



**Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board  
Liaison Committee  
MINUTES 15-003  
Thursday, October 1, 2015  
1:30 p.m.  
Room 264  
City Hall, 71 Main Street West**

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**Present:** Mayor Eisenberger (Co-Chair)  
Todd White, Chair, HWDSB (Co-Chair)  
Councillors Conley and Partridge  
P. Deathe and W. Hicks, Trustees, HWDSB

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**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE:**

**(a) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Committee Clerk advised the Committee of the following change to the agenda:

Added Item 8.2 (Under Discussion Items) – Update on the Joint Property and Assessment Committee (no copy).

**(Conley / Partridge)**

That the agenda of the May 14, 2015 meeting of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS (Item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)**

**(Partridge / Conley)**

That the minutes of the May 14, 2015 meeting of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board Liaison Committee be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Request to Schedule a Professional Activity Day on October 22, 2018 – Municipal Election Day (Item 8.1)**

Mr. White advised the Committee that the request from the Mayor to schedule a Professional Activity Day on October 22, 2018, was received by the School Board and referred to a meeting of this Committee for further discussion:

*RESOLUTION #15-126: That the correspondence received from Mayor Eisenberger regarding a PA Day on Monday October 22, 2018 be referred to the City/School Board Liaison Committee for further discussion at the upcoming meeting on October 1, 2015. (excerpt from the letter from the Board)*

The Committee discussed the issues that arose during the last election, postponing in some cases the opening of polls.

The Committee was advised that the issue of parking would be a matter for concern whether it was a Professional Activity Day or a school day, as staff are in attendance on Professional Activity Days or a school days.

The Committee asked whether an Elections Protocol could be developed, which includes communication with Principals in order to ensure sufficient access (parking and accessible parking) to the school during an election.

The Committee put forward a suggestion, to have the teachers use carpooling or free bus passes on Election Day, as a possible option.

The Committee left this matter in the hands of Mr. Figueiredo and Mr. Murray.

**(ii) Update on the Joint Property and Assessment Committee (Item 8.2)**

The Committee was provided with a brief overview of this Committee's purpose, which relates to operations of the schools.

The Committee requested that the Terms of Reference for this Committee be circulated to the Committee members at the their next meeting.

The minutes of this Committee are to be forwarded to this Committee.

The Committee left this matter with Robyn Ellis.

**(e) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**  
**General Issues Committee – May 18, 2016**

**(i) Green Bins (Item 11.1)**

The Committee was advised that once the pilot/test is completed, the schools will be discussing how they can begin to initiate this initiative in other schools and whether it will be in elementary and/or secondary schools. This initiative will require the City's support, as this is a partnership between the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board and the City of Hamilton.

The Balaclava School is to be the pilot site for the initiative.

The Committee suggested as a learning opportunity for the students, tours of the composting facility.

**(ii) Greenville School - Update (Item 11.2)**

The Committee was provided with an update on Greenville School, which is a new build on the existing site, there are four partners involved and child care has been confirmed with the Province being the fifth partner.

When the School Board approached the Province for funding for this project they were advised to wait and go through the capital project process. The project is currently on track and is awaiting the announcement from the Ministry.

**(iii) Vision 20/20 Project (Added as Item 11.3)**

The Committee thanked the trustees and staff for their support throughout the project.

The Committee was provided with an update on the Vision 20/20 Project, a community driven project that engaged 23,000 individuals. The comments received are currently being analyzed in order to prepare a final report in March 2016, which will be linked to the 2016 Strategic Plan.

**(iv) Youth Roundtable (Added as Item 11.4)**

The Committee was advised that this initiative received input from a wide variety of agencies with 36 individuals attending the session. The next steps in the process are to engage youth; include other agencies and schedule another session in late October 2015.

The Committee members were asked to forward any suggestions respecting interested agencies to Mr. Cutler.

**(v) Community Planning and Facility Partnerships (Item 11.5)**

Mr. White noted that the document with respect to Community Planning and Facility Partnership should be completed and approved December 2015/January 2016.

**(vi) Busing in Ward 9 (Item 11.6)**

The Committee was advised that the Rymal bus should be scheduled for every 30 minutes rather than every hour; sidewalks are non-existent and with the 800+ homes in the Losani development, this will be a concern in the very near future.

The Committee suggested that Hamilton Street Railway; the School Transit and the School Board communicate with one another to resolve this concern.

**(vii) Future Meetings (Item 11.7)**

The Committee requested that they meet at least three times between January and June 2016.

**(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

**(Conley/White)**

That there being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger, Co-Chair,  
Hamilton Wentworth District School  
Board Liaison Committee

T. White, Co-Chair,  
Hamilton Wentworth District School  
Board Liaison Committee