

Continuation of the Board Meeting, 14 June 2011

Boardroom News Brief

Ottawa-Carleton District School Board

(This news brief is meant to provide the highlights of the decisions made at the Board meeting for the benefit of our community; the notes do not serve as the official record of the meeting (See Board or Committee minutes).

Unfinished Business, Time Sensitive from 14 June 2011 Board Meeting

Flexibility in Allocating the 4 Additional Junior LD and 2 Specialized DD Classes

This motion failed.

Staff be authorized to use the funds allocated for the additional 4 specialized Junior Learning Disability classes in the 2011-2012 budget; and the funds be allocated for one specialized Developmentally Disabled class with no students in a flexible way to create such specialized classes or programs as may be most beneficial to meet current needs for service to students who cannot be appropriately accommodated in existing programs, whether for Learning Disabled, Developmentally Disabled, Autistic, or other high-needs students in elementary schools.

To Amend Previously Adopted Motion to Change the Nature of Specialized Class at Cedarview Middle School

The Board amended the motion adopted on 22 February 2011 to insert “except for a change in designation of the Developmentally Delayed class at Cedarview Middle School to an Autism class” into paragraph C as follows:

THAT no planned specialized class closures/relocations proceed for the 2011-2012 school year, except for a change in designation of the Developmentally Delayed class at Cedarview Middle School to an Autism class and staff recommendations for specialized class location changes for 2012-2013 must follow Board receipt of the final report of the Ad-hoc Committee.

The Director of Education said, that the passing of this motion is necessary to meet the needs of the students who attend this school. Cedarview Middle School does not have a demand for a Developmentally Delayed Class but an Autism class is needed to meet the needs of the present student body.

Ottawa Student Transportation Authority(OSTA)

The Chair of the Board will write a letter to the Ottawa Student Transportation Authority and request that any in-camera information that is not related to human resources issues submitted to the OSTA Board of Directors be released to the OCDSB at the same time; and that OSTA adopt the same in-camera rules as school boards