



**MINUTES OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2016**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 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-Chairperson Burtnik.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee O'Leary.

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				
Michaela Bodis	✓			
Aidan Harold	✓			

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 Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 9, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared by Trustee O'Leary with Item F5.2.1 and F5.2.2 and Trustee Fera with Item F5.1.1 and F5.3.1 of the In Camera Agenda. Both Trustees declared that they have family members who are employees of the Board. They left the meeting during discussion of this item.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12, 2016

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 12, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

B. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Policy Committee

1.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 26, 2016

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 26, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

1.2 Approval of Policies

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

1.2.1 Facility Partnerships Policy (800.6)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Facility Partnerships Policy (800.6), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.2 Pupil Accommodation Review Policy (701.2)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Pupil Accommodation Review Policy (701.2), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.3 Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Dress Code – Secondary Uniform – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.6), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.4 Elementary Standardized Dress Code – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Elementary Standardized Dress Code – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.10), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.5 French Immersion (NEW)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised French Immersion (NEW), as presented.

CARRIED

1.3 Policy and Guideline Review 2015-2016 Schedule

Director Crocco presented the Policy and Guideline Review 2015-2016 Schedule for the information of Trustees and announced that future Policy Committee meetings for 2016 will begin at 4:00 p.m.

2. Long Term Accommodation Planning – Phase One

Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education, Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services and Kathy Levinski, Manager Facilities Services presented the Long Term Accommodation Planning Report – Phase One.

Superintendent Farrell answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Long Term Accommodation Planning Principles, as presented.

CARRIED

3. French Immersion Program

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education introduced Roxanne Rees, Consultant, French/International Language/Equity. Mrs. Rees presented the French Immersion Program report for Trustee information.

Mrs. Rees and Superintendent Lefebvre answered questions of Trustees.

4. Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2016-2017

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education presented the proposal of the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2016-2017.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2016-2017, as presented.

CARRIED

5. Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 Update – February 2016

John Crocco, Director of Education and Senior Administrative Council presented the System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 Update – February 2016 for Trustee information.

Director Crocco and Senior Administrative Council answered questions of Trustees.

6. Design of System Priorities and Budget 2016-2017

Director Crocco presented the Design of System Priorities and Budget 2016-2017.

7. Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

Superintendent Iannantuono, presented the report on the Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities for information.

Superintendent Iannantuono and Superintendent Lefebvre answered questions of Trustees.

8. Monthly Updates

8.1 Capital Projects Update

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

8.2 Student Trustees' Update

Aidan Harold and Michaela Bodis Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

8.3 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Farrell

- At the February 5, 2015 Annual Partners Breakfast Nancy Cookson, Teacher at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School was awarded the Lincoln Fabrics Limited Annual Teacher Award for her role in the achievement of school-community collaboration.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 29, 2016

Director Crocco highlighted the Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 29, 2016 issue for Trustees information.

1.2 Calendar of Events – February 2016

Director Crocco presented the February 2016 Calendar of Events and reminded Trustees that Niagara Catholic will be closed for Family Day Monday, February 15, 2016.

1.3 OCSTA 86th Annual General Meeting & Conference, Collingwood

Director Crocco informed Trustees that rooms have been booked to the OCSTA 86th Annual General Meeting & Conference being held in Collingwood and noted the cancellation deadline of April 1, 2016.

1.4 CCSTA 2017 Niagara Falls – June 1-3, 2017 Planning Committee

Chair MacNeil provided an update on the CCSTA 2017 Niagara Falls – June 1-3, 2017 Planning Committee and distributed a list of committee positions for consideration of all Trustees.

Chair MacNeil requested that Trustees notify him by the February Board meeting.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

- 1.1 Director Crocco informed the Board that in addition to the regular update reports on the 2015-2016 System Priorities and Budget along with the Design of the 2016-2017 System Priorities Budget, Phase 2 of the Multi-Year Long Term Accommodations Plan is on schedule to present to the March Committee of the Whole meeting.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

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 8:25 p.m. and reconvened at 10:33 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 9, 2016.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

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 12, 2016, 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 12, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

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 F4.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F4.1)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F4.2 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F4.2)

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F4.3 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F4.3)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F4.4 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F4.4)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the February 9, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **February 9, 2016.**

Approved on **March 8, 2016.**

Kathy Burtnik
Vice-Chairperson of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer