



Minutes

**Municipality of Thames Centre
Local School Advisory Committee**

**September 18, 2024, 3:00 P.M.
Municipal Office - Council Chambers
4305 Hamilton Road, Dorchester, ON**

- Members Present: S. McMillan, Vice-Chair/Council Representative
K. Hallman, Community Representative
G. Armstrong, Community Representative
K. Brown, Community Representative
K. Empey, Community Representative
N. Delorey, Community Representative
- Members Absent: M. Smibert, Chair/Council Representative
S. Taylor, Community Representative
- Staff Present: D. Barrick, Chief Administrative Officer
A. Storrey, Interim Director of Planning and Development Services
S. Henshaw, Recording Secretary
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1. Call To Order

Vice-Chair McMillan called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Approve Agenda

Resolution # LSAC-007-24

Moved by: K. Empey

Seconded by: G. Armstrong

THAT the September 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda of the Local School Advisory Committee **BE APPROVED** as circulated.

Carried.

3. Disclosure Of Pecuniary Interest

No pecuniary interests were disclosed.

4. Previous Minutes

Resolution # LSAC-008-24

Moved by: G. Armstrong

Seconded by: K. Empey

THAT the minutes of the Local School Advisory Committee meeting held on June 19, 2024 **BE RECEIVED.**

Carried.

5. Presentations/Delegations

5.1 Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) - Updates

A. Morell, Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) Trustee, Middlesex County, was in attendance to provide a verbal report.

A. Morell is not speaking on behalf of, nor does she represent the Thames Valley District School Board. Her opinions are her own as an elected Trustee in Middlesex County, and not necessarily that of the Board.

A. Morell advised that a capital funding application was submitted to the Ministry of Education for West Nissouri Public School in Thorndale and provided additional information about the application process and other local submissions.

More information can be found here:

<https://www.tvdsb.ca/Modules/News/index.aspx?newsId=0ae805fc-23aa-4fd5-9c8a-055cef27a5fc>

There was discussion regarding overcrowding in schools and the factors in determining a new school or addition.

A. Morell advised that a municipal letter of support may assist with capital funding applications. A. Storrey, Interim Director of Planning and Development Services confirmed that a municipal letter of support has been sent out for the West Nissouri Public School capital funding application. There was discussion regarding advocacy with Hon. Rob Flack, MPP for Elgin-Middlesex-London, to discuss the importance of an addition to West Nissouri Public School.

The Committee discussed the recent announcement of TVDSB's Director of Education Mark Fisher's leave of absence.

There was discussion regarding the format of TVDSB's budget and previous budgets, as well as the Ministry of Education's management audit currently taking place on TVDSB.

6. Reports of Staff

No items.

7. Committee Business

No items.

8. Correspondence

No items.

9. Unfinished Business

No items.

10. New Business

No items.

11. Scheduling of Meetings

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss it was:

Resolution # LSAC-009-24

Moved by: N. Delorey

Seconded by: K. Brown

THAT the meeting adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Carried.