RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

held in the boardroom on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Trustees: D. Dewar (Chair), B. Clement, G. Fox, J. Hunda, L. Killens

(via telephone), J. Kosmerly, D. Morrison, G. Santala,

Student Trustee K. Yao

Officials: N. Blaseg – Director

D. Bazinet – Superintendent of Business

B. Bourget, L. Dye, J. Noble, K. Wachnuk - Superintendents N. Charette, H. Thirkill, D. Kitching, media, members of the

public

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

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: 17-R34 D.Morrison/J.Hunda

That the agenda for the Special Board meeting of February 7, 2017 be approved as amended. The amendment being a change to the second motion under **New Sudbury Planning Area** (change from 2019 to 2018) and removal of *subject to Ministry of Education capital funding* in the first motion under **Valley North Planning Area** – **Carried**

B. PRELIMINARY DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST NIL

C. CAPITAL AND ACCOMMODATION PLAN

Director Blaseg and Superintendent Bazinet provided the Final Summary Report, a review of the process that began in January 2016. – **Carried**

1. Central Sudbury Planning Area

Motion: 17-R35, G.Santala/D.Morrison

That Grade 7&8 students (English and French Immersion) from Lansdowne Public School be transferred to Sudbury Secondary School for September 1, 2018. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R36, J.Kosmerly/G.Santala

That a new JK to Grade 6 (English and French Immersion) school be built on the Queen Elizabeth II Public School site to accommodate Lansdowne Public School and Queen Elizabeth II Public School by September 1, 2019, subject to Ministry of Education capital funding. – **Carried**

2. Espanola Planning Area

Motion: 17-R37, B.Clement/D.Morrison

That Webbwood Public School be consolidated into S. Geiger Public School for

September 1, 2017. - Carried

3. New Sudbury Planning Area

Motion: 17-R38, J.Hunda/J.Kosmerly

That a new French Immersion JK-6 school be built on an existing school site in New Sudbury to accommodate students from Carl A. Nesbitt Public School, Ernie Checkeris Public School and Westmount Avenue Public School for September 1, 2019, subject to Ministry of Education capital funding. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R39, G.Santala/J.Kosmerly

That Lasalle Secondary School be revitalized to accommodate Grade 7&8 students from Churchill Public School (English Program) and Carl A. Nesbitt Public School (French Immersion) for September 1, 2018. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R40, B.Clement/G.Santala

That Churchill Public School be revitalized to accommodate JK to Grade 6 students from Churchill Public School and Cyril Varney Public School for September 1, 2019, subject to Ministry of Education capital funding. – **Carried**

4. Valley East Planning Area

Motion: 17-R41, D.Morrison/G.Santala

That Grade 7&8 students from Pinecrest Public School be consolidated into Confederation Secondary School for September 1, 2017. – **Carried**

Trustee Kosmerly requested an amendment to the motion.

Amendment to Motion: J.Kosmerly/D.Morrison

That Grade 7&8 students from Pinecrest Public School be consolidated into Confederation Secondary School for September 1, <u>2018</u>. – **Defeated**

Trustee Killens requested a point of order.

Motion: 17-R42, D.Morrison/J.Kosmerly

That Redwood Acres Public School offer JK to Grade 6 (currently JK-5) for

September 1, 2017. - Carried

5. Valley North Planning Area

Motion: 17-R43, G.Santala/B.Clement

That Chelmsford Valley District Composite School be retrofitted to create a JK to 12 school offering JK to 8 (English and French Immersion) and Grades 9 to 12 (English Program) for September 1, 2018. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R44, J.Kosmerly/J.Hunda

That Chelmsford Public School be consolidated into the Chelmsford Valley District Composite School building for September 1, 2018. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R45, B.Clement/J.Kosmerly

That the French Immersion Program at Levack Public School be discontinued for September 1, 2018 (French Immersion students from Levack Public School will attend the revitalized Chelmsford Valley District Composite School). – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R46, G.Santala/D.Morrison

That Grade 7&8 students from Larchwood Public School be transferred to Chelmsford Valley District Composite School for September 1, 2018. – **Carried**

Motion: 17-R47, G.Santala/J.Kosmerly

That the French Immersion Program for Grades 9 to 12 be phased out at Chelmsford Valley District Composite School beginning September 1, 2017 (no new French Immersion students will be admitted). — **Carried**

Motion: 17-R48, B.Clement/J.Hunda

That the French Immersion boundary for Sudbury Secondary School be extended to accommodate French Immersion students from Chelmsford Valley District Composite School beginning September 1, 2017. – **Carried**

D. Requests for Leave of Absence NIL

Closing remarks by Chair Doreen Dewar:

This evening represents the culmination of many months of data, dialogue, discussion and debate.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank our students, staff, parents and guardians, members of the public and all our partners in education who provided their input.

There was a tremendous level of engagement throughout this important process.

People spoke about their schools with passion and with pride, which was very rewarding to us.

We appreciate your feedback and our students appreciate your support.

In the months ahead, we are committed to ensuring a smooth transition for students as we move towards implementation, recognizing, of course, that some of the recommendations that were approved are contingent on funding from the Ministry of Education.

And this brings our meeting to a close.

E. **ADJOURNMENT**

