



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 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 Vice-Chair Vernal.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

The Committee of the Whole meeting opened with a Land Recognition by Gary Parker, Cultural Coordinator and Project Manager of the Fort Erie Friendship Centre.

1. **Opening Prayer**

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Charbonneau.

2. **Roll Call**

Vice-Chair Vernal noted that Trustees Burtnik and Nieuwesteeg were asked to be excused.

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				
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**, **Pat Rocca**, 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 Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 13, 2018, 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 January 16, 2018

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 16, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda Items

Trustee Fera requested Item 6.4 be held. This item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C6 of the agenda.

6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 30, 2018

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 30, 2018, as presented.

6.2 Records and Information Management Policy (600.2)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Records and Information Management Policy (600.2), as presented.

6.3 Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction Policy (100.7)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction Policy (100.7), as presented.

6.4 Assignment of Principals & Vice-Principals Policy (202.1)

Moved to Section C6

6.5 Employee Attendance During Inclement Weather & Workplace Closure Policy (201.9)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Employee Attendance During Inclement Weather & Workplace Closure Policy (201.9), as presented.

6.6 Nutrition Policy (302.7)

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Nutrition Policy (302.7), as presented.

6.7 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

Presented for information.

6.8 Capital Projects Update

Presented for information.

6.9 In Camera Items F1 and F3

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole adopt consent agenda items.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Our Lady of Grace Spiritual Centre

Director Crocco presented a background on Our Lady of Grace Spiritual Centre and introduced Krista Wood, Board Chaplaincy Leader

Ms. Wood, highlighted the Our Lady of Grace Spiritual Centre for Trustee information.

Vice-Chair Vernal, Chair MacNeil and Student Trustee Tripodi expressed their appreciation along with the importance of Our Lady of Grace Spiritual Centre.

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Centre

Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education introduced Marco Magazzeni, Administrator of Alternative Programs and Community Partnerships. Mr. Magazzeni along with Kelsey Dick and Jill Goodwin, teachers at the Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Centre highlighted the Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Centre report for Trustee information.

Mr. Magazzeni introduced Joanne Henry, Ministry of Educations Education Officer, Chris Kagesheongai of the Niagara Regional Native Centre and Gary Parker. Ms. Henry, Mr. Kagesheongai and Mr. Parker expressed their appreciation of the programs provided at the Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Centre.

Vice-Chair Vernal and Chair MacNeil thanked Mr. Magazzeni and guests.

2. Niagara Catholic EarlyON Child and Family Centre Update 2018

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education introduced Donna Dalgleish, Coordinator EarlyON Child and Family Centre.

Ms. Dalgleish presented the Niagara Catholic EarlyON Child and Family Centre Update 2018 report.

Ms. Dagleish answered questions of Trustees.

Vice-Chair Vernal thanked Ms. Dagleish for her presentation.

3. Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2018-2019

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources presented the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars for 2018-2019.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Committee of the Whole Priorities and Budget 2017-2018 Update

Director Crocco and members of Senior Administrative Council presented the February Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2017-2018 Update.

Director Crocco and members of Senior Staff answered questions of Trustees.

5. Monthly Updates

5.1 Student Trustees' Update

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

5.2 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Farrell

- For the first time in history Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School captured a VEX Robotics Championship in Toronto over the weekend and are now qualified for Provincial Championships.
- Matthew Manicini and Zach Browne, grade 12 students from Notre Dame College School are the designers of a two-part building to be constructed at Niagara Safety Village by students at Niagara Launch Centre. One part will be a library and one part will be a hospital.
- Olympic gold medalist in Canada's mixed doubles curling team John Morris and good friend of a staff member at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School sent a video supporting the Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School curling team as they enter playoffs.

Superintendent Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells

- "DEAM- Drop Everything and Move: K-8" in Niagara Catholic has been piloted at Assumption Catholic Elementary School. Dino Germano, Athletic Association Consultant made a report about DEAM at the Niagara Catholic Mental Health Leadership Team meeting and members immediately endorsed its implementation. At the January 31st workshop Public Health nurses and Daily Physical Activity (DPA) teachers were provided with resources to support the implementation of DEAM in Niagara Catholic. DEAM is four to five minutes of movement to music beginning

once or twice a week in the classroom or gymnasium. DEAM supports health and wellness for all students, readiness to learn, and encourages students to engage in movement, with the goal of student- led “Drop Everything and Move” sessions in all Niagara Catholic elementary schools.

6. Consent Agenda Item A6.4

6.1 Assignment of Principals and Vice-Principals Policy (202.1)

Trustee Fera suggested inserting “*strong moral values*” in the second paragraph of the Statement of Policy.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Assignment of Principals & Vice-Principals Policy (202.1), as amended.

CARRIED

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 30, 2018

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 30, 2018 issue for Trustees information.

1.2 Calendar of Events – February 2018

Director Crocco presented the February 2018 Calendar of Events and reminded Trustees that the Catholic Education Centre will be closed Monday, February 19, 2018 for the family day weekend.

1.3 Ontario Legislative Highlights – January 26, 2018, February 2, 2018, February 9, 2018

Director Crocco highlighted the Ontario Legislative Highlights of January 26, 2018, February 2 and 9, 2018.

1.4 2018 OCSTA Special Award, Trustee Award of Merit & Student Trustee Alumnus Award

Director Crocco announced the recipients of OCSTA’s three awards for 2018.

1.5 OCSTA – Regulatory Proposals Under the Cannabis Act, 2017

Director Crocco highlighted OCSTA’s memorandum regarding regulatory proposals under the Cannabis Act, 2017.

1.6 OCSTA February 2, 2018 Letter to Prime Minister Trudeau & Minister Hajdu

Director Crocco highlighted OCSTA’s letter to Prime Minister Trudeau and Minister Hajdu regarding the application to summer jobs.

1.7 OCSTA 2018 AGM & Conference – April 26-28, 2018

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the OCSTA 2018 AGM & Conference.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano prior to the end of the Committee of the Whole meeting in order to secure room bookings.

1.8 Ministry of Education Memorandum – Draft Revised Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline and Community Planning and Partnerships Guideline Updates

Director Crocco highlighted the Ministry of Education memorandum regarding the proposed revisions to the Pupil Accommodation Review and Community Planning and Partnerships Guidelines.

Director Crocco requested that Trustees provide any feedback on the most recent revisions to Anna Pisano. The feedback will be summarized and a report will be provided at the March Board meeting.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

1.1 Director Crocco informed the Board of the continued discussions on the design of the 2018-2019 System Priorities and Budget.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

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 9:07 p.m. and reconvened at 10:19 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 13, 2018.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

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 January 16, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

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 January 16, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F3)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the February 13, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **February 13, 2018.**

Approved on **March 6, 2018.**

Pat Vernal
Vice-Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer