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The June 27, 2023 **Public Session Special Board Meeting** of the Near North District School Board was held via Zoom teleconference and videoconference.

**Trustees Present:**

Erika Lougheed, Chair  
Howard Wesley, Vice-Chair ®  
Ashley St. Pierre ®  
Bill Steer ®  
Chantal Phillips  
Jeanie Fuscaldo ®  
Julie Bertram ®  
Louise Sargent  
Shane Hall ®

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Craig Myles, Director of Education  
Gay Smylie, Superintendent of Education  
Deb Bartlett, Communications Officer ®  
Krista Messenger, Executive Assistant  
Melanie Gray, Superintendent of Education ®  
Timothy Graves, Superintendent of Education ®

**Other:**

Staff, media and community partners

**Trustees Absent:**

Allen Lewis Trodd, Student Trustee  
Cecilia Darling, Student Trustee

® attended remotely via Zoom video or audio conference

**1.0 Call to Order**

Chair Lougheed called the meeting to order at 4:54 pm.

**1.1 Land Acknowledgement**

Chair Lougheed read the land acknowledgement aloud.

**2.0 Attendance**

**2.1 Confirmation of Quorum**

Attendance indicated that nine trustees are present for the meeting.

**2.2 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

The floor was opened for declarations of conflict of interest.

Vice-Chair Wesley raised a conflict with item 4.1.3- Parry Sound Building Committee Report. In alignment with BL-119, Vice-Chair Wesley was requested to state the nature of the conflict and the extent to which this interest affects his duties. A written copy of the declaration is required to be submitted to the Director's Office for inclusion in the Conflict-of-Interest Registry. Vice-Chair Wesley noted the conflict is regarding the nature of his employment, as he is connected to a number of tradespeople.

Trustee Fuscaldo raised a conflict with item 4.1.3- Parry Sound Building Committee Report. In alignment with BL-119, Trustee Fuscaldo was requested to state the nature of the conflict and the extent to which this interest affects her duties. A written copy of the declaration is required to be submitted to the Director's Office for inclusion in the Conflict-of-Interest Registry. Trustee Fuscaldo noted the conflict is regarding the private business which is co-owned by Trustee Fuscaldo.

The Chair offered further details on pecuniary conflicts of interest, noting it strictly involves oneself, one's spouse, or one's child(ren). Trustees who have declared conflicts are not permitted to participate, influence, or vote on this item.

### **3.0 Approval of the Agenda**

Chair Lougheed offered introductory remarks to note this meeting has been called as a Special Meeting of the Board, convened at the call of the Chair.

It is noted that Special Meetings are convened for a specific need, therefore only time-sensitive items have been included for discussion.

*Motion: 23-06-A, A. St Pierre/ B. Steer*

That the agenda for the Special Board meeting of June 27, 2023, be approved as presented. - Carried.

### **4.0 New Business**

#### **4.1 Parry Sound Building Committee Report**

4.1.1. *Meeting minutes- April 21, 2023, and June 14, 2023*

4.1.2. *Terms of Reference*

4.1.3. *Board Report*

Director Myles was invited to provide introductory remarks. Members of the Parry Sound Building Committee were recognized as Trustees Fuscaldo, Hall and Wesley, alongside Superintendents Van Haesendonck and Smylie. Each member was thanked for their dedication to the project and the committee. Thanks are expressed to all who were able to join in person for the exciting announcement by the honourable Minister of Education in Parry Sound on June 19. The additional project funding signals a significant commitment to NNDSB students by the Government of Ontario.

SBO Van Haesendonck provided an overview of the committee meetings and process undertaken which resulted in the recommendation being presented to trustees for award. It is recognized that this project will provide a state-of-the-art school with updated technology, ventilation, additional childcare spaces that NNDSB is aware are desperately needed, and an enhanced space reflective of the Indigenous youth perspective.

The floor was opened for any comments or questions regarding the minutes, Terms of Reference, or report regarding a recommendation for the tender award- with none rose. With this, Chair Lougheed read aloud the motions for review and approval.

*Motion: 23-06-B, C. Phillips/ B. Steer*

*Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the amendments to the Parry Sound JK-12 Building Committee Terms of Reference, as recommended by the Parry Sound JK-12 Building Committee. – CARRIED.*

*Motion: 23-06-C, L. Sargent/ B. Steer*

*That the contract to build the new JK-12 school on the current Parry Sound High School site be awarded to Van Horne Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$52,700,000.00 excluding HST, as recommended by the Parry Sound Building Committee. – CARRIED.*

Chair Lougheed thanked trustees and recognized the significance of this moment in relation to the length of this journey.

**5.0 Items for Decision**

**5.1 Report from Committee of the Whole- Private Session**

*Motion: 23-06-D, H. Wesley/ C. Phillips*

*That the Board of Trustees approves the Letter of Settlement agreement dated May 31, 2023 between NNDSB and the Principals and Vice-Principals Association Near North Principals Council as presented. -CARRIED.*

**5.2 Report from Committee of the Whole- Public Session**


Chair Lougheed noted this is a nil report.

**6.0 Motion to Adjourn**

*Motion: 23-06-E, C. Phillips/ J. Bertram*

*That on June 27, 2023, we do now adjourn at 5:07 pm. -CARRIED.*

  
**Erika Lougheed**  
 Chair

  
**Craig Myles**  
 Director of Education

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

<p><b>23-06-A</b>                  A. St Pierre                  B. Steer</p>	<p>That the agenda for the Special Board meeting of June 27, 2023, be approved as presented. – CARRIED.</p>
<p><b>23-06-B</b>                  C. Phillips                  B. Steer</p>	<p>Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approves the amendments to the Parry Sound JK-12 Building Committee Terms of Reference, as recommended by the Parry Sound JK-12 Building Committee. – CARRIED.</p>
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	the Parry Sound Building Committee. – CARRIED.
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<b>23-06-E</b> C. Phillips J. Bertram	That on June 27, 2023, we do now adjourn at 5:07 pm. -CARRIED.