



ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT



**ANGLOPHONE WEST SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRICT EDUCATION COUNCIL
Hanwell Park Academy
Public Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2023**

Council Members Present:

- Candice Browse – Sub-district 3
- Tanya Cloutier – Sub-district 4
- Serena Bradford – Sub-district 5
- Paul MacIntosh – Sub-district 6
- Amgad Salem - Sub-district 7
- Janet Dean – Sub-district 8
- Michael Mazerolle – Sub-district 9
- Chris Harquail – Sub-district 10
- Jim Mills – Sub-district 11
- Wallace Carr – Sub-district 12, Vice Chairperson
- Thomas Geburt – Sub-district 13, Chairperson
- David Perley – First Nations Councillor

Council Member Regrets:

- Tanya Adams – Sub-district 1
- Mark Thompson – Sub-district 2
- Hayden Sparkes – Student Representative

ASD-W District Staff Present:

- David McTimoney, Superintendent
- Dianne Kay, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
- Jay Colpitts, Director of Schools (WEC)
- Tegan Taylor, English Additional Language (EAL) Subject Coordinator
- Carol Clark-Caterini, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent & DEC

Guest:

- R. Leavitt, PSSC Chairperson

Call to Order:

- Thomas Geburt, Chairperson, called the public meeting to order at **6:37 PM**.

Welcome & Comments by the Chairperson:

- Chairperson Geburt, on behalf of the Council, acknowledged that, with the exception of one, the land on which Anglophone West School District schools are located is the traditional unceded and unsundered territory of Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet). This territory is covered by the Treaties of Peace and Friendship which the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet), Mi'kmaq, and Passamaquoddy peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Wolastoqey (Maliseet), Mi'kmaq, and Passamaquoddy title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

Introductions:

- Councillor Geburt acknowledged Councillor Mark Thompson as the newest appointed Councillor in Sub-district 2. Councillor Thompson was sworn-in at the working meeting in January 2023.
- The Superintendent introduced the district office staff in attendance.

Consent Items:

Approval of the Agenda:

- The agenda was previously reviewed by the Council. Public Comments was moved to follow Committee Reports. The Minister's Forum and Innovative Immersion Programme Update have been removed from the agenda.

MOTION:

..... to approve the agenda with the noted revision.

MOVED BY: Tanya Cloutier

SECONDED BY: Michael Mazerolle

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of the Minutes – February 9, 2023:

- The minutes were previously reviewed by the Council and approved by consensus. It was noted that under Nackawic Senior High School (NSHS) Outdoor Basketball Court, the Chairperson had e-mailed the Principal to inform him that the Council had officially approved the new name Calder Court, as requested.
- The month of February is Black History month. Black history was acknowledged on the ASD-W website and throughout schools across the school district. The DEC Chairperson and Superintendent recently attended a presentation at the local art gallery and a lunch/learn was attended by some district staff, both related to diversity and black history.

MOTION:

..... to approve the minutes as distributed.

MOVED BY: Michael Mazerolle

SECONDED BY: Candace Browse

MOTION CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- There was no business arising from the minutes to discuss.

Presentations:

Curriculum & Program Presentation -T. Taylor, EAL Subject Coordinator:

- Subject Coordinator, Tegan Taylor provided the Council with International Student Enrollment data from 2017-2023. The number of new student registrations ranged from 357 in 2020-2021 to 832 so far this school year. An expectation was given that this number will increase to 890 prior to the end of June 2023. It was noted that in the neighbouring district (ASD-E), international student registrations have peaked at 1700 for the 2022-2023 school year. It is expected that this number will also increase in the new school year.
- The Council was informed that approximately 60% of newcomer students needed language support for approximately 3 years. Approximately 5 to 7 years was considered “long-term” support, usually needed for literacy. Older students (age 16 – 21) who are placed in high school, may need to stay until the maximum age of 21 to learn the language. Some of these students attend a pilot programme called “The Bridge” which is an Innovative Language High School Pathway Programme.
- ASD-W international student statistics reflect representation from 83 countries, with 58 languages, 154 AEI students and 325 permanent residents have registered so far this school year.
- Councillor Mills asked if teachers were provided with additional resources and opportunities to assist these new students. Tegan replied that professional learning opportunities were offered during the evenings, through learning modules, and the support of Leads were available to teachers. As well, teachers are encouraged to seek out additional support if available.
- Councillor Perley asked what the tuition fee was for each student.
- Councillor Salem asked if full-time employee (FTE) support was provided for the newcomers students. The Superintendent replied that the FTE has increased and EAL support was also increased by 10 employees.
- Councillor Mills mentioned that the Chipman Elementary School (CES) enrollment had increased by 16 international students. He then asked what the compensation amount host families was received for housing international students.
- It was noted that the age of 21 is the maximum age for students to attend a public school system. Beyond this age, it is the Principal’s discretion for an adult to upgrade a course.

Circle of Understanding – Councillor Perley:

- Councillor Perley shared the *Sacred Circle of Life: Wolastoqiyik*, with those in attendance. The diagram shown was of two circles with the outside circle reflecting all systems that were in place by the Indigenous people. The core circle (knowledge, values, language and ethics) influenced the outer circle. Councillor Perley went on to say that it is the Indigenous teachings that all gifts are from the land and all of creation are teachers. Councillor Perley reflected on the inner circle to be attacked by the residential day schools that then affected the outer circle systems that were in place.
- Respect, living in harmony, sharing of resources, and interdependence is the main focus to living a wholesome life. Councillor Perley shared a story of himself in the 1960’s canoeing and drinking a cup of water from the Wolastoq river that was clear, clean, and safe to drink. Since then, mills and power dams have poisoned this resource and a person would become ill if they drank the water.
- The Circle of Life presentation can be found on the ASD-W website and on the DEC Portal.

Month of Ramadan – Councillor Salem:

- Councillor Salem informed the Council that the month of Ramadan is the 9th month of the Hijri calendar and comes after Shaaban that is followed by Shawwal. The Hijri calendar is based on moon phases and the month length is 29 or 30 days. Ramadan begins 10 to 12 days earlier each year and is the most important season for the Muslim community.
- Children work hard to prepare decorations that are then displayed in the streets. Ramadan lights were made to brighten the streets and are now used as decorations in homes.
- A Ramadan cannon is fired at sunset to declare breakfast time and the commencement of the fasting period. A Mesaharati was explained as a seasonal job that occurs during Ramadan where a person walks the streets banging on a drum to wake the people. Fasting is a unique moral and spiritual characteristic of Islam. The Ramadan day begins very early before dawn and a schedule was provided of the rituals followed throughout the day. Councillor Salem stated that fasting hours vary around the world and pictures of various drinks, food and desserts were shown to Councillors.
- Councillor Harquail asked if both boys and girls followed the same fasting practice. Councillor Salem confirmed that they do and fasting during the Ramadan will wipe your sins clean for 1 year.
- Councillor Salem identified two worship places in the city of Fredericton with another in progress to be built. The book of Quran was made available for those in attendance.

New Business:

Council Self Evaluations: Council Staff Relations ASD-W-CSR1 to ASD-WCSR6

- Councillor Geburt informed Councillors that the Planning Cycle reflects the CSR policies to be reviewed during the month of February. Councillors were asked to review these policies as suggested revisions will be considered during the March 16th working meeting.

Capital Improvements and Major Capital Construction Update:

- The Superintendent showed a list of 2023-24 Capital Projects. This list contains Capital Improvement Projects (those costing less than \$1M for each project such as roof replacement/repair, lighting, emergency doors, etc.), Major Capital Projects (costing more than \$1M such as new school builds), Major Capital Equipment and also the Ventilation Program Projects (there are four for ASD-West in the coming year).
- The Superintendent reminded the Council that a final decision on which projects should move forward will be made at the public meeting in May 2023.
- The EECD Quadruple Bottom Line (QBL) priorities list for 2023-24 was also provided to the Council for review. Six of the 36 projects listed on the QBL are ASD-West projects. The Chairperson added that the priority of the QBL list did not reflect what was listed on the Major Capital Construction lists submitted by the Council. He further explained that projects will eventually move from the QBL lists to the Stable Departmental Infrastructure Priorities List (SDIP) once projects on that list are looked at to move forward provincially. There are four ASD-West projects on the 2022 - 2023 SDIP list with the new McAdam Avenue/ Nashwaaksis Memorial School build as project #1.
- Confirmation was given that a sustainability study was not needed if a new school was built to replace an aging school, such as George Street Middle School.

Minister's Forum:

- The Chairperson informed the Council of the details and meeting date in the private session prior to the public meeting.

Innovative Immersion Programme Update:

- This agenda item was removed from the agenda.

Superintendent Report:

Superintendent Report (1 of 1)-ASD-W-ER2.3: Healthy Living

- The Superintendent presented the report *ASD-W-ER2.3: Healthy Living*, as per the Annual Planning Cycle. This report is presented one time per year and is posted publicly on the ASD-W website and the DEC Portal.
- Councillor Carr stated current data in Appendix A reflected improvements from the past couple of years.
- Councillor Mills asked if there was data on the amount of sleep students get and if so, would this show how this affects mental health. The Superintendent responded that this data was provided in an earlier report that he had given.
- Councillor Salem inquired about healthy eating in schools. The Superintendent responded that schools no longer have non-nutritional vending machines, and cafeterias follow a healthy foods guideline.
- Councillor Perley inquired if the question about culture and family traditions were meant to be at school. The Superintendent confirmed that this question was meant for the practices at home.
- The Superintendent acknowledged that this report was in compliance of the Councils expectations.

Correspondence:

- There was no correspondence to review.

Committee Reports:

Council of Student Leaders – Councillor Sparkes:

- Councillor Sparkes was not in attendance tonight to provide a report. Chairperson Geburt suggested that the upcoming Student Council of Leaders meeting on 14-15 March, a presentation on Changes to High School Programming should be considered for their agenda.

Public Comments:

- There were no public comments.

Closing Comments:

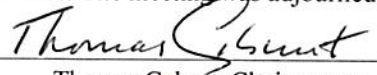
- Chairperson Geburt reminded everyone to review Policies ASD-W-CSR1 to ASD-W-CSR6 prior to the working meeting on March 16th. This meeting will also include a school tour of Oromocto High School. As well, the March public meeting will be held at the Oromocto Education Centre.
- Jay Colpitts, Director of Schools (WEC) shared that students from eight ASD-W schools had an exciting weekend participating in the A, AA, and AAA provincial basketball championships at TD Station in Saint John. Chairperson Geburt recognized Jay Colpitts for recently receiving the Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Award. It was also noted that Councillor Bradford had recently also been awarded the Queens Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal.
- Chairperson Geburt thanked everyone for attending tonight’s public DEC meeting.

Appendices:

Quadruple Bottom Line (QBL) 2023-2024
Stable Departmental Infrastructure Priorities (SDIP) 2022-2023

Date of Next Public Meeting: Thursday, March 30, 2023 Oromocto Education Centre, 17 Miramichi Road, Oromocto

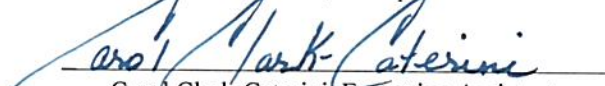
Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at **8:52 PM.**



 Thomas Geburt, Chairperson

30 March 2023

 Date



 Carol Clark-Caterini, Executive Assistant
 to the Superintendent & DEC

March 30, 2023

 Date

EECD 2023-2024 QBL RESULTS
MEDPE RÉSULTATS AMQB 2023-2024



Rank / Rang	School District / District scolaire	Project Name / Nom du projet	Community / Communauté	Project Type / Type de projet
Tier 1	ASD-E	Shediac K-12	Shediac	Replacement / Remplacement
2	ASD-N	Bonar Law Mid-life	Rexton	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
3	ASD-W	Oromocto K-8 Rationalization	Oromocto	Rationalization / Rationalization
4	ASD-E	Riverview High Mid-life	Riverview	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
5	ASD-W	OHS Mid-life	Oromocto	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
6	DSF-S	Amirault mi-vie	Dieppe	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
7	DSF-NO	École Regionale Ste-Anne	Sainte-Anne-de-Madawaska	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
8	ASD-W	Devon Middle Replacement	Fredericton	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
9	ASD-S	Saint John High Mid-life	Saint John	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
10	DSF-S	École Carrefour Beausoleil mi-vie et ajout	Miramichi	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
11	DSF-S	Samuel-de-Champlain mi-vie et ajout	Saint-Jean	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
12	ASD-W	Minto/Chipman Assessment	Minto/Chipman	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
13	DSF-NE	ESN mi-vie	Bathurst	Rationalization / Rationalization
14	DSF-NE	Polyvalente Louis Mailloux mi-vie	Caraquet	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
15	ASD-W	Woodstock High Mid-life	Woodstock	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
16	DSF-NO	CDJAMS mi-vie	Edmunston	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
17	DSF-NE	Marie-Esther mi-vie	Shippagan	Replacement / Remplacement
18	ASD-E	Mountain View Replacement	Irishtown	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
19	DSF-NO	PAJS Mi-vie	Saint-Quentin	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
20	DSF-NO	Saint-Jacques mi-vie	Saint-Jacques	Addition / Ajout
21	ASD-W	Leo Hayes Shop Addition	Fredericton	Replacement / Remplacement
22	ASD-N	JMH Mid-life	Miramichi	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
23	ASD-N	Sugarloaf High Mid-life	Campbellton	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
24	ASD-S	Princess Elizabeth mid-life	Saint John	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
25	DSF-S	MFR mi-vie	St. Louis de Kent	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
26	ASD-S	MG Teed K-5	Saint John	Replacement / Remplacement
27	ASD-E	Tantramar Mid-life	Sackville	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
28	ASD-E	Marshview Salem Rationalization	Sackville	Rationalization / Rationalization
29	DSF-S	Nouvelle École du Grand Moncton	Moncton	New schools / Nouvelle école
30	DSF-NO	Haut-Madawaska mi-vie	Clair	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
31	DSF-NO	Notre Dame remplacement	Edmunston	Replacement / Remplacement
32	DSF-NO	Mgr-Martin mi-vie	Saint Quentin	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
33	ASD-E	Riverview East Addition	Riverview	Addition / Ajout
34	DSF-NE	Marguerite Bourgeoys	Caraquet	Addition / Ajout
35	ASD-E	New Moncton Metro High	Moncton	New schools / Nouvelle école
36	ASD-N	King Street Elementary Addition	Miramichi	Addition / Ajout

EECD: 2022-2023 Stable Departmental Infrastructure Priorities List**MEDPE: Liste stable des priorités en matière d'infrastructure départementale 2022-2023**

School District / District scolaire	Project Name / Nom du projet	Project Type / Type de projet
ASD-W	Nashwaaksis/McAdam Ave Schools	Rationalization / Rationalization
ASD-S	Saint John Central Peninsula	Rationalization / Rationalization
ASD-N	New Campbellton K-8	Rationalization / Rationalization
ASD-S	Hazen White St. Francis & Centennial Schools	Rationalization / Rationalization
ASD-W	Carleton Area K-8	Rationalization / Rationalization
DSF-S	Saint-Henri	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
ASD-W	George Street	Replacement / Remplacement
ASD-E	New Salisbury Elementary	Replacement / Remplacement
DSF-NE	W.-Arthur-Losier	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
ASD-W	Forest Hill / Liverpool St. Schools	Rationalization / Rationalization
DSF-S	Abbey Landry	Addition / Ajout
DSF-S	Louis J. Robichaud	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
ASD-S	Grand Bay Rationalization	Rationalization / Rationalization
ASD-E	Forest Glen/Sunny Brae	Rationalization / Rationalization
DSF-S	Mathieu-Martin mi-vie et ajout	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie
DSF-S	Ecole Sainte-Anne mi-vie et ajout	Mid-life upgrade / Projet mi-vie