

**APRIL 25, 2016**  
**EDC PUBLIC MEETING – 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING**

The Waterloo Region District School Board held the second Education Development Charges (EDC) Meeting this evening at 7:55 p.m. in the Education Centre Board Room, with the following members in attendance: K. Woodcock (Chairperson), C. Harrington, J. Hendry, T. Martin, S. McMillan, C. Millar, M. Ramsay, K. Smith, N. Waddell and C. Watson.

Student Trustees R. Barnes and A. Takhar were in attendance.

The following senior administration members were in attendance: J. Bryant (Director of Education and Secretary), M. Deacon, M. Gerard, L. Hodgins, S. Lomax, A. Mercier, S. Miller, P. Rubenschuh, E. Ranney, L. Read, M. Schinkel and G. Shantz.

Other staff in attendance: S. Callon, D. Cuomo, N. Hercanuck and J. Herring.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson K. Woodcock called the meeting to order at 7:55 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Moved by N. Waddell, seconded by C. Harrington:

**That the agenda of the April 25, 2016, Education Development Charges Background Study Meeting be approved.**

-Carried Unanimously-

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no items of pecuniary interest this evening.

**NEW BUSINESS – EDC BACKGROUND STUDY**

Chairperson K. Woodcock announced that the Board would be inviting our consultant to provide an overview of the process leading to the proposed changes.

Consultant C. Clarke of Ameresco provided a presentation on the Education Development Charges Bylaw. During her presentation the consultant noted that she is under contract to return in two years to reconcile the Bylaw and determine how the recovery of funds is progressing and the Bylaw could be changed again at that time.

Legal Counsel James Easto of Keel Cottrelle LLP, provided an explanation of the Bylaw and noted non-statutory exemptions which include not charging EDC's to farms and public hospitals. A more comprehensive list of exemptions was included on page 256 of the Background Study.

**DELEGATIONS**

Chairperson K. Woodcock invited delegations to step forward at this time.

- Art Sinclair, from the Greater Kitchener-Waterloo Chamber of Commerce

-Carried-

**CLOSING REMARKS**

Chairperson K. Woodcock thanked community members for their input and announced that the next EDC Meeting would be a joint meeting with the Waterloo Catholic District School Board which would take place on May 16, 2016, at the Regional Municipality of Waterloo Council Chambers, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario.

**ADJOURNMENT**

5. Moved by C. Harrington, seconded by S. McMillan:

**That the Education Development Charges Background Study Meeting of April 25, 2016, be adjourned.**

-Carried Unanimously-

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.