

**SEPTEMBER 19, 2016**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

The Waterloo Region District School Board held a Committee of the Whole Meeting this evening at 7:00 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, N. Waddell and C. Watson.

Trustees A. Mitchell and K. Smith were unable to attend this evening's meeting.

Student Trustees R. Barnes and H. Jamal were in attendance.

The following senior administration members were in attendance: J. Bryant (Director of Education and Secretary), M. Gerard, P. Rubenschuh, L. Read, M. Schinkel, G. Shantz and M. Weinert.

Other staff in attendance: M. Carbone, J. Herring, N. Manning and L. Slupeiks.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson K. Woodcock called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Moved by S. McMillan, seconded by C. Millar:

**That the agenda of the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting be approved.**

-Carried-

**DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairperson K. Woodcock announced that she had received regrets for this evening's meeting from Trustee K. Smith.

**DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations this evening.

**POLICY AND GOVERNANCE**

**APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 1004 - HARASSMENT**

2. Moved by J. Hendry, seconded by C. Watson:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board approve Board Policy 1004 - Harassment as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

**APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 1009 – VIOLENCE IN THE WORKPLACE**

3. Moved by C. Harrington, seconded by T. Martin:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board approve Board Policy 1009 – Violence in the Workplace as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

**APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 6000 – SAFE SCHOOLS**

4. Moved by C. Watson, seconded by J. Hendry:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board approve Board Policy 6000 – Safe Schools as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

During the discussion of the above policy, Superintendent P. Rubenschuh noted that he had received a number of suggested amendments from members of the Parent Involvement Committee and he will follow up with the committee in regard to the suggestions.

**APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 6002 – COMPULSORY STUDENT ENROLMENT**

5. Moved by C. Harrington, seconded by T. Martin:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board approve Board Policy 6002 – Compulsory Student Enrolment as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

**APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY 6004 – OUTDOOR EDUCATION/OFF CAMPUS**

6. Moved by S. McMillan, seconded by T. Martin:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board approve the following amendment to Board Policy 6004 – Outdoor Education/Off Campus as determined at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting:**

**1.1.4 That consideration be given to accessibility, equity and inclusion when planning off-campus and outdoor education trips.**

-Carried-

**REPORTS**

**INTERNET CONTENT FILTERING (REVISIONS TO POLICY 2012-ACCESS TO DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY)**

Superintendent M. Schinkel introduced a report in response to the following motion passed at the June 27, 2016, Board Meeting:

*That the Waterloo Region District School Board amend Board Policy 2012 - Access to Digital Resources and Technology, to include stronger graduated filtering for elementary grades as well as multi-language filtering; and*

*That professional development concerning computer technology and filtering techniques be made mandatory including occasional teachers; and*

*That the policy be amended using the lens of the Equity & Inclusion Advisory Group guidelines; and*

*That the amended policy and a report outlining the costs incurred be provided to the Board by the end of September 2016.*

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During the discussion on the report, Trustee J. Hendry provided the following motion for Board approval. Trustee C. Harrington requested that the motion be divided to allow each section of the motion to be voted on separately.

7. Moved by J. Hendry, seconded by M. Ramsay:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board accept changes to this report and changes to the policy as contained in Appendix A; and**

**That the Board permits staff to invest approximately \$15,000 to be used in creating appropriate training material to support teachers in dealing with the internet filtering issue as it impacts students in the classroom; and**

**That a status report, to be scheduled by the Agenda Development Committee, return to the Board by September 2017.**

-Carried Unanimously-

*Note: Division of the motion occurred, as per the request by Trustee C. Harrington and all three sections of the motion received a unanimous vote.*

8. Moved by C. Millar, seconded by T. Martin:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board receive as information the report titled “Internet Content Filtering” as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

**BANK BORROWING RESOLUTION**

Superintendent M. Gerard presented this annual report to trustees for their approval in accordance with Section 243 of the Education Act.

9. Moved by C. Harrington, seconded by T. Martin:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board adopt the Resolution, as outlined in Appendix A of the report titled Bank Borrowing Resolution, dated September 19, 2016, authorizing the borrowing of money to meet current expenditures of the Waterloo Region District School Board for the fiscal year 2017.**

-Carried-

**MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS – QUARTERLY UPDATE REPORT**

Superintendent M. Gerard presented the report for information and provided additional detail around the caution as noted for Chicopee Hills Public School.

Discussion followed on why the building permit has not yet been received and a brief discussion ensued. In response to a question of identifying a date when completion of the school on time was no longer possible, Superintendent M. Gerard stated that he would provide more information in the next quarterly report.

10. Moved by C. Harrington, seconded by C. Millar:

**That the Waterloo Region District School Board receive as information the report titled “Major Capital Projects – Quarterly Update Report” as presented at the September 19, 2016, Committee of the Whole Meeting.**

-Carried-

**STAFF AND BOARD REPORTS**

There were no reports this evening.

**QUESTION PERIOD**

There were no items for question period.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**That the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 19, 2016, be adjourned.**

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.