## York Catholic District School Board

# MINUTES CORPORATE SERVICES COMMITTEE (Public Session)

A meeting of the regular session of the Corporate Services Committee was held in the Board Room of the Catholic Education Centre, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario, on Wednesday, April 14, 2020, commencing at 6:35 p.m.

PRESENT:

Committee Members: C. Cotton, E. Crowe, J. Ecker, D. Giuliani, M. Iafrate, T. McNicol, M. Marchese,

D. Mazzotta, J. Wigston

Administration: A. Falconi, A. Yeung, J. McLoughlin, T. Pechkovsky, M. Gray, D. Clapham,

N. Jugnundan

Absent with Notice: R. Cantisano, and Student Trustees M. Ho and T. Siby

Recording: K. Errett

Presiding: D. Mazzotta, Committee Chair

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER

D. Mazzotta, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m., led the Committee in the Opening Prayer and recited the York Catholic District School Board Land Acknowledgement.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#### **Motion: Iafrate/Wigston**

**THAT** the revised agenda be approved with further amendments to Item 12g) COVID-19 Update - Technology Distribution, to be a verbal update and to add 12h) Decisions Regarding School Year-End Ceremonies.

#### - MOTION CARRIED -

#### 3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

#### **Motion: Crowe/Iafrate**

THAT the Revised Minutes of the February 12, 2019 Corporate Services Committee meeting be approved as presented.

#### - MOTION CARRIED -

#### 4. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next meeting of the Corporate Services Committee is scheduled for May 13, 2020.

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Nil
- 6. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Nil
- 7. **OUTSIDE PRESENTATION(S):** Nil
- 8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS: Nil
- 9. **ACTION ITEM(S):** Nil

#### 10. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS: Nil

#### 11. **DISCUSSION ITEM(S):** Nil

#### 12. INFORMATION ITEMS:

#### a) Winter Maintenance

J. McLoughlin, Controller of Plant & Accommodation Services, provided information regarding the three options and the advantages/disadvantages that were taken into consideration when developing the RFP for the 2020-2021 winter maintenance program. Staff opted for the "Per Event" model which provides a balance between safety and financial risk. An RFP will be let during the spring in order to procure services at the best price. Staff will provide an updates to Trustees as the tendering process progresses.

## b) Copper Creek LPAT Update

T. Pechkovsky, Coordinating Manager of Planning and Operations, provided an update regarding the Copper Creek development and highlighted that the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) proceedings have been suspended until at least June 30, 2020 due to Covid-19 closure. Further to the report provided in the agenda, there were no questions.

# c) Vaughan Metro Centre Update

T. Pechkovsky, Coordinating Manager of Planning and Operations, provided an update report regarding the status of the Vaughan Metro Centre development. Staff continues to consider new partnerships and alternative built forms for schools in the Vaughan Metro Centre. Trustees will be kept informed of progress that is made. There were no questions for this item.

#### d) Ministry Memorandum Re 2020-2021 Budget Planning Information

A. Yeung, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Board, informed the Committee that no additional information has been received from the Ministry for the 2020-2021 school year following the March 3, 2020 communication regarding 2020-2021 staffing based on a maximum secondary average class size of 23 (down from 28 in 2019-2020). It was noted that the Grants for Student Needs (GSN) communication has not yet been provided.

Further updates will be provided as information becomes available.

#### e) Procurement Activity Report

The Purchasing Bid Activity Report for the period February 13, 2020 – April 7, 2020 was provided for information purposes. There were no exceptions in this reporting period.

## f) Insurance Report - Property Damage

A. Yeung, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of the Board, advised that there was no update on the five property claims currently in progress. All five claims were due to flooding/water damage. Staff is working with OSBIE on status of financial recovery, future updates will be provided.

#### g) COVID-19 Update – Technology Distribution

D. Clapham, Chief Information Officer, provided a verbal report regarding the planning and execution of the distribution of technology to families that took place during the week of April 4-8, 2020, in order to enable students to engage in distance learning that was put in place by the government. IT has worked in consultation with principals to ensure that 2,500 families received devices and that 150 families received iPads (cost to the board) and internet access (free of charge), via a partnership with Apple and Rogers.

Roadblocks regarding supply chain issues continue to be addressed. Trustees thanked D. Clapham and staff for their efforts and noted that YCDSB is far ahead of other Boards on this initiative. Trustee

Cotton suggested that a media release be made to highlight the good news and partnership with Apple and Rogers.

# h) Decisions Regarding School Year-End Ceremonies

A. Falconi, Director of Education, updated the Committee on recent efforts to address the issue of cancelled graduations, Grade 8 year-end trips, hot lunches, etc., that have already been paid. Staff have/continue to consult with schools and students make appropriate arrangements with vendors to defer deposits, cancel/delay events and refund parents.

13. NOTICE(S) OF MOTION: Nil

14. FUTURE ITEM(S): Nil

Adjournment: 7:30 P.M.

On Motion: Iafrate/Crowe and CARRIED