

## Memorandum

To: Board of Trustees

From: Tracy Barill, Director of Education

Date: February 26, 2024

Subject: Order Paper: Resolutions Approved for Implementation

Please find attached a copy of the Order Paper: Resolutions Approved for Implementation.

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Attachment: Order Paper



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"Whereas, since the 1960s until 2014, the bussing of the majority of high school students to and from Durham schools was handled efficiently by the municipal transit agencies through the use of bus tickets/passes; the municipal operators were Ajax-Pickering Transit, Whitby Transit, Oshawa Transit and Clarington Transit, later amalgamated into Durham Region Transit (DRT) in 2006;	Jan. 22/24	Ad hoc Committee		
Whereas, in 2014, Durham Region Transit raised the cost of the monthly bus pass significantly and the school boards assumed responsibility for transporting eligible high school students on yellow school buses through its consortium Durham Student Transportation Services (DSTS);				
Whereas, for the last few years, pre- and post-pandemic, school bus operators across Ontario have had difficulty finding and retaining a sufficient number of school bus drivers;				
Whereas many transit agencies in the province (Toronto, York Region, Ottawa, Kingston) have a high percentage of high school students using public transit to travel to and from school, and more boards and transit agencies are considering similar arrangements;				
Whereas DSTS continues to maximize the efficiency of its system using the resources it has, in the fall of 2021, Durham District School Board (DDSB) and Durham Catholic District School Board (DCDSB) sought an expanded relationship between DRT and DSTS. A public delegation was made to the Transit Executive Committee of Durham Region on December 8, 2021, with the intention of explaining the benefits of transit passes for high school students; negotiating a lower				

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rate for DRT passes currently purchased by DSTS; and a strategy to have more high school students given monthly DRT transit passes;				
Appendix A. DCDSB presentation at a Virtual Public Meeting by Morgan Ste. Marie, Chair (pages 1-6 focused on current DRT passes) and Declan Amaral, Student Trustee (pages 7-13, benefits of public transit, student perspective).				
Appendix B. DDSB presentation transcript by Carolyn Morton, Chair, (focused on expanded use of public transit for high school students);				
Whereas, in the months after this delegation, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed by the Region, the Boards and DSTS that "establishes shared principles to guide on-going collaboration" and this MOU was made public on June 8, 2022;				
Whereas, the Durham Region Transit Service Strategy 2022-2025 references identified opportunities to increase the percent of high school students using transit from 9% to 42%;				
Be it resolved that an ad hoc committee of Staff and no less than 3 Trustees be created to lay out an engagement strategy that advances the shared principles of the Memorandum of Understanding, including "enhancing the use of public transit by youth, including secondary school students, within a fiscally responsible framework" with our transportation partners, transit agencies and other levels of government.				