#### EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES POLICY REVIEW PUBLIC #1 MEETING

The Waterloo Region District School Board held an Education Development Charges Policy Review Public Meeting #1 this evening at 7:30 p.m. via video conference, with the following members in attendance: J. Weston (Chairperson), J. Herring, K. Meissner, C. Millar, S. Piatkowski, K. Smith, L. Tremble, C. Watson, C. Whetham and K. Woodcock.

Trustee M. Ramsay was unable to attend the meeting.

Student Trustees T. John-Jandles and R. McDonald were in attendance.

The following senior administration members were in attendance: J. Bryant (Director of Education and Secretary), M. Gerard, C. Newton, L. Read, and M. Weinert.

Other staff in attendance: L. Agar, M. Delisle, B. Jaklic and S. Reidel.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson J. Weston called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Moved by J. Herring, seconded by K. Smith:

That the agenda of the April 19, 2021, Education Development Charges Policy Review Public Meeting #1 be approved.

-Carried-

## **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

## **OPENING REMARKS**

Chairperson J. Weston shared opening remarks for the meeting noting that the coterminous Boards has worked in close co-operation in developing the proposed education development charges, coordinated their efforts in carrying out the background analysis respecting growth projections, pupil enrolment forecasts, determination of growth-related pupil place requirements, site costing, and in completing their respective EDC forms, through continuing discussions. She shared that the WRDSB is seeking input from the public and will consider the submissions prior to the passage of a new education development charges by-law.

#### REPORTS FROM CONSULTANTS, LEGAL COUNSEL, OFFICIALS AND STAFF

## EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES (EDC) POLICY DOCUMENT

This report was provided for information.

Jack Ammendolia of Watson & Associates presented on the Boards' existing EDC policies. He reviewed the definition of Education Development Charges (EDC), the requirements for public meetings and the review of the existing policies.

## **QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEES**

Trustees had the opportunity to ask questions of clarification.

## **DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations.

# **CLOSING REMARKS**

Chairperson J. Weston shared that the report received tonight is for the information of the Board and will be noted as such in the minutes. She announced that a second formal public meeting will be held immediately following this meeting to consider the proposed new charges and by-laws, and a further public meeting will be held on May 10, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

2. Moved by K. Woodcock, seconded by C. Whetham:

That the Education Development Charges Policy Review Public Meeting #1 of April 19, 2021, be adjourned.

-Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.