



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 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 7:07 p.m. by Vice-Chair Burtnik for Chair MacNeil.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Fera

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chair Burtnik noted that Chair MacNeil will be late for the February 28, 2017 Board meeting.

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				
Kira Petriello	✓			
Nico Tripodi	✓			

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 Vernal
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of February 28, 2017, as amended:

ADDITION TO THE PUBLIC AGENDA

ITEM C4 - Catholic Leadership: Principal and Vice-Principal Selection Policy

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 January 31, 2017

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau
Seconded by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of January 31, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda Items

6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 14, 2017 and Consideration of Recommendations

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of February 14, as presented.

6.1.1 Assessment, Evaluation, Reporting and Homework Policy (301.10)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approval the Assessment, Evaluation, Reporting and Homework Policy (301.10), as presented.

6.1.2 Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approval the Student Suspension – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.4), as presented.

6.1.3 Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Student Expulsion – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.5), as presented.

6.1.4 Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars: 2017-2018

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars for the 2017-2018 school year, as presented.

6.1.5 Initial Staff Report: Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School and St. Charles Catholic Elementary School Modified Pupil Accommodation Review

Moved to Section C of the agenda.

6.2 Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of January 11, 2017

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of January 11, 2017, as presented.

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

Moved by Trustee Sicoli
Seconded by Trustee Fera

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

CARRIED

Trustee Vernal requested Item 6.1.5 be held. This item was moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C1b of the agenda.

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. School Excellence Program – St. Charles Catholic Elementary School

Director Crocco provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program. Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education introduced Susy Walsh, Principal of St. Charles Catholic Elementary School.

Principal Walsh, with the assistance of students and staff showcased St. Charles Catholic Elementary School as part of the School Excellence Program.

Vice-Chair Burtnik along with Trustee Vernal thanked Principal Walsh, the staff and students for their presentation and performance.

1b. Item 6.1.5 Initial Staff Report: Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School and St. Charles Catholic Elementary School Modified Pupil Accommodation Review

At the request of Trustee Vernal, Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education highlighted the Initial Staff Report: Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School and St. Charles Catholic Elementary School Modified Pupil Accommodation Review.

Superintendent Farrell answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Vernal

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Initial Staff Report - Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School and St. Charles Catholic Elementary Schools - Modified Pupil Accommodation Review , as presented; and

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board initiate a Modified Pupil Accommodation Review for Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary and St. Charles Catholic Elementary Schools in accordance with the Pupil Accommodation Review Policy 701.2.

CARRIED

2. Niagara Catholic Summer Camp 2017

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education introduced Jennifer Pirosko, Coordinator of Student Success. Ms. Pirosko presented the Niagara Catholic Summer Camp 2017 report for Trustee information.

Ms. Pirosko answered questions of Trustees.

Vice-Chair Burtnik thanked Ms. Pirosko for the report and the leadership in offering a Niagara Catholic Summer Camp 2017 for our students.

3. Financial Report 2016-2017 as at January 31, 2017

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Financial Report 2016-2017 for information.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

4. Catholic Leadership: Principal and Vice-Principal Selection Policy (202.2)

Trustee Vernal, Chair of the Policy Committee presented the Catholic Leadership: Principal and Vice-Principal Selection Policy (202.2).

Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Catholic Leadership: Principal and Vice-Principal Selection Policy (202.2), as presented.

CARRIED

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

Nil

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Student Trustees Nico Tripodi and Kira Petriello presented highlights of the OSTA-AECO Board Council Conference.

Chair MacNeil arrived to the meeting at this time and chaired the remainder of the Board meeting.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Director Crocco announced that Senior Administrative Council continues building the System Priorities and Balanced Budget 2017-2018 for presentation at the May 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the Design of the System Priorities and Budget 2017-2018 information session prior to the March 7, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting.

With the approval of the Modified Pupil Accommodations Review for Monsignor Clancy Catholic Elementary School and St. Charles Catholic Elementary School Senior Administrative Council will begin the process to meet the timelines approved by the Board.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – February 14, 2017

Director Crocco highlighted the February 14, 2017 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic

4.2 Calendar of Events – March 2017

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events - March 2017 for Trustees information

4.3 OCSTA Information – February 10, 17 and 24, 2017

Director Crocco highlighted the February 10, 17 and 24, 2017 OCSTA Information.

4.4 CCSTA 2017 AGM – June 1-3, 2017

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the CCSTA 2017 AGM being held in Niagara Falls on June 1-3, 2017 and asked Trustees to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant to Corporate Services & Communications.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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 8:19 p.m. and reconvened at 11:32 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of February 28, 2017.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 January 31, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 February 14, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 January 31, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Fera

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 February 14, 2017, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

The following motions were reported from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting - SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of February 14, 2017:

Moved by Trustee Nieuwesteeg

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the motion from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting – SECTION B: Student Trustees Excluded of F5.1

CARRIED (Item F5.1)

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the February 28, 2017 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 11:33 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **February 28, 2017**.

Approved on **March 28, 2017**.

Fr. Paul MacNeil
Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer