

Joint Special Public Meeting: Education Development Charges By-law

A joint public Education Development Charges By-law meeting of the Waterloo Catholic District School Board and the Waterloo Region District School Board was held on Monday, May 16, 2016 at the Regional Municipality of Waterloo Council Chambers, 150 Frederick Street, Kitchener.

Trustees Present:

Joyce Anderson; Bill Conway; Manuel da Silva (Chair); Amy Fee; Wendy Price; Brian Schmalz; Melanie Van Alphen

Student Trustees Present:

Sebastian Monsalve

Administrative Officials Present:

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

Special Resources For The Meeting:

Lindsay Ford

Regrets:

Frank Johnson; Greg Reitzel; Karen Hakim; 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 7:31 p.m.

1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials

The meeting opened with prayer led by Sebastian Monsalve, student trustee.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Add Active and Safe Routes to School as Item 8.

2016-69 -- It was *moved* by **J. Anderson** and *seconded* by **W. Price**:

THAT the agenda for May 16, 2016 as amended be now approved and the normal requirement for delegations to file a copy of their presentation was waived. --- Carried by consensus.

2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No trustees declared a conflict of interest.

3. Opening Remarks

M. da Silva gave the opening remarks.

4. Presentations from Consultant, Legal Counsel and Staff

2.1 Consultant

Cynthia Clarke, Ameresco, updated the boards on the EDC proposals. The Minister has reviewed the student enrolment and the new school sites required. There are no changes to the calculations as a result of the review so the background study presented previously has not changed.

3.2 Legal Counsel

James A. Easto of Keel Cottrelle reviewed the proposed changes and is not recommending the need for another public meeting as the changes are not substantial.

L. Ford summarized the reports for the board.

5. Delegations/Public Question Period

Kathleen Woodcock, WRDSB chair, called for delegations. There were none.

6. Questions by Trustees

M. da Silva asked if there were any questions of trustees. There were none.

7. Passage of By-law

2016-70 -- It was *moved* by **A. Fee** and *seconded* by **W. Price**:

THAT the Board of Trustees make no changes to the existing Education Development Charge By-law policies as they relate to jurisdiction-wide vs area-specific charges, additional residential or non-residential exemptions, demolition or conversion credits or term of the by-law (5 years).

That the Board of Trustees approves the implementation of an Education Development Charge incorporating both a residential and non-residential component with the percentage of growth-related net education land cost that is to be funded by Education Development Charges on residential development be 80% and on non-residential development be 20%.

That the Board of Trustees determines pursuant to Section 257.63 of the Education Act that no further public meeting concerning the proposed Education Development Charge By-Law (2016) is necessary.

*That the Board of Trustees approves the Education Development Charge By-law (2016) for a term of 5 years with an effective date of June 1, 2016 in the form attached with the date of Ministerial approval to be inserted into the third recital, \$653 to be inserted into Part II Section 8 as the Education Development Charge on each dwelling unit, and \$0.32 to be inserted into Part III Section 13 as the Education Development Charge per square foot (\$3.44 per square metre) on the gross floor area of non-residential development. --- **Carried by consensus.***

8. Active and Safe Routes to School

L. Ford, Manger of Planning, and L. Agar, WRDSB Senior Planner provided an update on the Active Transportation Charter that was developed and adopted May 16, 2011 by both boards.

9. Closing Prayer

10. Motion to Adjourn

2016-71 -- It was *moved* by **B. Schmalz** and *seconded* by **B. Conway**:

THAT the meeting be now adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:51 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary