



Near North
District School Board

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David Thompson, Chair

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The June 28, 2017 **Public Session Special Board Meeting** of the Near North District School Board was held at 6:00 p.m. at the Head Office of the Near North District School Board, 963 Airport Road, North Bay, ON P1C 1A5 and by teleconference.

Trustees Present:

David Thompson, Chair
Al Bottomley
Harry Fry
Corine Green
Carol Stevens
Michelina Beam
Louise Sargent
Carol Stevens

Administrative Staff Present:

Jackie Young, Director of Education
Liz Therrien, Superintendent of Business
Carrie Girard, Executive Assistant

Trustee Regrets: Jim Beatty – Vice Chair

Public (North Bay):

Karen Matthews
Linda Holmes

Public (Parry Sound):

Glen Hodgson

In Camera Items

17-06-19 Moved by Al Bottomley, seconded by Louise Sargent
That the Board move into Private Session at 5:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Call to Order

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Attendance

Attendance indicated that 8 Trustees were present for this meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

17-03-25 Moved by Louise Sargent, seconded by Harry Fry

That the Board approve the agenda as presented for the Public Session meeting of March 3, 2017.

CARRIED

2017-2018 Budget

Superintendent Therrien presented the budget via a presentation *2017-2018 Budget: Staff Recommended 2017-2018 Budget – Budgeted Expenditures and Revenues*.

For 2017-2018, we have an in-year compliant deficit budget in the amount of \$635,036. Our challenge is to align very tight and limited resources with maximizing the achievement of the Board's priorities as outlined in the multi-year plan in light of full financial reform implementation, declining enrolment and excess capacity in the Board's facilities.

At 11:00 a.m. this morning, the Ministry of Education released memo 2017: B09 outlining the Province's Plan to Strengthen Rural and Northern Education which includes an in-year enhancement to our Board's Grants for Student Needs (GSNs) for the 2017-2018 school year.

Staff will need to some time for an in depth review to come up with a recommended plan to suggest how the funding can be best utilized for students in our Board. Within the funding, there are specific ways the funds must be used.

Every account has been reviewed, and by doing so, some efficiencies were realized. At all costs, we try to protect the classroom and the supports that are provided to our most valuable assets – our students.

We have maintained our staffing levels for student supports for next budget.

Director Young acknowledged the amazing collaboration by the Senior Team for digging deep to find savings. She takes great pride in the work that comes forward from Superintendent Therrien.

2017-2018 Budget

17-06-26 Moved by Michelina Beam, seconded by Paul Moffat

That the Board approve the 2017-2018 Budget with a planned deficit in the amount of \$635,036 as recommended from the Budget Committee on June 28, 2017.

CARRIED

Ratification of Business Transacted in Private Session

17-06-27 Moved by Louise Sargent, seconded by Harry Fry

That the Board ratify the following items from Private Session:

- **Property**

CARRIED

Motion to Adjourn

17-06-28 Moved by Al Bottomley, seconded by Paul Moffat

That the Board meeting of June 28, 2017 adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

CARRIED

David Thompson
Chair

Jackie Young
Director of Education