



NIAGARA CATHOLIC
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 2010

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, March 30, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Father Kenneth Burns csc Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Scalzi.

2. Roll Call

Trustee	Present	Absent	Excused
John Belcastro	✓		
Kathy Burtnik	✓		
Maurice Charbonneau	✓		
Gary Crole	✓		
John Dekker	✓		
Frank Fera	✓		
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓		
Tony Scalzi	✓		
Student Trustees			
Juliana Ciccarelli	✓		
Megan Grocholsky	✓		

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Rob Ciarlo**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, Superintendents of Education; **Larry Reich**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **James Woods**, Controller of Plant; **Jennifer Brailey**, Manager of Corporate Services & Communications; **Sherry Morena**, Recording Secretary/ Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of March 30, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Disclosure of Interest

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the agenda.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meetings

5.1 February 23, 2010

Moved by Trustee Belcastro
Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 23, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED

5.1 March 9, 2010

Moved by Trustee Belcastro
Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 9, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED

B. DELEGATIONS

**1. Youth Citizen of the Year Recipient - Port Colborne-Wainfleet Chamber of Commerce
Kaitlin Saxton, Lakeshore Catholic High School**

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education, presented information on the Youth Citizen of the Year Recipient - Port Colborne-Wainfleet Chamber of Commerce, which was awarded to Kaitlin Saxton, student of Lakeshore Catholic High School for her accomplishments and community involvement.

Dan DiLorenzo, Principal of Lakeshore Catholic High School, welcomed Kaitlin Saxton, and highlighted her many accomplishments and her dedication to the community. Kaitlin spoke briefly of her involvement in various school clubs, activities and community service.

Chairperson Burtnik, congratulated Kaitlin and asked Trustee Dekker to present her with the Niagara Catholic "Excellence in Academics" Pin.

2. Presentation of Plaque by St. Catharines Diocesan Development and Peace Committee

Director Crocco welcomed Frank Fohr, Chair of the St. Catharines Diocesan Development and Peace Committee, who was in attendance to present the Niagara Catholic District School Board with a special plaque in recognition and appreciation of the \$70,603.12 raised for the Haiti Earthquake Relief Efforts by Niagara Catholic students and staff.

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. School Excellence Program - Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School

Director Crocco provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program. Rob Ciarlo, Superintendent of Education introduced Greg Hulse, Principal of Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School.

Principal Hulse, with the assistance of students and staff showcased Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary as part of the School Excellence Program.

Chairperson Burtnik thanked Principal Hulse, the staff and students for their presentation and performance.

2. Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 9, 2010 and Consideration of Recommendations

Moved by Trustee Crole

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 9, 2010, presented.

CARRIED

The following recommendations were presented for the Board's consideration from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 9, 2010:

2.1 Financial Reports

2.1.1 Monthly Banking Transactions

Moved by Trustee Scalzi

Seconded by Trustee Belcastro

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Monthly Banking Transactions for the month of February 2010, as presented for information.

CARRIED

2.3.2 Statement of Revenue & Expenditures

Moved by Trustee Scalzi

Seconded by Trustee Belcastro

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as at February 28, 2010, as presented for information.

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of February 7, 2010

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of February 7, 2010, as presented for information.

CARRIED

4. 2010 Technological Skills Competition

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education, welcomed David Pihach, Administrator – Student Success, and Marco Magazzeni, Consultant – Technology/Specialist High Skills Major, who presented the report on the 2010 Niagara Catholic Technological Skills Competition. Students with the highest scores qualified for the Skills Ontario Competition at RIM Park in Waterloo May 17-19, 2010. The National Skills Canada Competition will run from May 20-23, 2010.

5. Niagara Catholic System Priorities and Annual Budget Timelines 2010-2011

Director Crocco presented the report on the Niagara Catholic System Priorities and Annual Budget Timelines 2010-2011, along with a brief overview of the recently released 2010-2011 Grants for Students Needs (GSN). He stated that it is the recommendation of Senior Staff to submit the Board's System Priorities and Annual Budget for 2010-2011 in alignment with the approval of the Niagara Catholic Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Scalzi

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic System Priorities and Annual Budget Timelines 2010-2011, as presented.

CARRIED

6. H1N1 Pandemic – Niagara Catholic Preparation and Management

Director Crocco presented the monthly Board report on the H1N1 Pandemic – Niagara Catholic Preparation and Management.

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

Chairperson Burtnik presented the following correspondence:

1.1 Holy Cross Fathers – Thank You for Donation

1.2 Ministry of Education – Thank You for Copy of Director's Annual Report 2009

1.3 Brock University – Congratulations on Niagara Catholic's Receipt of 2010 Global Best Award

- President and Vice-Chancellor, Jack Lightstone
- Professor and Dean, Faculty of Education, James Heap

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Chairperson Burtnik reported on the attendance at the Regional Catholic School Council Annual Spring Conference by Vice-Chairperson John Dekker, Trustee Scalzi and herself along with the Director and members of Senior Staff.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

3.1 Ministry Consultation re: Parent Involvement Committees

Director Crocco presented information on the Ministry Consultation re: Parent Involvement Committees. Recommendations from Trustees are to be submitted to the Director by April 13, 2010. Director Crocco will compile all submissions and submit a response to OCSTA by April 15, 2010.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – March 9, 2010

Director Crocco presented the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – March 9, 2010, issue for Trustees' information.

4.2 Calendar of Events – April 2010

Director Crocco presented the Calendar of Events – April 2010 for Trustees' information.

**4.3 Vision 2020 Summit – April 14, 2010, 4:00-9:00 p.m.
– Saint Michael Catholic High School**

Director Crocco presented information on the Vision 2020 Summit – April 14, 2010, 4:00-9:00 p.m. – Saint Michael Catholic High School.

4.4 Director's Meeting – April 15, 2010

Director Crocco invited Trustees to attend the afternoon portion of the April Director's Meeting on April 15, 2010, at Club Roma and asked that they respond if they are attending to Sherry Morena, Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications Department.

**4.5 Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast – April 19, 2010
– Quality Parkway Hotel & Conference Centre**

Director Crocco presented information on the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast – April 19, 2010 – Quality Parkway Hotel & Conference Centre.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Belcastro

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move into the In Camera Session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Dekker

Seconded by Trustee Belcastro

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of March 30, 2010.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of February 23, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION A: Student Trustees Present of March 9, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Belcastro

Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of February 23, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4.1)

Moved by Trustee Belcastro

Seconded by Trustee Crole

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Special Board Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded (Trustees & Director Only) of March 9, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4.2)

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Dekker

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of March 9, 2010, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

The following motions were reported from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of March 9, 2010:

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Dekker

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F5.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F5.1)

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Crole

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the March 30, 2010 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held **March 30, 2010.**

Approved on the **27th** day of **April 2010.**

Kathy Burtnik
Chairperson of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer