

**Special Meeting of the Halton District School Board
Wednesday, December 10, 2008**

Present: K. Bateman-Olmstead, D. Danielli, M.E. Dilly, P. Ellis, J. Hames, J. Hlusko, B. Jones,
G. Ockenden, P. Russell, G. Tuck Kutarna, D. Vrooman, N. Dogra, L. McVey

Regrets:

Agenda Item 1

The Director called the Public Session meeting to order at 5:44 p.m., welcoming trustees and guests.

Agenda Item 2

The Board called Public Session to order at 7:22 p.m.

M08-0233 K. Bateman-Olmstead / J. Hlusko

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board move into Private Session.

Carried

Agenda Item 3

There was no business transacted from Private Session.

Agenda Item 4

M08-0234 P. Ellis / P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Halton District School Board, November 19, 2008, as distributed, noting the addition of “and discussion regarding phenom technology” under the SEAC report (Item 4.2).

Carried.

M08-0235 K. Bateman-Olmstead / G. Ockenden

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Halton District School Board, November 27, 2008, as distributed.

Carried.

M08-0236 P. Russell / K. Bateman-Olmstead

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board approve the minutes of the Meeting of the Halton District School Board, December 3, 2008, as distributed, noting the acclamation of D. Danielli to the position of *Vice-Chair* in Item 5.

Carried.

Agenda Item 5

The Chair welcomed delegates Novalea Jarvis and Laurel Best, who presented individual delegations relating to French Language Entry Points.

The Chair thanked both speakers, reiterating the decision regarding this issue would come before the Board on January 7, 2009.

Agenda Item 6

The Chair introduced R. Peden who highlighted the report, and responded to questions relating to Report 08157 re: French Language Entry Points.

The Chair called a brief recess at 8:35 p.m.

Agenda Item 7

The Chair introduced W. Joudrie who spoke to Report 08165, distributed this evening regarding the Board’s response to the Provincial Facilitator’s Report on PARC 14.

Trustees discussed the recommendations, and asked questions regarding process, timing, size of the new school construction, and other related items.

M08-0237 P. Ellis / M.E. Dilly

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board ask the Director to bring a report to the Board in January 2009, reviewing the findings of the facilitator, giving consideration to the report’s recommendations, and outlining steps to develop appropriate responses.

Carried Unanimously.

M08-0238 P. Ellis / K. Bateman-Olmstead

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board suspend implementation of motion M08-0147, pending further resolutions of the Board.

Carried Unanimously.

M08-0239 G. Ockenden / K. Bateman-Olmstead

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board construct an elementary school at capacity of no less than 500 in Southeast Oakville (Ward 3), in the area north of Cornwall known as Clearview, subject to the Minister of Education’s authorization.

Carried Unanimously.

M08-0240 D. Vrooman /P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board direct staff to develop a process, by January 2009, for Board consideration, to explore solutions and work from the Board’s goal of meeting the accommodation needs of students in Southeast Oakville; with the process to include timelines, representation and alternative accommodation options.

J. Hames indicated her desire to see Ministry input regarding the process, and that direction included in the motion. Hence, she brought forward the following addition as an amendment to the main motion.

P. Russell requested a recorded vote on the amendment only, adding the phrase “*with ministry input*” as indicated below:

M08-0240(a) J. Hames /P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board direct staff to develop a process, *with ministry input*, by January 2009, for Board consideration, to explore solutions and work from the Board’s goal of meeting the accommodation needs of students in Southeast Oakville; with the process to include timelines, representation and alternative accommodation options.

G. Ockenden	yes	K. Bateman-Olmstead	yes
P. Russell	yes	J. Hames	yes
J. Hlusko	yes	P. Ellis	yes
M.E. Dilly	yes	G. Tuck Kutarna	yes
D. Danielli	yes	D. Vrooman	no
		B. Jones	no

Carried.

N. Dogra	yes	L. McVey	yes
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Agenda Item 7 (cont'd)

Discussion continued on the amended motion with a friendly amendment to add the phrase “community consultation” to further define the process.

J. Hlusko suggested an additional amendment to reference accommodation *and program*, and the clarification of students *of Ward 3 Oakville*. Vote was held on the amendment only.

M08-0240(b) J. Hlusko / P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board direct staff to develop a community consultation process, with ministry input, by January 2009, for Board consideration, to explore solutions and work from the Board’s goal of meeting the accommodation *and program* needs of students *of Ward 3 Oakville*; with the process to include timelines, representation and alternative accommodation options.

Carried Unanimously.

With no further discussion, the vote on the amended motion was called:

M08-0240 D. Vrooman P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board direct staff to develop a community consultation process, with ministry input, by January 2009 for Board consideration, to explore solutions and work from the Board’s goal of meeting the accommodation and program needs of students of Ward 3 Oakville; with the process to include timelines, representation and alternative accommodation options.

Carried Unanimously.

Agenda Item 8

P. Russell commented on successful fundraising initiatives by the Salvation Army, supported by staff and colleagues within the Halton District School Board.

K. Bateman-Olmstead commented on the successful launch of Refresh Foods.

D. Vrooman spoke about the upcoming fundraising initiatives.

G. Tuck Kutarna spoke to the Provincial’s Poverty Reduction Strategy report, highlighting targets and initiatives. P. Russell echoed the efforts in this regard.

D. Danielli commented on diversity initiatives and a recent award presented to Suzanne Muir.

J. Hlusko left the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

M08-0241 M.E. Dilly / P. Russell

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board reconvene in Private Session at 9:47 pm.

Carried.

Agenda Item 9

The Board rose from Private Session at 10:17 p.m. There were no items for ratification.

M08-0242 K. Bateman-Olmstead / M.E. Dilly

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board adjourn at 10:18 p.m.

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Recorder

.....Chair