

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
to be held in the boardroom
69 Young Street, Sudbury
on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

AGENDA AND RECOMMENDED MOTIONS

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Chair

Motion:

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of October 24, 2017 be approved.

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

*Chair

C. PRESENTATIONS

*Chair

Partnerships for Students – Superintendent Bourget

D. REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD

*Director

E. OLD BUSINESS

*Director

1. Previous Minutes

*Chair

Motion:

That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 26, 2017 be approved.

2. Capital and Accommodation Plan – Update #1

*SBO

New Sudbury Planning Area

3. Tenders/Requests for Proposals

*SBO

Motion

That the Board award the contract for Construction Management Services - RFP 2017-33, to _____ and _____.

4. Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees

*Chair

a) **Audit Committee (AC)**

2016/2017 External Audit Plan

*AC Chair

Motion:

That the 2016/2017 External Audit Plan be approved.

2017/2018 Internal Audit Plan and the Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan

Motion:

That the 2017/2018 Internal Audit Plan and the Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan be approved.

b) **Strategic Planning Committee**

*Chair

Motion:

That Rainbow District School Board write a letter thanking Council of Ontario Directors of Education (CODE) for their financial support for Summer Learning Programs.

F. **NEW BUSINESS**

*Chair

1. **Finance**

*SBO

Honorarium for Trustees

2. **2018 Summit Children and Youth Mental Health**

*Chair

Motion:

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the 2018 Summit Children and Youth Mental Health in Toronto April 12 – 13, 2018:

3. **Requests for Leave of Absence**

*Chair

Motion:

That _____ be granted a leave of absence from the October 24, 2017 Board meeting.

4. **Director's Remarks**

*Director

5. **Other Items**

*Chair

OPSBA Delegate
Student Trustee

6. **Trustees' Remarks/Questions**

*Chair

Reminder: Trustees who require detailed information on specific questions are encouraged to contact the Director prior to the meeting.

7. **Chairperson's Remarks**

*Chair

G. **INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS**

*Chair

1. **Reports from Officials and Staff**

Audit Committee minutes December 8, 2016 (official)

2. **Non-Staff Communications**

Letter from Waterloo Region DSB dated September 15, 2017

Letter from Waterloo Region DSB dated September 22, 2017

H. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

*Chair

Special Education Advisory Cmttee Nov 1, 2017 12:00 pm Lockerby CS LDAS office

Student Senate Meeting November 6, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Nov 7, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young

Equity & Inclusion Education Cmttee Nov 9, 2017 4:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young

Parent Involvement Committee November 15, 2017 7:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young

Board Meeting November 21, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 408 Wembley

First Nation Advisory Committee November 23, 2017 10:00 am Boardroom @ Wembley

Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Nov 28, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ Wembley

Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting January 10, 2018 3:30 pm Boardroom

I. **ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair

Motion:

That we do now adjourn at p.m.

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
held in the Boardroom
69 Young Street, Sudbury
on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 5:40 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (Chair), B. Clement, G. Fox, J. Hunda, L. Killens, J. Kosmerly, D. Morrison, R. Ward, Student Trustee M. Leach Jarrett

Absent: G. Santala

Officials: N. Blaseg – Director
D. Bazinet - Superintendent of Business
B. Bourget, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk - Superintendents
N. Charette, H. Thirkill

Others: S. Ackroyd, D. Kitching, C. McDonald, H. Gaffney, L. Fisher, S. Conroy, P. Mackey, J. Harvey, L. Pogue and members of the public

Chair Dewar requested that cell phones be turned off during the meeting.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 17-R123, R.Ward/J.Kosmerly

That the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of September 26, 2017 be approved. - **Carried**

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. PRESENTATIONS

Student Achievement K-12

Superintendent Noble introduced the program team: principals Sherry Conroy, Lesley Fisher, Heather Gaffney and Colleen McDonald. Each system principal shared student achievement information and data in their area, comparing current data to data from previous years.

Vice Principal Heather Downey, program leader Crystal Gibbs and teacher Clinton Jameus spoke to Trustees about how the team worked at Sudbury Secondary School to close the gaps. The target group was grade 9 students in the applied stream. Excellent results were shared.

Principal Paula Mackey, Vice Principal Jennifer Harvey and math support teacher Laura Pogue shared Queen Elizabeth Public School's approach to closing the gap. Examples were presented and success stories were shared. The group spoke about the importance of teamwork and knowing your learners.

Trustees had the opportunity to make comments and ask questions. Trustees were thankful for the work that is being done to help Rainbow students.

D. REPORT FROM THE IN-CAMERA COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD

Motion: 17-R124, D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That the report from the Labour Relations Committee be approved. - **Carried**

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Previous Minutes

Motion: 17-R125, G.Fox/J.Kosmerly

That the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on August 29, 2017 be approved. - **Carried**

2. Tenders/Requests for Proposals

Motion: 17-R126, J.Kosmerly/D.Morrison

That the Board award the contract for Confederation Secondary School, gymnasium addition - tender #2017-31 to Prosperi Co. Ltd. for \$1,924,500.
- **Carried**

3. Reports and Recommendations from Board Committees NIL

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Ontario Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) 61st Annual Special Education Conference 2017

Motion: 17-R127, D.Morrison/G.Fox

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the CEC 61st Annual Special Education Conference in Toronto November 24 – 25 2017:

Trustee Clement
Trustee Hunda
Trustee Kosmerly
Trustee Ward

- **Carried**

2. Public Education Symposium (PES) 2018

Motion: 17-R128, D.Morrison/J.Kosmerly

That the Board approve the attendance of the following trustees at the Public Education Symposium 2018 in Toronto January 26 – 27, 2018:

Chair Dewar
Trustee Clement
Trustee Fox
Trustee Hunda
Trustee Kosmerly

3. **Ontario Student Trustee Association (OSTA) Fall General Meeting**

Motion: 17-R129, J.Hunda/B.Clement

That the board approve the attendance of Student Trustee Leach Jarrett at the OSTA Fall General Meeting November 2 to 5, 2017 in Toronto. – **Carried**

4. **OSTA-AECO Fees**

Motion: 17-R130, B.Clement/ J.Hunda

That the 2017/18 membership fees in the Ontario Student Trustees' Association be approved. – **Carried**

5. **Requests for Leave of Absence**

Motion: 17-R131, J.Kosmerly/B.Clement

That Trustee Santala be granted a leave of absence from the September 26, 2017 Board meeting. – **Carried**

6. **Director's Remarks**

Director spoke about enrolment and staff changes. Superintendent Bourget confirmed that any class reorganizations, as a result of enrolment fluctuations, would be complete by the end of the month.

Superintendent Dennis Bazinet provided a brief transportation update. He confirmed there would be some transportation challenges over the next few weeks as there is a driver shortage and as a result we will have two routes that will be providing double runs.

Director informed that the board is working with the city, more specifically with Councillor Kirwan, on a community project that is directed to support the efforts of the Ryan Heights Neighbourhood Association and the area surrounding Queen Elizabeth Public School.

Profession Development day – Friday, September 29, 2017

- All staff are required to attend as this is the one opportunity to have input on the Annual School Improvement Plan.
- Remind everyone this is year two of a 3-year plan. Last year you will recall there was an emphasis on one of the three foci: working memory, which included spaced practice and automaticity.
- This year we will continue to build on last years work and for many schools introduce the second foci: vocabulary
- More to come on this over the next few weeks.

Finally we will be introducing a revised Homework package this year. The first month will be available later this week.

Itinerary:

August 30	Agenda Setting
August 31	Transportation meeting
September 5	P.A. Day Executive Council
September 6	First day of school First Nations lead meeting
September 7	Northern Support Initiative meeting New Sudbury area planning meeting
September 8	Directors' Meeting, four local school boards
September 11	ETFO Meeting
September 12	Executive Council Meeting Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
September 13	First Nations lead meeting Agenda Setting ETFO meeting
September 14	Wear Pink Day – anti bullying message
September 18	OPSS meeting
September 19	Student Achievement Meeting Meeting with Greater Sudbury Police Service Chief Pederson
September 20	First Nations lead meeting
September 21	CODE - Toronto
September 22	CODE - Toronto
September 25	SATSO meeting Audit Committee Meeting Ad hoc Strategic Planning Committee meeting (Policy review)
September 26	Executive Council N'Swakamok Agreement signing – Friendship Centre Labour Relations Committee meeting.

7. **Other Items**

OPSBA Delegate – Trustee Clement advised he attended the OPSBA Board of Directors Meeting in Toronto on September 22, 2017. He reported that Minister Mitzi Hunter will be attending the Northern Conference in Sault St. Marie on Friday, October 13, 2017. Trustee Clement commented on in depth discussion of grad rates throughout the province. There were also discussions of student trustee involvement in OPSBA.

Student Trustee – Student Trustee Madeleine Leach Jarrett reported that the first Senate meeting was held on September 11. The enthusiastic group are working on the talent show and the annual conference. The next Student Senate meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2017.

Student Trustee Madeleine Leach Jarrett reported that she is the OSTA representative for northern boards.

8. **Trustees' Remarks/Questions**

Trustee Morrison reported that the Audit Committee met yesterday and that a full report would be provided at the October 24, 2017 board meeting.

Trustee Killens referred to emails he sent with questions about the partnership between Lasalle SS and the RHP Training Centre Inc.

Motion: 17-R132, L.Killens/B.Clement

That a presentation be made regarding the partnership between Lasalle Secondary School and RHP Training Centre Inc.

Amendment: D.Morrison/J.Hunda

..... partnerships involving Rainbow schools in general. - **Carried**

Motion: 17-R132, L.Killens/B.Clement

That a presentation be made to the board regarding partnerships involving Rainbow schools in general. – **Carried**

Trustee Killens referred to an article in the newspaper concerning parents of Rainbow students. The chair ruled this item as being an in-camera item under **Governance By-Law 10.1 b)** namely: the possible disclosure of personal information in respect of a parent(s) of Rainbow students.

9. **Chairperson's Remarks**

Chair Dewar made reference to an email recently received from Jennifer McIntyre from OPSBA requesting individual trustee input on the Ministry's "Sector Engagement Discussion Guide". Trustees were encouraged to submit feedback to OPSBA as soon as possible. OPSBA's submission is due November 13, 2017.

Rainbow Schools are participating in the Winter Clothing Drive powered by Cooper Equipment Rentals in support of Our Children, Our Future. Members of the

community are invited to drop off gently used winter clothing at any of the Rainbow District School Board's elementary and secondary schools in Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin Island until October 30, 2017. Clothing will be redistributed within the schools and communities served by the Board.

Staff and students in Rainbow Schools have been invited to wear orange on Thursday, September 28 to show support for residential school survivors. "Orange Shirt Day" recognizes the effects and intergenerational impacts of the residential school system on First Nation, Métis, and Inuit children in Canada. Participation in Orange Shirt Day demonstrates our collective commitment to building our ongoing understanding.

Background:

Orange Shirt Day began in Williams Lake, British Columbia by the St. Joseph Mission residential school commemoration project. Phyllis Webstad, a young girl from the Dog Creek reserve, attended the Mission in 1973, where her clothes were removed, including her brand new orange shirt.

Phyllis' story inspired the Mission to declare September 30th Orange Shirt Day, as this was the time of year in which children were taken from their homes to attend residential schools.

The 2nd annual Lasalle Secondary School SISU Family Walk in partnership with Sling-Choker will take place on Saturday, September 30, 2017. Participants will embark on a 10-kilometre journey from Lasalle Secondary School to Finlandia Village. Everyone is invited to come show their SISU and join them in their efforts by making a donation and/or participating in the walk. Funds raised will support outdoor walking and fitness activities at Finlandia Village. A trail system will be developed and built, engaging students, local businesses and volunteers.

Representatives from Ontario's 21 universities will be in Espanola at Espanola High School on Monday, October 2, 2017, from 10 am to 11 am, for the University Information Program (UIP).

Representatives will be in Sudbury at Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School on Thursday, October 5, 2017, from 7 pm to 9 pm.

This free event offers high school students from the surrounding area, and their parents, the opportunity to speak in-person with multiple university representatives. Any high school students in the area are welcome to attend, regardless of which school board their school belongs to.

A media event will be held at Sudbury Secondary School on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 10 am to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Joan Mantle Music Trust.

Rainbow District School Board will host the Embrace Diversity: Free to Be Me Conference on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at the Lexington Hotel. The conference

will begin with a keynote address followed by a variety of dynamic activities and workshops.

The Annual General Meeting of School Councils will take place in the library at Sudbury Secondary School on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 5:30 pm. The AGM will be followed by a presentation on well-being.

G. INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

1. Reports from Officials and Staff

Special Education Advisory Committee minutes April 5, 2017 (official)
Special Education Advisory Committee minutes May 17, 2017 (official)
Special Education Advisory Committee minutes June 7, 2017 (official)

2. Non-Staff Communications

Letter from Waterloo Region DSB dated May 31, 2017
Letter from Rainy River DSB dated June 1, 2017
Letter from Peel DSB dated June 20, 2017
Letter from Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario dated June 23, 2017

H. FUTURE MEETINGS

First Nation Advisory Committee Sept 28, 2017 10:00 am Boardroom @ 69 Young
Student Senate Meeting October 2, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young
Special Education Advisory Cmttee Oct 4, 2017 12:00 pm Lockerby CS LDAS office
Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Oct 10, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young
Environmental Education Cmttee Meeting Oct 11, 2017 3:30 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young
Parent Involvement Cmttee AGM October 17, 2017 5:30 pm Sudbury SS Library
Board Meeting October 24, 2017 5:00 pm Boardroom @ 69 Young

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: 17-R133, D.Morrison/B.Clement

That we now adjourn at 7:45 p.m. – **Carried.**

Title	External Audit Plan Report for the year ending August 31, 2017
Contact	Dennis Bazinet
Date Submitted	October 24, 2017
Background	<p>The Audit Committee approved the report from KPMG on September 25, 2017.</p> <p>Ministry of Education memorandum 2015:SB19 requires the Audit Committee to report on the content of the external auditor's audit plan to the Board.</p>
Process	<p>The purpose of the external audit is to enhance the degree of confidence of the users of the financial statements through the expression of an opinion on whether the financial statements are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the Financial Administration Act, supplemented by Ministry of Education memorandum 2004:B2 and Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act.</p> <p>The external audit is risk focused, taking into account key areas for financial reporting that, by their nature, require specific audit consideration. The risks identified are applicable to all Boards of Education.</p> <p>Key areas include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fraud risk from revenue recognition Fraud risk from management override of controls Government Grants and Deferred Contributions Tangible Capital Assets and Deferred Capital Contributions Employee Future Benefits Salaries and Benefits
Recommendation	That the 2016/2017 External Audit Plan be approved.

Rainbow District School Board

Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan

As at September 2017

2016/2017

Audit	Budget Planning, Development and Control	Custodial Services	
Area	Business	Facilities	
Rationale	High risk score High budget impact High profile process	Moderate Inherent Risk High Reputational Impact	
Result	Draft report to be issued	Draft report to be issued	

2017/2018

Audit	Special Education	Records Management	Follow Up-As management action plans are due
Area	Instruction and Schools	IT	
Rationale	Mid risk High profile process	Moderate Inherent Risk High Reputational Impact	
Result			

2018/2019

Audit	Instruction and Schools: Risk Assessment update	Attendance Management	Follow Up-As management action plans are due
Area	Instruction and Schools	Human Resources	
Rationale	To determine next 5 year plan	High risk score High impact on cost and service delivery	
Result			

Rainbow District School Board
Honoraria for Board Members
Calculation for December 1, 2017

	December 1, 2016	December 1, 2017	Difference	%
Elementary Average Daily Enrolment (ADE)	8,456.00	8,565.50	109.50	
Secondary ADE	4,859.80	4,706.43	(153.37)	
Total ADE	13,315.80	13,271.93	(43.87)	
Trustee Honorarium:				
Base Amount	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 5,900.00	-	0.00%
Enrolment Amount: ADE multiplied by \$1.75 divided by 9 trustees	2,589.18	2,580.65	(8.53)	
Trustee Honorarium (base + enrolment amount)	8,489.18	8,480.65	(8.53)	-0.10%
Additional Honorarium: Chair				
Base Amount	5,000.00	5,000.00	-	
Enrolment Amount: ADE multiplied by 0.05	665.79	663.60	(2.19)	
Total Honorarium: Chair	14,154.97	14,144.25	(10.72)	-0.08%
Additional Honorarium: Vice-chair				
Base Amount	2,500.00	2,500.00	-	
Enrolment Amount: ADE multiplied by 0.025	332.90	331.80	(1.10)	
Total Honorarium: Vice-Chair	11,322.08	11,312.45	(9.63)	-0.09%

Reg 357/06, Honoraria for Board Members, sets the parametres for the calculation of the honoraria
Amending Reg 190/14 establishes the base amount limit of honoraria for the 2014-18 term of office at \$5,900, \$5,000 and \$2,500
Board of Trustees Procedures, Trustee Honoraria

SAVE THE DATE

2018 SUMMIT

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

April 12 - 13, 2018 Beanfield Centre, CNE Grounds, Toronto

Beyond Collaboration: Towards Integrated Systems for Supporting Child and Youth Mental Health

Presentations will focus on working across tiered systems of support for promotion, prevention and intervention.

Who should attend?

Students / Parents / Educators
Mental Health Professionals /
Professional Student Services Agencies /
Children's Services Advocates

Who is hosting this event?

Hosted by the Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health - a multi-sectoral group committed to urgent and positive change for children and youth mental health services in Ontario

Early Bird Registration:

Link available on OPSBA's website: www.opsba.org or

LINK TO ONLINE REGISTRATION

Please check the website for updated information and program.

For Exhibit Space

Please contact Judith Nyman
jnyman@opsba.org

ACCOMMODATION Hyatt Regency Hotel, 370 King Street, Toronto.
Block to open September 2017. **Shuttle service** to Beanfield Centre
included in room rate.



Ontario Coalition for
Children and Youth
Mental Health
Let's put our heads together.

Coalition ontarienne
pour la santé mentale des
enfants et des adolescents
Réfléchissons ensemble.

Pre-Summit

Thursday, April 12, 2018

1:30 - Registration

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Your choice of 1 of 4 half day
in-depth sessions

Main Summit

Thursday Evening, April 12

5:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Dinner Reception and
Keynote Speaker (TBC)

and **Friday, April 13: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

■ **Keynote Speaker Friday a.m.:**

Mark Greenberg, PhD

Edna Peterson Bennett Endowed Chair
in Prevention Research, Professor of Human
Development and Psychology

■ **Plenary Panel Friday a.m.:**

Sharon Hoover, PhD

Co-Director, Center for School Mental Health
and Associate Professor, University of
Maryland School of Medicine, Child and
Adolescent Psychiatry

Alexia Jaouich, PhD

Director of Implementation and Knowledge
Exchange in the Provincial System Support
Program (PSSP) CAMH

Ian Manion, PhD

Director, Youth Mental Health Research Unit,
University of Ottawa Institute of Mental Health
Research

■ **Breakout Sessions Friday p.m.**

Your choice of 2 of 8 breakout sessions.

**Audit Committee
Official Minutes
Thursday, December 8, 2016
4:00 PM
Boardroom**

Present:

Trustees: D. Morrison, J. Hunda

Regrets: T. Campbell

External Audit Committee Members: F. Cinotti

Regrets: A. Lukezic

Officials: N. Blaseg – Director
D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business
K. Kozman – Manager of Finance

Others: D. D'Angelo – Lead Audit Engagement Partner (KPMG)
M. Dodge – Regional Internal Audit Manager (RIAM)
Y. de la Morandiere, Financial Analyst
H. Thirkill – recording secretary

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion: J.Hunda/F.Cinotti

That the agenda for the Audit Committee meeting of December 8, 2016 be approved. - **carried**

2. **Preliminary Declarations of Pecuniary Interest** - NIL

3. **Previous Minutes**

Motion: F.Cinotti/J.Hunda

That the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting of September 27, 2016 be approved. – **carried**

4. **2016/2017 Internal Audit Plan and the Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan - revised**

RIAM Dodge made reference to the Multi-Year Internal Audit Report that was included in the backup and advised that the Special Education audit

has been deferred until 2017/2018 and will be replaced by an audit of custodial services.

Motion: J.Hunda/F.Cinotti

That the 2016/2017 Internal Audit Plan and the Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan as revised be recommended to the Board for approval. – **carried**

5. **2016: SB31 Update on Regional Internal Audit Consistency Measures**

RIAM Dodge reviewed the memorandum that was included in the backup.

6. **Regional Internal Audit Mandate**

RIAM Dodge reviewed the report that was included in the backup. Dodge noted that revisions have been made to reflect updates and ensure consistencies throughout the province.

This signed document will be posted on the board's website.

7. **2015/2016 Financial Statements**

Motion: F.Cinotti/J.Hunda

That the 2015/2016 Financial Statements be recommended to the Board for approval. – **carried**

8. **2015/2016 Audit Committee Reports**

Motion: F.Cinotti/J.Hunda

That the 2015/2016 Audit Committee Reports be approved. – **carried**

9. **Future Meetings**

March 2017

10. **Adjournment**

Motion: F.Cinotti/J.Hunda

That we now adjourn 5:40 p.m. - **carried**



**Waterloo Region
District School Board**

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OCT 16 2017

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(o) 519 570 0003 (f) 519 742 1364 www.wrdsb.ca

September 15, 2017

Hon. Mitzie Hunter
Minister of Education
Ministry of Education
22nd Floor, Mowat Block
900 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

Dear Minister Hunter,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am writing to share our views regarding the reporting of school-based EQAO results.

At the Waterloo Region District School Board (WRDSB) we value the assessment provided by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). We view the assessment results as key performance indicators that are reflective of both student learning needs as well as the professional learning needs of our educators. This is evident through our use of EQAO results to measure our progress on our operational goal of mathematics (<https://www.wrdsb.ca/learning/2016-19-operational-goals/mathematics>).

At WRDSB we also value learning environments that are reflective of all students, their diverse needs and perspectives. This is reflected through our 2016-2019 Strategic Priorities that include: Our students are first – each and every one, Our staff, families and caregivers are partners in every student's learning journey, and Our culture of innovation builds students' confidence and success as they face the future.

We are concerned that the efforts and learning of all our students are not showcased in school-based reports produced by EQAO. Specifically, we feel that while the reports showcase the scores of *All Students*, it does not prominently highlight the results of *Participating Students*. The reporting of *Participating students* in conjunction with the *All Students* would allow for the public to get a better representation of students' performance on the assessment. We would like to suggest that both results be predominantly featured in all reporting by EQAO.

We appreciate you considering our suggestion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott McMillan'.

Chair
Scott McMillan

Cc: Trustees
Ontario Public School Board Chairs



**Waterloo Region
District School Board**

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September 22, 2017

Hon. Mitzie Hunter
Minister of Education
Ministry of Education
22nd Floor, Mowat Block
900 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A 1L2

Hon. Dr. Eric Hoskins
Minister of Health
Hepburn Block 10th Flr
80 Grosvenor Street
Toronto, ON M7A 2C4

Dear Ministers Hunter and Hoskins:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am writing to share our views in regard to the need for a provincial school protocol and comprehensive strategy to address the Opioid and Fentanyl drug crisis.

The Waterloo Region District School Board of Trustees unanimously approved the following motion at the September 19, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting:

That the Waterloo Region District School Board of Trustees send a letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Health requesting a provincial school protocol around the opioid crisis that would also include a comprehensive strategy and may include providing all Ontario schools with Naloxone, the Fentanyl antidote.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott McMillan'.

Scott McMillan
Board Chairperson

Cc: Trustees
Ontario Public School Board Chairs