

Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee Minutes November 6, 2023

Members present: K. Dostaler, T. Elliott, S. Lewis, S. Maracle, K. Niemi, E. Parsons, R. Prinzen,

C. Vance (Student Trustee)

Regrets: R. Speck

Resources: S. Binder, K. Donnell,

Minutes: E. Power, Executive Assistant, Curriculum Services

1. Call to Order

Chair Lewis called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

Trustee Parsons offered the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Roll Call

Chair Lewis requested a roll call of committee members.

4. Approval of agenda

Moved: S. Maracle Seconded: R. Prinzen

That the agenda for the November 6, 2023 Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None declared

6. Approval of Minutes from October 2, 2023 Meeting

Moved: R. Prinzen Seconded: S. Maracle

That the minutes of the October 2, 2023 Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

7. Delegations

None.

8. Reports from Staff:

(a) Superintendent Update

i. Curriculum Revisions and Implementation, K-12

Superintendent Elliott referred to report 8(a)i, dated November 6, 2023. Clarification and discussion took place regarding:

- the Grade 1-8 Social Studies curriculum; and,
- tracking success rates of the new curriculum.

ii. Student Mental Health

(a) Grade 7 and 8 MH Module Roll Out

Superintendent Dostaler referred to report 8(a)ii(a), dated November 6, 2023. Clarification and discussion took place regarding:

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• The date of full implementation of the mental health literacy modules noting there will be a collaboration between Student Services, Curriculum Services (from a De-streaming perspective), and Innovation and Inclusion Services (from an SHSM perspective).

(b) OPSBA Social Media

Trustee Robertson referred to presentation 8(a)ii(b), dated November 6, 2023. Clarification and discussion took place regarding:

 The social media mass tort involving META (Facebook and Instagram), Snap, Inc., and TikTok, being brought forth by Neinstein LLP.

Chair Lewis asked for a mover and seconder for the recommendation being brought forward for approval by the Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee.

Recommendation:

Mover: R. Prinzen Seconder: E. Parsons

That the Student Learning, Well-being, and Equity Committee recommend the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board contact Neinstein LLP for discussion regarding Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board's potential participation in the Social Media Mass Tort opportunity presented to Ontario Public School Board Association directors October 19, 2023.

Carried

iii. School Year Calendar Change

Superintendent Elliott referred to report 8(a)iii, dated November 6, 2023. Clarification and discussion took place regarding:

 Learning opportunities posed by the eclipse, student safety, and the impact on employee groups.

Chair Lewis asked for a mover and seconder for the recommendation being brought forward for approval by the Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee.

Recommendation:

Mover: R. Prinzen Seconder: E. Parsons

That the Student Learning, Well-being and Equity Committee recommend the Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board approve the move of the April 12, 2024 PA Day to April 8, 2024, effective November 6, 2023.

Carried

iv. HPEDSB Commemorative Days

Superintendent Niemi referred to report 8(a)iv, dated November 6, 2023. Clarification and discussion took place regarding:

The reporting of student attendance when absences occur on commemorative days.
 Superintendent Niemi to confirm this.

(b) Review of Draft Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes

Trustee Maracle reviewed Report 8(b), dated November 6, 2023. Clarification was provided regarding the K-12 Indigenous Coach model.

(c) Review of Draft Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee Minutes

Trustee Maracle reviewed Report 8(c), dated November 6, 2023. Clarification was provided regarding affinity groups.

9. Trustee Motions for Consideration (Introduced at Previous Meeting)

None.

- **10. Trustee Notices of Motion (Discussion for Next Meeting)** None.
- 11. The meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m. The next meeting will be on Monday, February 5, 2024.