- g) Trustee Barnett provided a reminder of the upcoming EFN Golf Tournament on May 26, 2017.
- h) Trustee Helga Campbell reported attending a Trivia Fundraiser at Martha Cullimore Public School.
- i) Trustee Helga Campbell reported that she and Stamford Collegiate Secondary School Principal Ann Gilmore recently made a presentation at Niagara Falls City Council.
- j) Trustee Helga Campbell reported Stamford Collegiate Secondary School celebrates 160 years on June 10, 2017.
- k) Trustee Helga Campbell reported that Westlane Secondary School's "Dig It" program is hosting a plant sale.
- l) Trustee Helga Campbell reported that Stamford Collegiate Secondary School and Westlane Secondary School recently performed "We Will Rock You", at Seneca Queen in Niagara Falls.
- m) Trustee Helga Campbell reported that A.N. Myer's 60th Anniversary Reunion will take place on September 22 & 23, 2017, and will include football games, a reception, formal presentations, announcements about scholarships, and a gathering at Fireman's Park.
- n) Trustee Schaubel reported that the Fire and Ice fundraiser in support of the Performing Arts Theatre at Greater Fort Erie Secondary School was a huge success.
- o) Chair Robinson reported that Richmond Street Public School recently held a successful playground fundraiser.

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS – continued**Trustee Communications and School Liaison**

Information on events and news happening within the Board can be found at www.dsbns.org and/or on the schools' websites.

5. Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) Report

- a) **Appointment of the OPSBA director and alternate director for the 2017-2018 term and voting delegate and alternate voting delegate for the annual general meeting and regional council meetings for the 2017-2018 term.**

Trustee Chase reminded Trustees that she recently sent an email regarding several items slated for consideration at the OPSBA Annual General Meeting, and requested direction on how Trustees would like her to vote on the proposed policy amendments. Trustees indicated by show of hand that they were in favour of the policy amendments.

Trustee Chase requested direction from Trustees on how they would like her to vote for upcoming OPSBA elections and several Trustees offered suggestions.

Trustee Chase provided a reminder of the upcoming OPSBA Annual General Meeting on June 8 – 11, 2017, and added that registration is still open.

**Moved by Lora Campbell
Seconded by Sue Barnett**

“That Diane Chase be appointed to serve as OPSBA Director for the 2017-2018 term and to hold the position of Voting Delegate for the annual general meeting and regional council meetings for the 2017-2018 term; and

That Jennifer Ajandi be appointed to serve as OPSBA Alternate Director for the 2017-2018 term and to hold the position of Alternate Voting Delegate for the annual general meeting and regional council meetings for the 2017-2018 term.”

CARRIED

Information published by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association is available at www.opsba.org.

6. Future Meetings

The calendar of June 2017 meetings was provided.

Add: Finance Committee meeting on June 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
Audit Committee meeting on June 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Student Trustee Alazzam left the Board room at 8:33 p.m.

The Board took a short recess and then returned to Committee of the Whole (Private Session) at 8:50 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:25 p.m.

N. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by Dave Schaubel
Seconded by Linda Crouch**

“That this meeting of the District School Board of Niagara be now adjourned.”

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

DALE ROBINSON, Chair

WARREN HOSHIZAKI, Director of Education
and Secretary