



**HALIFAX REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
June 4, 2014  
6:00 p.m.**

A Special Board Meeting was held this date in the Board Chambers,  
33 Spectacle Lake Drive, Dartmouth, NS.

**PRESENT:**

Gin Yee	Steve Warburton
Nancy Jakeman	Cindy Littlefair
Dave Wright	Christy Linders
Sheryl Blumenthal-Harrison	Bridget Ann Boutilier

Denise Bell, Regional Education Officer  
Chris Abraham, Student Advisor

**REGRETS:**

Tristan Maxwell, Student Advisor  
Melinda Daye  
Kirk Arsenault

**STAFF:**

Elwin LeRoux, Superintendent  
Gary Adams, Senior Staff Advisor  
Selena Henderson, Corporate Secretary  
Terri Thompson, Director, Financial Services  
Doug Hadley, Coordinator, Communications  
Danielle McNeil-Hessian, Director, School Administration  
Tracy O’Kroneg, Acting-Director, Human Resource Services  
Ron Heiman, Director, Operations Services  
Alison Leverman, Director, Program  
Tracey Jones-Grant, Coordinator, Diversity Management  
Gerard Costard, Coordinator, Information Technology  
Susan Tomie, Coordinator, School Administration  
Vicki Palmeter, Assistant to the Corporate Secretary

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**It was moved and seconded (Blumenthal-Harrison/Boutilier) that the agenda be approved.**

**(CARRIED)**

**3. ITEMS FOR DECISION**

3.1 Report #14-05-1471 - 2014-2015 Business Plan & Budget - Terri Thompson, Director, Financial Services

**1. It was moved and second (Jakeman/Linders) that the Governing Board approve the wage rate adjustments for casual staff, lunch supervision staff, door monitors, and EXCEL program staff as included in the 2014-2015 Budget, effective August 1, 2014.**

**(CARRIED)**

**2. It was moved and second (Blumenthal-Harrison/Jakeman) that the Governing Board approve the stipend increase for Board members, as outlined in the June 2012 report, *School Board Member Stipends 2012-2016 – A Report to the Minister of Education and the Nova Scotia School Boards Association*, with an effective date of November 1, 2014.**

**(CARRIED)**

**3. It was moved and second (Blumenthal-Harrison/Boutilier) that the Governing Board approve the 2014-2015 General Fund Business Plan and Budget as presented, with a spending authority of \$433,595,600.**

**(CARRIED)**

**4. It was moved and second (Linders/Blumenthal-Harrison) that the Governing Board approve the 2014-2015 Supplementary Fund budget as presented, with a spending authority of \$16,501,200.**

**(CARRIED)**

3.2 Chair Gin Yee's Motion:

That the Halifax Regional School Board award each of the 2013-14 Student Advisors a \$1,000 bursary to be used towards their education.

**It was moved and second (Yee/Linders) that the Governing Board award each of the 2013-14 Student Advisors a \$1,000 bursary to be used towards their education.**

**(CARRIED)**

3.3 Board Member Cindy Littlefair's Motion:

That the Halifax Regional School Board endorse the Nova Scotia School Boards Association's *Discussion Paper - Shaping a New Vision for Public Education in Nova Scotia*.

**It was moved and second (Littlefair/Wright) that the Governing Board endorse the Nova Scotia School Boards Association's *Discussion Paper - Shaping a New Vision for Public Education in Nova Scotia*.**

**(CARRIED)**

**4. POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW COMMITTEE**

4.1 Report #14-05-1472 – School Based Funds Policy - Terri Thompson, Director, Financial Services, and Selena Henderson, Corporate Secretary

**It was moved and second (Warburton/Jakeman) that the Governing Board approve Report #14-05-1472 –School Based Funds Policy.**

**(CARRIED)**

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

5.1 Report #14-05-1474 - Diversity Management Report – Tracey Jones-Grant, Coordinator, Diversity Management

**Tracey Jones-Grant, Coordinator, Diversity Management, presented the report and answered questions from the Governing Board.**

**6. IN-CAMERA**

**It was moved and seconded (Blumenthal-Harrison/Boutilier) to move in-camera.**

**(CARRIED)**

**It was moved and seconded (Blumenthal-Harrison/Boutilier) to move out of in-camera.**

**(CARRIED)**

**It was moved and seconded (Blumenthal-Harrison/Littlefair) to approve the motions made in-camera.**

**(CARRIED)**

6.1 Signing Authority

6.2 Contract Award – Ron Heiman, Director, Operations Services

**7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Board Meeting – June 25, 2014

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**It was moved and seconded (Linders/Jakeman) to adjourn.**

**(CARRIED)**

**Meeting was adjourned by the Board at 9:01 pm.**

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Gin Yee  
Chair  
Halifax Regional School Board

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Selena Henderson  
Corporate Secretary

Prepared by Vicki Palmeter  
Assistant to the Corporate Secretary

APPROVED