



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

*FATHER KENNETH BURNS, C.S.C. BOARD ROOM
CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE, WELLAND, ONTARIO*

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 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 Sicoli.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Nieuwesteeg.

2. Roll Call

Trustee Sicoli noted that all Trustees were in attendance.

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				
Jessica Di Pasquale	✓			
Chloe Demizio	✓			

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; **Sherry Morena**, Coordinator of Information Management, Recording Secretary

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 13, 2015 as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

A Declaration Conflict of Interest was declared by Trustee O'Leary with Item F2 of the In Camera Agenda.

5. **Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 2, 2014**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of December 2, 2014, as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. **Holy Childhood Walk**

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education gave a brief presentation on the Holy Childhood Walk. This year, forty-four (44) elementary schools participated in the Holy Childhood Walkathons in an effort to raise money for various countries in *Africa, South America and Asia*. The walkathons were conducted through October and early November and raised \$18,816.06.

2. **Consecration of the Niagara Catholic District School Board to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Director Crocco presented the report recommending that the Niagara Catholic District School Board be Consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Niagara Catholic District School Board the approval of the Consecration of the Niagara Catholic District School Board to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus, as presented.

CARRIED

3. **Staff Development: Professional Development Opportunities 2015**

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources, presented the report on the Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities for information.

4. **Preparation of the System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016**

John Crocco, Director of Education, Secretary/Treasurer and Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the report on the Preparation of the System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 which included information on the foundation, background, current status, Ministry of Education and Board financed programs and services in Niagara Catholic.

Trustees asked question of Director Crocco and Superintendent Vetrone regarding the various aspects of the report. Director Crocco indicated that in accordance with the consultation and decision making timelines, Senior Administrative Council would provide additional reports on the Preparation of the System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 at upcoming Committee of the Whole meetings prior to a presentation of a final report and recommendation in the spring of 2015.

5. **Monthly Updates**

5.1 **Capital Projects Update**

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services, presented the Capital Projects Update.

5.2 **Student Trustees' Update**

Chloe Demizio and Jessica Di Pasquale, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

5.3 **Senior Staff Good News Update**

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Baldasaro

- Blessed Trinity was recognized on the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) website, which displayed the winning group from Blessed Trinity Catholic last year. For the past three years, Blessed Trinity Catholic students researched charitable organizations in their school's demographic area and presented both an oral and video presentation about the charity to a panel of distinguished judges. Winning groups can secure a \$5,000 subsidy towards the charity that they research.

Superintendent Lefebvre

- Sarah Quaranta, student at Saint Paul Catholic High School, was one of 13 forwards chosen to represent Canada on the under-18 women's national hockey team. Canada secured a silver medal in the tournament.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – December 2014

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – December 2014 issue for Trustees information.

1.2 Calendar of Events – January 2015

Director Crocco presented the January 2015 Calendar of Events for Trustees information.

1.3 Trustee and Senior Staff Retreat – January 27, 2015 – Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Trustee and Senior Staff Retreat being held January 27, 2015 at the Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre beginning at 9:30 a.m.

1.4 EQAO Strategic Planning Session Representation – February 2, 2015, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Waterloo

Superintendent Forsyth-Sells informed Trustees that an EQAO Strategic Planning Session is scheduled for February 2, 2015 between 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Waterloo. Trustees were asked to inform Sherry Morena if they are interested in attending the event.

1.5 Business Education Council Annual Partners Breakfast – February 6, 2015

Director Crocco reminded Trustees about the Business Education Council Annual Partners Breakfast being held on Friday, February 6, 2015 at Marriott Gateway on the Falls, Niagara Falls from 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., featuring keynote speaker Taylor Conroy of Change Heros.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Sherry Morena by Friday, January 17, 2015.

1.6 Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction

Director Crocco provided Trustees with information about the Niagara Catholic Education Award of Distinction 2015 and the Bishops Gala on April 10, 2015.

1.7 Draft 2015 Board Committee Membership

Chair MacNeil presented the Draft 2015 Board Committee Membership and requested Trustees to advise him of committee membership. The confirmed 2015 Board Committee Membership will be provided at the January Board Meeting..

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Director Crocco informed Trustees that in addition to the Preparation of the System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 report, at the February Committee of the Whole meeting, Senior Administrative Council will present the annual Mid-Year System Priorities Achievement Report at the January Board Meeting and a report on Board properties and service locations at the February Committee of the Whole meeting.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

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 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 1:25 p.m.

REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 13, 2015.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

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 November 11, 2014 as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - In Camera Session (SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded) of November 11, 2014, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F5 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F5)

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.1)

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.2 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.2)

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.3 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.3)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.4 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.4)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee MacNeil

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole extend the meeting 15 minutes.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Vernal

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CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.5 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.5)

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.6 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.6)

Moved by Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.7 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.7)

Moved by Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.8 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.8)

Moved by Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.9 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.9)

Moved by Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.10 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.10)

Moved by Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.11 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.11)

Moved by Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.12 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.12)

Moved by O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.13 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.13)

Moved by Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F7.14 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F7.14)

G. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the January 13, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 1:30 a.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **January 13, 2015.**

Approved on **February 10, 2015.**

Dino Sicoli
Vice-Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer