



## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at the Niagara Launch Centre, Lancaster Drive, Seaway Mall, Welland.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-Chair Burtnik.

#### A. **ROUTINE MATTERS**

1. **Opening Prayer**

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Burtnik

2. **Roll Call**

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Maurice Charbonneau		✓		
Frank Fera	✓			
Fr. Paul MacNeil	✓			
Ed Nieuwesteeg	✓			
Ted O'Leary	✓			
Dino Sicoli				✓
Pat Vernal	✓			
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
Nico Tripodi	✓			
Hannah Tummillo	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

**John Crocco**, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **Ted Farrell**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Frank Iannantuono**, 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 Vernal

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 12, 2017, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

No Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared with any items on the Agenda.

**5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 13, 2017**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 13, 2017, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Consent Agenda Items**

**6.1 Naming of St. Martin Catholic Elementary School Chapel**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Naming Request – St. Martin of Tours Chapel at the new St. Martin Catholic Elementary School, as presented.

**6.2 Provisions of Special Education Programs and Services – Special Education Plan**

Presented for information.

**6.3 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities**

Presented for information.

**6.4 Capital Projects Update**

Presented for information.

**6.5 In Camera Items F1 and F4**

Chair MacNeil requested Item 6.4 be held. This item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C5 of the agenda.

Moved by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole adopt consent agenda items.

**CARRIED**

## **B. PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

## **C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. Director of Education and Senior Staff Introduction to the 2017-2018 School Year**

John Crocco, Director of Education and Senior Administrative Council welcomed the Board to the Launch Centre, to the new school year and presented a visual report which provided information and update on the beginning of the new school year, summer activities, System Priorities, enrolment, staffing, program, special education, technology, research, safe schools, business and facility services.

Chair MacNeil and Vice-Chair Burtnik expressed the Boards appreciation to staff for a smooth start to the new school year and for all the hard work and dedication of staff during the summer.

Director Crocco and Senior Staff answered questions of Trustees

### **2. Summer Camp 2017**

Director Crocco introduced Jennifer Pirosko, Coordinator of Student Success.

Ms. Pirosko along with students and staff presented the Summer Camp 2017 program.

Vice-Chair Burtnik along with Student Trustee Tripodi expressed gratitude to the staff for their leadership and dedication.

### **3. Niagara Launch Centre**

Director Crocco introduced Marco Magazzeni, Administrator of Alternative Programs and Community Partnerships and Ivan Galante, K to 12 Consultant: Business/Technological Education/Specialist High Skills Major.

Mr. Magazzeni and Ms. Galante, presented the Niagara Launch Centre report.

Mr. Magazzeni introduced community partners of the Niagara Launch Centre Mario DeDivitiis, Chief Executive Officer at Niagara Workforce Planning Board (NWPB), Kevin Hesch, National Sales Manager at In-House Solutions, Steve Hatt, The Ontario Technical Training Manager at Bell Canada and Nick Ciccone, Training Director at Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA), Local 837 who were all highly complementary of the Launch Centre direction and support for students.

Mr. Ciccone presented the Niagara Launch Centre with a \$10,000.00 cheque on behalf of LIUNA Local 837 in support of the centre.

Mr. Magazzeni and Ms. Galante escorted Trustees and Senior Staff on a guided tour of the facilities.

Vice-Chair Burtnik expressed gratitude to the staff for their passion and for lighting the spark and igniting passion in the students that will benefit from the Launch Centre.

**4. Monthly Updates**

**4.1 Student Trustees' Update**

Nico Tripodi and Hannah Tummillo, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal and visual update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

**4.2 Senior Staff Good News Update**

Captured in C1 Report.

**5. Consent Agenda Item A6.4**

**5.1 Capital Projects Update**

Chair MacNeil acknowledged and thanked Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services and the Facilities Services staff for the new St. Martin Catholic Elementary School.

**D. INFORMATION**

**1. Trustee Information**

**1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 20, 2017**

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – June 20, 2017 issue for Trustees information.

**1.2 Calendar of Events – September 2017**

Director Crocco presented the September 2017 Calendar of Events for Trustees information.

**1.3 OCSTA Information – June, July & August 2017**

Director Crocco highlighted the OCSTA Information from June, July and August 2017

**1.4 OCSTA Memorandum – Bill 68 Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act – Implementation Issues**

Director Crocco highlighted the OCSTA Memorandum regarding Bill 68 Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act – Implementation Issues.

**1.5 OCSTA Memorandum – The New Ontario Municipal Election Cycle – May 1, 2018 – October 22, 2018**

Director Crocco highlighted the OCSTA Memorandum regarding the New Ontario Municipal Election Cycle – May 1, 2018 – October 22, 2018.

**1.6 Letter to Students and Parents – September 2017**

Director Crocco presented a hard copy of the letter that was sent to all students and families for September 2017.

**1.7 Letter to Staff – September 2017**

Director Crocco presented a hard copy of the letter that was sent to all staff for September 2017.

**1.8 OCSTA 2017 Fall Regional Meeting – September 19, 2017**

Director John Crocco highlighted the OCSTA 2017 fall regional meeting dates for Trustee information and registration.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano.

**1.9 Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament – September 20, 2017**

Director Crocco presented the Agenda and Registration form for the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education Golf Tournament – September 20, 2017.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano.

**1.10 Niagara Wine Festival Grande Parade – September 23, 2017**

Director Crocco informed the Board that Niagara Catholic will once again participate in the Niagara Wine Festival Grande Parade on September 23, 2017.

All Trustees were invited to walk in the annual parade with the Board and asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano.

**E. OTHER BUSINESS**

**1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action**

- 1.1** Director Crocco informed the Board that the annual System Priorities Final Achievement Report for the 2016-2017 school year will be presented at the September 26, 2017 Board Meeting and that staff was actively engaged in implementing the System Priorities for 2017-2018.

**F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Vernal

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole move into the In Camera Session.

**CARRIED**

The Committee of the Whole moved into the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting at 9:33 p.m. and reconvened at 10:51 p.m.

**G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Vernal

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 12, 2017.

**CARRIED**

## **SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section A: Student Trustees Included) held on June 13, 2017, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

## **SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Fera

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (Section B: Student Trustees Excluded) held on June 13, 2017, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F4)**

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Vernal

**THAT** the September 12, 2017 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **September 12, 2017.**

Approved on **October 10, 2017.**

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Kathy Burtnik  
Vice-Chair of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer