



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, in the Father Kenneth Burns c.s.c. Board Room, at the Catholic Education Centre, 427 Rice Road, Welland.

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

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Vernal.

2. Roll Call

Chairperson MacNeil noted that Trustee Nieuwesteeg would be late for the May 24, 2016 Board meeting.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau		✓		
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Pat Vernal	✓			
Student Trustees				
Michaela Bodis	✓			
Aidan Harold	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Ted Farrell**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, **Mark Lefebvre**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Scott Whitwell**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Trustee O'Leary
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of May 24, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

A Disclosure of Interest was declared by Trustee Fera with Item F9.2.1 of the In Camera Agenda. This trustee has family members who are employees of the Board. He left the meeting during discussion of this item.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of April 26, 2016

Moved by Trustee Vernal
Seconded by Trustee Fera

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of April 26, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 10, 2016

Moved by Trustee Fera
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of May 10, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. School Excellence Program – St. Therese Catholic Elementary School

Director Crocco provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program. Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education introduced Lisa Selman, Principal of St. Therese Catholic Elementary School.

Principal Selman, with the assistance of students, staff and community members showcased St. Therese Catholic Elementary School as part of the School Excellence Program.

Chairperson MacNeil and Trustee Sicoli thanked Principal Selman, the staff, students and the community for their presentation and performance.

Trustee Nieuwesteeg arrived at 7:30 p.m.

2. Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 10, 2016 and Consideration of Recommendations

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 10, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

The following recommendations were presented for the Board's consideration from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 10, 2016:

2.1 Approval of Policies

2.1.1 Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.3)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.3), as presented.

(NOT VOTED)

Following a question and comment by Trustee Fera on the reference to Trustees as visitors to Board premises it was recommended by Vice-Chair Burtnik to defer the Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy back to the Policy Committee.

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board defer the Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy to the Policy Committee.

CARRIED

2.1.2 Reimbursement of Travel Expenses Policy (201.4)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Reimbursement of Travel Expenses Policy (201.4), as presented.

CARRIED

2.1.3 Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5), as presented.

CARRIED

2.2 Approval of Administrative Guidelines Reference to Administrative Procedures

Moved by Trustee Vernal
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Approval of Administrative Guidelines Reference to Administrative Procedures, as presented.

CARRIED

2.3 Consolidated Long Term Accommodation Plan

Moved by Trustee Burtnik
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board endorse the Long Term Accommodation Plan Report, Phase One, Two and Three, as presented.

CARRIED

2.4 Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2016-2017 – Revised

Director Crocco presented the request from the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) to change the May 18, 2017 NCPIC meeting date to May 11, 2017.

Moved by Trustee Vernal
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2016-2017 – Revised, as presented.

CARRIED

2.5 Report on the 2016-2017 Balanced Board Budget

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau
Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Report on the 2016-2017 Balanced Board Budget, as presented for information.

CARRIED

3. Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Meeting of March 3, 2016

Moved by Trustee Fera
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) Meeting of March 3, 2016, as presented for information.

CARRIED

4. Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of April 6, 2016

Moved by Trustee Vernal
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of April 6, 2016, as presented for information.

CARRIED

5. Niagara Catholic Athletic Association

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education introduced Mike Sheahan, Consultant, Health and Physical Education, Science and Social Sciences.

Mr. Sheahan presented the Niagara Catholic Athletic Association report.

Trustee Charbonneau expressed appreciation for the thoroughness of the report.

Mr. Sheahan answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board endorses the Niagara Catholic Athletic Association, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2015-2016

Superintendent Lefebvre presented the Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2015-2016 report for Trustee information.

Superintendent Lefebvre answered questions of Trustees.

7. Financial Report 2015-2016 as at April 29, 2016

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Financial Report 2015-2016 as at April 29, 2016 for information.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

1.1 May 17, 2016 Letter from Monsignor Clancy Catholic and St. Charles Catholic Elementary Schools Catholic School Councils

Chair MacNeil, highlighted information contained in the May 17, 2016 Letter from Monsignor Clancy Catholic and St. Charles Catholic Elementary Schools Catholic School Councils. Director Crocco announced that this letter will be posted on the Niagara Catholic website under Long Term Accommodation Plan tab and would be included in the working documents of the Pupil Accommodation Review Committee for Monsignor Clancy Catholic and St. Charles Catholic Elementary School.

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Trustees Vernal, Burtnik and O'Leary commented on the excellence of the OCSTA AGM Conference and highlighted key areas of the AGM.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Director Crocco reminded Trustee that there is no Policy Committee meeting in June 2016 and provided advanced notice of the one item Special Board meeting on June 14, 2016 following the Committee of the Whole meeting to consider the approval of the Annual Board Budget 2016-2017.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – May 10, 2016

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – May 10, 2016.

4.2 Calendar of Events – June 2016

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events – June 2016, 2016 for Trustees information.

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Niagara Catholic Family Mass and Picnic on June 5, 2016 at Queenston Heights and the Retirement & Service Recognition on June 24, 2016 at Club Roma. Director Crocco asked Trustees to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant of Corporate Services & Communications.

Chair MacNeil extended an invitation to Trustees interested in participating in the CCSTA 2017 teleconference at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday May 25, 2016.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Vernal

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 9:15 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of May 24, 2016.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 April 26, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 May 10, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 April 26, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4.1)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 of May 10, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4.2)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

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 May 10, 2016, 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 May 10, 2016:

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the motion from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting – SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of F5.1

CARRIED (Item F5.1)

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the motion from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting – SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of F5.2

CARRIED (Item F5.2)

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the motion from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting – SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of F5.3

CARRIED (Item F5.3)

Moved by Trustee Fera

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F8 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F8)

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the May 24, 2016 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **May 24, 2016**.

Approved on **June 21, 2016**.

Fr. Paul MacNeil
Chairperson of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer