



FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
February 5, 2020 – 11:30am
NLESD Headquarters
95 Elizabeth Avenue, St. John's, NL (Skype)

1. Call to Order

A meeting of the Finance and Operations Committee of the Newfoundland and Labrador English School Board was called to order at 11:31a.m. on Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

Members Present: Steve Tessier, Chair
Tom Kendell, Committee Member
Wayne Lee, Committee Member
Winston Carter, Committee Member
John George, Committee Member

NLESD Staff Present: Terry Hall, CFO/ADE – Corporate Services
Tony Stack, CEO/Director of Education
Jim Sinnott, Director of Facilities and Custodial Management
Susan Clarke, Administrative Assistant (Corporate Services)

Regrets: Goronwy Price, Board Chair
Peter Whittle, Committee Member
Jennifer Aspell, Committee Member

2. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by John George, seconded by Tom Kendell that the agenda be adopted as presented. *Carried.*

3. Approval of Minutes – November 28, 2019

It was moved by Winston Carter, seconded by John George that the minutes of November 28, 2019 be adopted as presented. *Carried.*

4. New Business (Motion)

4.1 Capital Priorities List

Tabled by Terry Hall, CFO/ADE – Corporate Services.

The District staff recommendation for Capital Projects 2020-2021 which was submitted to the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador for the 2020

budget, was presented to the Committee. The list is a carry-over from the last approved list (2018) with some adjusted priorities.

The list is considered, by management, to be an accurate and complete assessment of the District's Capital Priorities.

Motion:

Moved by Steve Tessier, seconded by Tom Kendell that the Finance and Operations Committee recommend to the Board, approval of the Capital Priorities List as tabled at the February 5, 2020 meeting of the Finance and Operations Committee of the Board, with leave for District management to make modifications as required in consultation with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. *Carried.*

4.2 Property Transfer Request – Town of Milltown/Head of Bay D’Espoir

Tabled by Terry Hall, CFO/ADE – Corporate Services.

In January 2017, the Gym and primary wing of Bay D’Espoir Academy was destroyed by fire with the high school wing sustaining smoke damage but otherwise remaining intact. The location for the construction of a replacement school is St. Alban’s.

The District received a letter from the Town council of Milltown/Head of Bay D’Espoir requesting the land be transferred to the Town for future development. The Town indicated it is willing to accept the transfer including the high school portion of the school that remains on the property.

The District prefers to work with municipalities and/or community groups where possible to allow properties to stay under control of and be used by the community.

District records indicate that there is no denominational interest in this property and recommends that the Finance and Operations committee take this request under consideration.

Motion:

Moved by John George, seconded by Winston Carter that the Finance and Operations Committee recommend to the Board, approval to move forward with a process to transfer the land and remaining structure of the former Bay D’Espoir Academy to the council of the Town of Milltown/Head of Bay D’Espoir as requested, subject to Ministerial approval. *Carried.*

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Tom Kendell at 11:57a.m. *Carried.*