




In Motion

Highlights from regular meetings of the Halton District School Board

June/July 2010

Trustees approve budget for 2010-11 school year

At the July 7, 2010 meeting of the Halton District School Board, trustees approved an operating budget for the 2010-11 school year in the amount of \$490,007,308.


Also included in that approval, but as a separate motion, was an allocation of \$386,000 from the 2010-11 contingency budget to support the hiring of an additional 1.5 Secondary Special Education Resource Teachers, and 3.0 elementary Special Education Resource Teachers. 

Tender accepted for new high school in Milton


At the July 7, 2010 meeting of the Halton District School Board, Trustees accepted the tender from Percon Construction for the construction of the new Milton area secondary school in “secondary review area” (SRA) 105.

The motion reads:

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board accept the tender from Percon Construction in the amount of \$26,451,920 as contained in Tender No. T10-15 for the construction of SRA105, a high school in Milton, Ontario.

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board approve a budget of \$30,393,687 for the construction of a Milton High School and that this project be financed by EDC (Education Development Charge Reserve) for a total of \$1,672,600 POD (Proceeds of Disposition) for a total of \$2,000,000 which is currently pending Ministry approval, and \$26,721,087 from NPP (New Pupil Places) as approved by the Ministry through the issuance of long-term debt.. 


Gary Allan High School to utilize Halton Hills site

As part of the budget process, Trustees approved a motion to “reopen” Howard Wigglesworth school in Halton Hills so the site can be used to support Gary Allan High School programs. 

Tender accepted for New Central Public School in Oakville

At the June 2, 2010 meeting, Trustees approved the tender and a budget for the construction of an addition to New Central Public School in Oakville. The motion reads:


Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board accept the tender from PM Contracting in the amount of \$1,709,000 (excluding PST, GST and HST if applicable), as contained in Tender No. T10-32 for the addition to New Central Public School in Oakville, Ontario; and

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board approve a budget of \$2,100,000 for the construction of the addition, and that this project is financed by POD (Proceeds of Disposition) as approved by the Ministry. 

Upcoming Meetings

Board meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings begin at 7 p.m.

Regular Board Meetings – The first scheduled meeting for the new school year will be held on August 25, 2010. The regular schedule will resume with September meetings on Wednesday, September 1, and 15.


For more information, check www.hdsb.ca
All meetings are open to the public, and are held at the JW Singleton Education Centre, 2050 Guelph Line, Burlington. 

Orchard elementary school changes (Burlington)

At the June 16, 2010 meeting, Halton District School Board Trustees approved motions dealing with the new elementary school to open in the Orchard community of Burlington. Those motions read:

Be it resolved that the Halton District School Board adjust the boundaries for the elementary schools in ERA 108 as outlined in Report 10100.

Be it resolved that the new elementary school in ERA 108 open as a dual track school: English Track (JK-7), French Immersion Track (1-7).

Be it resolved that SK students redirected to Orchard Park Elementary School in 2011 be allowed to enroll in the Orchard Park JK program in September 2010. 

Policies approved at June/July Board meetings


Trustees with the Halton District School Board have approved a number of policies during their recent meetings. Policies can be found on the Halton District School Board website either by searching for a keyword under the “Policies” option, or by visiting the “Boardroom & Trustees” page, and linking to policies from that page.

Recently approved policies include:

- Equity and Inclusive Education
- First Nations, Metis, Inuit Voluntary Self Identification
- Safe Schools – including:
Bullying Prevention and Intervention, and Behaviour, Discipline and School Safety.

Upcoming dates

The 2010-11 school year begins for students on Tuesday, September 7. Welcome back everyone!

A professional development day for elementary and secondary will be held on Friday, October 8. Schools and Halton District School Board offices will be closed for Thanksgiving (holiday) on Monday, October 11. 

New Director appointed to Halton District School Board

At a special Board meeting on July 14, 2010, Halton District School Board trustees passed a motion to seek approval from the Minister of Education to appoint David Euale as Director of Education. Euale, currently Director of the Ministry of Education’s Student Success, and Learning to 18 Implementation, Training and Evaluation Branch, will join the Halton District School Board this September.

“We’re very pleased to welcome David to Halton,” says Bruce Jones, Chair of the Halton District School Board. “David’s leadership, integrity and student-centered focus is a great fit for Halton. We look forward to continuing our focus on our commitment to every student under David’s direction.”

Prior to accepting his position in the Ministry of Education, David was a leader in the Upper Grand District School Board providing service to Wellington and Dufferin counties. During the past eleven years with Upper Grand, David was a Superintendent of Education with responsibilities for elementary and secondary schools, Continuing Education and Information Technology. David also served as principal in two Upper Grand secondary schools. In all roles David is known as a leader who is dedicated to the success of all students.

Originally from Sault Ste. Marie, David moved to Southern Ontario for his university education and graduated from the University of Waterloo (B. Math) and the University of Toronto (B. Ed and M. Ed).

Said Jones, “We were impressed with David’s credentials and experience, as well as his personal and professional reputation. This will serve Halton well as we strive to reach current goals and set new ones in our continued efforts to support student learning.”

“I look forward to joining the Halton District School Board team, says Euale. “The Board is well known for its commitment to student learning, achievement and well-being, as well as its excellent programs and services. I welcome the opportunity to work with Halton’s dedicated staff and community to further these goals, and develop new initiatives to support public education in Halton.”

The Halton District School Board is a publicly funded English school board serving approximately 54,000 students in the municipalities of Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. The Board has an annual budget of more than \$490 million and employs more than 6,000 staff. 