

## Education Development Charges Background Study Meeting

A public Education Development Charges Background Study meeting was held on Monday, April 25, 2016 at the Waterloo Region Catholic Education Centre.

### Trustees Present:

Joyce Anderson; Bill Conway; Manuel da Silva (Chair); Amy Fee; \*Frank Johnson; Wendy Price; Greg Reitzel; Brian Schmalz; Melanie Van Alphen

\*attended electronically

### Student Trustees Present:

Sebastian Monsalve

### Administrative Officials Present:

Loretta Notten; Gerry Clifford; Jason Connolly; Derek Haime; John Klein; Shesh Maharaj; Laura Shoemaker

### Special Resources For The Meeting:

Lindsay Ford

### Regrets:

Karen Hakim; David DeSantis; John Shewchuk

### Recorder:

Barb Pilsner, Executive Administrative Assistant

**NOTE ON VOTING:** Under Board by-law 5.7 all Board decisions made by consensus are deemed the equivalent of a unanimous vote. A consensus decision is therefore deemed to be a vote of 9-0. Under Board by-law 5.11 every Trustee "shall vote on all questions on which the Trustee is entitled to vote" and abstentions are not permitted.

## 1. Call to Order:

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m.

### 1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials

### 1.2 Approval of Agenda

**2016-56** -- It was *moved* by **B. Conway** and *seconded* by **W. Price**:

*THAT the agenda for April 25, 2016 be now approved. --- Carried by consensus.*

### 1.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

1.3.1 From the current meeting – NIL

1.3.2 From a previous public or in-camera meeting – NIL

## 2. New Business

### 2.1 Education Development Charges Background Study (previously distributed)

Cynthia Clarke, Ameresco, reviewed what is currently in the by-law and background study. The Ministry of Education has reviewed the background study as required. The by-law must be adopted within 12 months of taking the analysis. The proposed increase is \$653 per residential dwelling unit, and \$0.32 per non-residential sq. ft. of gross floor area.

### 2.2 Draft Successor Education Development Charges By-Laws (part of item 3.1)

James A. Easto of Keel Cottrelle L.L.P. advised this by-law essentially follows the one passed in 2011. He reviewed a few changes to the by-law which does not include a phase-in, however it could be added should the board decide.

### **3 Reports from Consultants, Legal Counsel**

L. Ford advised the City of Kitchener had some comments and suggestions which they have responded to. Trustees will receive this prior to May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **4 Questions by Trustees**

M. da Silva asked if trustees had questions. There were none.

### **5 Delegations/Public Question Period**

No delegates.

### **6 Closing Remarks**

M. da Silva advised the third meeting will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Regional Council Chambers as a joint meeting with the WRDSB. Delegates should send their requests directly to Lindsay Ford or Barb Pilsner.

### **7 Closing Prayer**

### **8 Motion to Adjourn**

**2016-57** -- It was *moved* by **W. Price** and *seconded* by **G. Reitzel**:

*THAT the meeting be now adjourned.*

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 5:53 p.m.

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Chair of the Board

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Secretary