



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, 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 Chair Fera.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder.

2. Roll Call

Chair Fera noted that all Trustees and Student Trustees were in attendance.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Larry Huibers	✓			
Daniel Moody	✓			
Leanne Prince	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Paul Turner	✓			
Student Trustees				
Jade Bilodeau	✓			
Madison McKinney	✓			

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 Moody

Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of April 23, 2019, as amended:

AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

ITEM F8 Deferred

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

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

5. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 26, 2019

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 26, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda Items

Trustee Sicoli requested Items A6.1.3 and F7 be held. Item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C of the agenda.

6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 9, 2019 and Consideration of Recommendations

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of April 9, 2019, as presented.

6.1.1 Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students Policy (301.1)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Admission of Elementary and Secondary Students Policy (301.1), as presented.

6.1.2 Naming Request – St. Gregory the Great Chapel at St. Augustine Catholic Elementary School

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Naming Request – St. Gregory the Great Chapel at St. Augustine Catholic Elementary School, as presented/

6.1.3 Pre-Approval of Capital Works Project Tenders Estimated to Cost in Excess of \$500,000

Moved to Section C2

6.2 Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of January 9, 2019

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of January 9, 2019, as presented.

6.3 In-Camera Items F1, F2, F4, F5, F6 & F7

Moved by Trustee Moody
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board adopt the consent agenda items.

CARRIED

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Niagara Regional Science and Engineering Fair

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education presented background information on the Niagara Regional Science and Engineering Fair and introduced Denice Robertson, Principal at Lakeshore Catholic High School.

Principal Robertson introduced Zoe Gagnon, a Grade 12 student at Lakeshore Catholic High School. Zoe's project submission earned her the Brock University Biology Award, the Senior Category Silver Medal, the Brock University Entrance Scholarship and a spot on the Niagara Region team competing at this year's Canada Wide Science Fair in Fredericton on May 11-17, 2019.

Zoe highlighted key elements of her project submission entitled "*Activation of a Receptor for Insulin-like Peptide Decreases Fictive Locomotion in Fruit Fly Larvae*".

Vice-Chair Sicoli presented Zoe with a Niagara Catholic "Excellence in Academics" Pin.

Chair Fera extended congratulations on behalf of the Board to Zoe and the Lakeshore Catholic staff.

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Financial Report as at March 31, 2019

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Financial Report for information.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

2. Consent Agenda Item A6.1.3

6.1.3 Pre-Approval of Capital Works Project Tenders Estimated to Cost in Excess of \$500,000

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services answered questions of Trustees.

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

Director Crocco highlighted information contained in the following:

- 1.1 Letter from Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board to Ministry of Education**
- 1.2 Card from William Amadio**
- 1.3 Letter from OCSTA**
- 1.4 Letter from The Terry Fox Foundation**

Trustee Burtnik asked the Board to accept the invitation from OCSTA to attend a future In-Camera Board Meeting.

Chair Fera indicated he would speak to the Notice of Motion under Item E1.

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Nil Report

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Staff continues to work on the May Committee of the Whole report for Board consideration on the Draft System Priorities 2019-2020.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – April 9, 2019

Director Crocco highlighted the April 9, 2019 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic.

4.2 Calendar of Events – May 2019

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events – May 2019 for Trustees information.

Director Crocco requested Trustees confirm their attendance at the Celebrating Excellence Mass & Ceremony on May 6, 2019 at St. Alfred Parish with Anna Pisano.

4.3 Catholic Education Week 2019

Director Crocco highlighted the Catholic Education Week 2019 Booklet.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

1. Accountability & Transparency

Chair Fera noted that the Accountability & Transparency notice of motion is withdrawn and that Chair Fera along with Vice-Chair Sicoli will discuss the contents of the OCSTA letter with Mr. Daly at the upcoming OCSTA AGM.

A request to have a report on the meeting with Mr. Daly presented at the next Board meeting was agreed to by Chair Fera.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Sicoli
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

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 7:54 p.m., recessed the In-Camera Session at 9:34 p.m., reconvened to the In-Camera Session at 10:14 p.m. and reconvened to the Public Session at 10:25 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Sicoli
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of April 23, 2019.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee Moody
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

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 March 26, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee Moody
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

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 April 9, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Moody
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

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 March 26, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Moody
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

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 April 9, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the Public Session of the Board Meeting at 9:34 p.m.

Design of System Priorities 2019-2020

Trustees presented their considerations for the Design of the System Priorities 2019-2020.

Moved by Trustee Moody

Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board move back to the In-Camera session.

CARRIED

The Niagara Catholic District School Board moved into the In-Camera Session of the Board Meeting at 10:15 p.m.

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Turner

Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the April 23, 2019 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **April 23, 2019**.

Approved on **May 28, 2019**.

Frank Fera
Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer