



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, May 12, 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 7:10 p.m. by Vice-Chairperson Sicoli.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Vernal

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	✓			
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; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 12, 2015 as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared by Trustees O'Leary with Item F4 of the In Camera Agenda

5. **Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 14, 2015**

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 14, 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. **Policy Committee**

1.1 **Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of April 28, 2015**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of April 28, 2015, as presented.

CARRIED

1.2 **Approval of Policies**

Policy Committee Chairperson Burtnik presented the Policy Committee recommendations to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

1.2.1 **Student Suspension Policy (302.6.4)**

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Student Suspension Policy (302.6.4), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.2 Student Expulsion Policy (302.6.5)

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Student Expulsion Policy (302.6.5), as presented.

CARRIED

1.3 Policy and Guideline Review 2015-2015 Schedule

John Crocco, Director of Education presented the Policy and Guideline Review 2015-2015 Schedule for the information of Trustees. Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the 4:00 p.m. start time for the May 26, 2015 Policy Committee Meeting.

2. Niagara Catholic District School Board Multi-Year Accessibility Plan December 2012 – December 2017 (Working Document) - Update

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education presented the background information on the Niagara Catholic District School Board Multi-Year Accessibility Plan December 2012 to December 2017 (working document) – update report. Superintendent Baldasaro introduced Cathy McMullin, Applied Behaviour Analysis Supervisor.

Ms. McMullin presented the Niagara Catholic District School Board Multi-Year Accessibility Plan December 2012 to December 2017 (working document) – update report.

3. Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2014-2015

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education presented the Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2014-2015 report.

4. Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

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

5. Education Development charges – Regulatory Requirement

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services presented the report on the Education Development Charge – Regulatory Requirements.

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Niagara Catholic District School Board that for the purposes of Section 9(1) paragraph 8 of Ontario Regulation 20/98, the Niagara Catholic District School Board has reviewed its operating budget with respect to any savings that could be applied to reduce growth related net education land costs, and has determined that funds will not be available to reduce growth related net education land costs.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT for the purposes of Section 9(1) paragraph 6 of Ontario Regulation 20/98, the Niagara Catholic District School Board will consider arrangements with municipalities, school boards or other boards or persons or bodies in the public or private sector, including arrangements of a long-term or co-operative nature, subject to the Board's Facility Partnerships Policy, No. 800.6, adopted on May 25, 2010.

CARRIED

6. Board Meeting Calendar 2015-2016

Director Crocco highlighted the report and the recommended Board meeting dates for 2015-2016.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Board Meeting Dates Calendar 2015-2016, as presented.

CARRIED

7. Report on the 2015-2016 Board Budget

Director Crocco introduced the Report on the 2015-2016 Board Budget.

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Report on the 2015-2016 Annual Budget.

Senior Administrative Staff highlighted specific areas of the 2015-2016 Board Budget.

Director Crocco and Senior Administrative Staff answered questions of Trustees.

Chair MacNeil put forth the following motion.

MOTION:

To have a detailed report on all financial data for the following 5 areas; print shop, advertising, Continuing Education, legal fees and Board events.

DEFEATED

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Report on the 2015-2016 Annual Budget, as presented.

CARRIED

8. Monthly Updates

8.1 Capital Projects Update

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

Controller Whitwell answered questions of Trustees.

8.2 Student Senate Update

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

Jessica thanked Trustees and Senior Administrative Staff for the opportunity to attend the Conference.

8.3 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Baldasaro

- Alexandra Bula, a student from Saint Francis Catholic Secondary School placed 3rd in the Grade 9-10 Level of the 31st Concours d'art oratoire, the annual French public-speaking event organized by Canadian Parents for French (Ontario) and the Ontario Modern Language Teachers' Association. The event took place on Saturday, May 9th, at York University's bilingual campus, Glendon College, in Toronto.

Superintendent Lefebvre

- Sifar Halani, a Grade 11 student at Saint Michael Catholic High School will be appointed to the Minister's Student Advisory Council.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – April 28, 2015

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – April 28, 2015 issue for Trustees information.

1.2 Calendar of Events – May 2015

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

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the May 14, 2015 Graduation celebration being held at the Gale Centre in Niagara Falls at 10:00 a.m., and the Partners in Catholic Education being held at Club Roma at 5:30 p.m.

1.3 Educational Development Charge Information Session – May 26, 2015

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Educational Development Charge Information Session taking place on May 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. prior to the May 2015 Board Meeting, and noted that the Policy Committee Meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m.

1.4 Annual Board Mass and Family Picnic – June 7, 2015

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Annual Board Mass and Family Picnic takes place on June 7, 2015. Trustees attending are asked to notify Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant to Corporate Services & Communications.

1.5 Graduation Dates June 2015

Director Crocco highlighted the Graduation dates for June 2015.

Director Crocco presented information on the 2013 Elementary & Secondary School Graduation Dates, times and locations, and informed Trustees that Principals would be in direct contact with them regarding invitations and any request to present awards.

1.6 Mary's Meals Report to Niagara Catholic District School Board

Director Crocco highlighted Mary's Meals Report to Niagara Catholic District School Board.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

- 1.1 Director Crocco commented on the recent media attention regarding the revised Health and Physical Education Curriculum. He noted that Program staff are attending regional Ministry of Education training sessions during May and June; that the Institute for Catholic Education will be providing resource documents for staff, and that in the fall a letter will be sent to all families on the new Health and Physical Education delivery in Niagara Catholic.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

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 9:55 p.m. and reconvened at 9:59 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 May 12, 2015.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Vernal

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 April 14, 2015, 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) held on April 14, 2015 as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the May 12, 2015 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **May 12, 2015.**

Approved on **June 9, 2015.**

Dino Sicoli
Vice-Chairperson of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer