

Planning and Priorities Committee Report No. 15

PPC:016A Wednesday, June 23, 2021 Electronic Meeting

Members Present

Trustees Alexander Brown (Chair), Michelle Aarts, Rachel Chernos Lin, Stephanie Donaldson, Trixie Doyle, Harpreet Gill, Parthi Kandavel, Shelley Laskin, James Li, Alexandra Lulka, Dan MacLean, Christopher Mammoliti, Chris Moise, Patrick Nunziata, Zakir Patel, Robin Pilkey, Yalini Rajakulasingam, David Smith, Anu Sriskandarajah, Jennifer Story, Chris Tonks, Manna Wong and Indigenous Student Trustee Isaiah Shafqat.

Trustees participated by electronic means in accordance with amendments to Section 7 of Ontario Regulations 463/97, Electronic Meetings

PART A: Committee Recommendations

1. 2021-22 Toronto Lands Corporation Annual Plan

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 1) presenting its annual plan for 2021-22.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the 2021-22 Toronto Lands Corporation Annual Plan, as presented in the report, be approved.

2. 2021-22 Toronto Lands Corporation Budget

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 23) presenting its budget for 2021-22.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the 2021-22 Toronto Lands Corporation budget, as presented in the report, be approved.

Carried

3. TLC: Metrolinx: Eglinton LRT License Renewal re Leaside High School

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 29) presenting information on a license agreement with Metrolinx, required for a previous 29-month occupation.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

- (a) That the Toronto Lands Corporation be authorized to enter into a license agreement with Metrolinx for the occupation of a portion of TDSB property located at 200 Hanna Road, Leaside High School, for the purpose of temporary equipment storage and construction staging for the Metrolinx Eglinton LRT project for a term commencing on November 1, 2018 to March 31, 2021;
- (b) That the agreement be in a form and content satisfactory to the TLC's legal counsel.

4. TLC: Bloor Dufferin Redevelopment: Final Project Summary

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 33) presenting information on the Bloor Dufferin redevelopment project.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the report be received.

Carried

5. TLC: Parkside Public School and Stan Wadlow Park Shared-Use Agreement With City of Toronto

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 45) presenting information on a shared-use agreement with the City of Toronto to alleviate future parking shortages for attendees of Stan Wadlow Park and East York Memorial Arena.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

- (a) That the Toronto Lands Corporation be granted authority to enter into a shared-use agreement with the City of Toronto for the use of the Parkside Public School parking lot, located at 401 Cedarvale Avenue, in exchange for the TDSB's exclusive use of a portion of Stan Wadlow Park, located at 373 Cedarvale Avenue, for a term of ten years, with an option to extend for five years, with key business terms and conditions, as presented in the report;
- (b) That the agreement be in a form and content satisfactory to the TLC's Legal Counsel.

6. TLC: Community Access Agreement: Davisville Junior Public School, 43 Millwood Road

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 53) presenting information on a community access agreement with the City of Toronto for funded enhancements to the schoolyard at Davisville Junior Public School, under Section 37 of the *Planning Act*.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee Maclean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

- (a) That funding in the amount of \$85,000 from the City of Toronto to fund costs associated with site improvements at Davisville Junior Public School, as presented in the report, be accepted;
- (b) That the Toronto Lands Corporation be authorized to execute a community access agreement with the City of Toronto for a term of ten years commencing on or about August 1, 2021 with key business terms and conditions as presented in the report;
- (c) That the community access agreement be in a form and content satisfactory to the TLC's Legal Counsel.

Carried

7. TLC: Ryerson Community School: Option Agreement With Noventa Energy Partners

The Committee considered a report from the Toronto Lands Corporation (see PPC:016A, page 61) presenting information on an option agreement with Noventa Energy Partners.

Moved by: Trustee Pilkey

Seconded by: Trustee MacLean

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

(a) That the Toronto Lands Corporation be authorized, on behalf of the Toronto District School Board, to enter into an option agreement, with Noventa Energy Partners Inc. granting them an option to acquire an easement at Ryerson Community School, 96 Denison Avenue, over a sub-surface area of approximately 0.26 acres (11,500 square feet) including a surface area of approximately 0.01 acres (500

square feet) for the purpose of a wastewater energy transfer facility serving the Toronto Western Hospital;

- (b) That the option at Part (a) remain exercisable within 21 years of granting approval and include a payment to the TDSB, for the benefit of Ryerson Community School, in the amount of \$100,000, and on the terms and conditions, as presented in the report;
- (c) That the option agreement be in a form and content satisfactory to the TLC's legal counsel.

Carried

8. Lease Opportunity: 240 Eglinton Avenue East [4132]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see PPC:016A, page 67) presenting information on the opportunity to lease 240 Eglinton Avenue East.

Moved by: Trustee Mammoliti **Seconded by:** Trustee Nunziata

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the potential lease opportunity at 240 Eglinton Avenue East not be executed.

Carried

9. COVID-19 Pandemic Recovery Plan [4133]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see PPC:016A, page 73) presenting an update on the COVID-19 pandemic recovery plan.

Moved by: Trustee MacLean Seconded by: Trustee Mammoliti

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that the report be received.

10. Yonge-Eglinton Phase 2 Program Area Review for Eglinton Junior Public School, John Fisher Junior Public School, and the Bannockburn Building (12 Bannockburn Avenue) [4127]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see PPC:016A, page 151) presenting information on Phase 2 of the Yonge-Eglinton Program Area Review to address the pressures in the Yonge-Eglinton area that involved using John Fisher Junior Public School to accommodate students from Eglinton Junior Public School and the Bannockburn building to accommodate students from John Fisher Junior Public School.

Moved by: Trustee Laskin

Seconded by: Trustee Mammoliti

The Planning and Priorities Committee RECOMMENDS:

- (a) That John Fisher Junior Public School become a dual-track school, beginning with Junior Kindergarten in the English program, and expanding by one grade per year up to and including Grade 5, effective September 1, 2022;
- (b) That the portion of Eglinton Junior Public School's existing junior attendance area north of Broadway Avenue, including the north side of Broadway Avenue, be assigned to John Fisher Junior Public School, beginning with Junior Kindergarten, and expanding by one grade per year up to and including Grade 5, effective September 1, 2022;
- (c) That new students included in Part (b) above with an older sibling attending Eglinton Junior Public School, in the same year that the younger sibling enters the school, be allowed to attend Eglinton Junior Public School until they graduate;
- (d) That the Bannockburn building be re-opened as Bannockburn Public School effective September 1, 2023, initially as a Junior Kindergarten to Grade 3 French Immersion centre, and expanding by one grade per year up to and including Grade 6 in September 2026;
- (e) That Senior Kindergarten to Grade 3 French Immersion students at John Fisher Junior Public School residing within the Bedford Park Public School/Blythwood Junior Public School shared attendance area, Bedford Park Public School attendance area, and John Wanless Junior Public School attendance area be redirected to Bannockburn, effective September 1, 2023;

(f) That Senior Kindergarten to Grade 3 students with an older sibling in Grades 4 to 6 attending John Fisher Junior Public School in September 2023 be allowed to remain at John Fisher Junior Public School until they graduate;

- (g) That the John Fisher Junior Public School Special Central Placement Process, approved by the Board of Trustees in March 2017 to relocate students wishing to withdraw from the French Immersion program at John Fisher Junior Public School in light of construction at 18-30 Erskine Avenue, be ended effective September 1, 2022;
- (h) That the reversal of residential development redirections in Eglinton Junior Public School's and John Fisher Junior Public School's proposed attendance areas be considered in 2024-25, pending a review of accommodation pressures and space availability at the two schools.

Carried

Program Area Review for Alternative Scarborough Education 1 (ASE 1), St Andrews Public School and Willow Park Junior Public School [4131]

The Committee considered a report from staff (see PPC:016A, page 197) presenting information on a Program Area Review for the relocation of Alternative Scarborough Education 1 (ASE 1) from St. Andrews Public School to Willow Park Junior Public School.

Moved by: Trustee Laskin Seconded by: Trustee Moise

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS** that Alternative Scarborough Education 1 (ASE 1) be relocated to Willow Park Junior Public School as of September 1, 2022.

12. Return to Semesters (Trustees Chernos Lin and Doyle)

Moved by: Trustee Chernos Lin Seconded by: Trustee Doyle

The Planning and Priorities Committee **RECOMMENDS**:

Whereas, the quadmester model has been a practical model used during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure student safety through limited cohorting to allow high school students return to school in-person during the 2020-2021 school year; and

Whereas, we have heard from students, parents and staff about concerns around the quadmester model creating excessive stress, compressed learning opportunities, and extreme challenges in keeping up should students need to miss school; and

Whereas, the modified semester timetable is an improvement on the quadmester timetable, the modified semester not only still presents barriers to continuous learning and curriculum retention, but also provides significant challenges in meeting the needs of our special education students; and

Whereas, vaccines are now widely available to staff and high school students, and uptake appears to be strong with vaccine rollout progressing well;

Therefore, be it resolved:

That the Chair write a letter to the Minister of Education indicating:

- that if by mid-summer vaccination rates are strong and case counts low, that every consideration be given to moving to a traditional semester model;
- ii. that such decision be provided to Boards by August 2021 so that schools would be able to organize to safely receive students in this model in a timely manner.

PART B: Information Only

13. Call to Order and Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands

A meeting of the Planning and Priorities Committee was convened electronically on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 from 4:32 p.m. to 11:50 p.m. with Alexander Brown presiding.

14. Approval of the Agenda

On motion of Trustee Rajakulasingam seconded by Trustee Nunziata, the agenda was approved.

15. Declarations of Possible Conflict of Interest

No matters to report

16. Delegations

re Yonge-Eglinton Phase 2 Program Area Review for Eglinton Junior Public School, John Fisher Junior Public School, and the Bannockburn Building (12 Bannockburn Avenue) [4127]

- 1. Lynne LeBlanc, FSLCAC Representative
- 2. Julian Heller, Community Member, Past FSLCAC Chair
- 3. Raewyn Seaberg, Chair, Bannockburn Montessori Board of Directors
- 4. Naio Martin, Student, Bannockburn School
- 5. Kevin Ackhurst, Parent, Bannockburn School
- 6. Meg Kahnert, Head of School, Bannockburn School
- 7. Patricia Whitney, Parent, Bannockburn School
- 8. Dawn Edmonds, Parent, Eglinton Junior Public School
- 9. Honor Ireland, Bannockburn School
- 10. Mathew Feaver, Parent, Bannockburn School

17. Report From Trustees Appointed to the Ontario Public School Boards' Association

The Committee heard an oral update from Trustee Donaldson on the activities of the Ontario Public School Boards' Association, including the following:

- OPSBA's 2021 Annual General Meeting was held on June 12, 2021 with keynote speaker Kike Ojo-Thompson.

- Regional Council Elections were held at the AGM and both Trustee Shelley Laskin and Trustee Michelle Aarts were re-elected to the Policy Development Work Group and Education Program Work Group, respectively.

- Trustee Stephanie Donaldson remains as Vice-President, Enrolment on the Executive Council.
- Upcoming key dates include:
 - August 23 Executive Council Meeting
 - September 24-25 Board of Directors Meeting
 - November 3 Fall Regional Council

18. Extension of the Meeting

At appropriate times during the meeting, the Ending Time procedure was applied and the meeting was extended.

19. Adjournment

On motion of Trustee Pilkey, seconded by Trustee Patel, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

PART C: Ongoing Matters

20. Postponed Matters

The Committee postponed consideration of the following matters until the fall 2021:

- Caring and Safe Schools: Annual Report 2019-2020 [4134]
- Indigenous Land-Based Learning [4135]
- Administrative Site Review: Update [4136]

Submitted by: Alexander Brown, Committee Chair