



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 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 MacNeil.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Sicoli.

2. Roll Call

Chair MacNeil noted that all Trustees and Student 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 | | | | |
| 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 O'Leary
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of October 23, 2018, as presented.

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 September 25, 2018

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau
Seconded by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 25, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED

6. Consent Agenda Items

6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 9, 2018 and Consideration of Recommendations

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of October 9, 2018, as presented.

6.1.1 Electronic Communications Systems (Employees) Policy (201.12)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Electronic Communications Systems (Employees) Policy (201.12), as presented.

6.1.2 Student Parenting Policy (302.5)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Student Parenting Policy (302.5), as presented.

6.1.3 Playground Equipment Policy (702.1)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Playground Equipment Policy (702.1), as presented.

6.1.4 Continuing Education Policy (400.1)

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Continuing Education Policy (400.1), as presented.

6.2 Approved Minutes of the Staff Wellness Committee Meeting of May 1, 2018

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Staff Wellness Committee Meeting of May 1, 2018, as presented for information.

6.3 Approved Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting of June 27, 2018

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting of June 27, 2018, as presented for information.

6.4 Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of September 5, 2018

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of September 5, 2018, as presented for information.

6.5 Appointment of Niagara Catholic Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Member 2014-2018

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board appoint the following local association representative to serve as a Special Education Advisory Committee member for the term of 2014-2018:

Ted Nangle (Primary Representative) – Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region.

6.6 Niagara Catholic Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meetings – Change in Start Time

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the change in start time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for all future Niagara Catholic Special Education Advisory Committee meetings, starting in November 2018.

6.7 Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2018-2019

Presented for information.

6.8 In-Camera Items F1, F2, F4, F5, F6.1, F6.2, F6.3, F7 & F8

Moved by Trustee Burtnik
Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

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

Yolanda Baldasaro, Superintendent of Education provided background information on the monthly School Excellence Program and introduced Christopher Kerho, Principal of St. Andrew Catholic Elementary School.

Principal Kerho showcased St. Andrew Catholic Elementary School as part of the School Excellence Program.

Chair MacNeil and Trustees O'Leary and Charbonneau thanked Principal Kerho for his presentation.

2. Financial Report as at September 30, 2018

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

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

Chair MacNeil, highlighted information contained in the letter of appreciation from OCSTA.

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Chair MacNeil noted that great dialogue took place at the OCSTA Regional Seminar.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

3.1 The continued implementation of the System Priorities 2018-2019.

3.2 The Financial Statements for 2017-2018 are being finalized for future reports to the Committee of the Whole and Board.

3.3 Reports on the Library Information Centre Services and the Joint Use School in Wainfleet will be presented at the November Committee of the Whole meeting.

3.4 Work on a Board Submission to the Province of Ontario on Education Reform in Ontario.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – October 9, 2018

Director Crocco highlighted the October 9, 2018 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic.

4.2 Calendar of Events – November 2018

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events – November 2018 for Trustees information.

4.3 Ontario Legislative Highlights – October 5, 12, & 19, 2018

Director Crocco highlighted the Ontario Legislative Highlights of October 5, 12 and 19, 2018.

4.4 October 17, 2018 OCSTA Memorandum – Education Development Charges Update

Scott Whitwell, Controller of Facilities Services highlighted the OCSTA Memorandum regarding the Education Development Charges Update in relation to Niagara Catholic's Education Development Charges.

Controller Whitwell answered questions of Trustees.

4.5 October 17, 2018 OCSTA Memorandum – Update: Cannabis Legalization and Resources for School Boards

Director Crocco presented an update on the Cannabis Legalization and Resources for School Boards and noted that Niagara Catholics' Safe Schools Policies will be updated as required.

Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

4.6 Pilgrimage Sunday – October 28, 2018

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the upcoming Pilgrimage Sunday taking place on Sunday, October 28, 2018.

Trustees who wish to attend Pilgrimage Sunday were asked to contact the secondary school.

Director Crocco recognized and congratulated Student Trustees Bilodeau and McKinney for their leadership as co-chairs of the Student Senate and as emcees and hosts of the Ontario Catholic Student Leadership Conference 2018. A report on the conference will be presented at an upcoming meeting.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

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 7:39 p.m. and reconvened at 9:38 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of October 23, 2018.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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 September 25, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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 October 9, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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 September 25, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

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 October 9, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Charbonneau

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the recommendation as outlined in Item F6.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F6.1)

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Charbonneau

Seconded by Trustee Vernal

THAT the October 23, 2018 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **October 23, 2018**.

Approved on **November 27, 2018**.

Fr. Paul MacNeil
Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer