



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, January 29, 2019, 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 Chair Fera.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Fera

2. Roll Call

Chair Fera noted that Trustees Huibers, Moody and Sicoli joined electronically and Student Trustee McKinney asked to be excused.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Larry Huibers		✓		
Daniel Moody		✓		
Leanne Prince	✓			
Dino Sicoli		✓		
Paul Turner	✓			
<b>Student Trustees</b>				
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 Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of January 29, 2019, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

A Disclosure of Interest was declared by Trustees Fera, Huibers and Moody with sections of Item F8.2 of the In Camera Agenda. These trustees have family members who are employees of the Board. They left the meeting during discussion of this item.

**5. Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting of December 18, 2018**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of December 18, 2018, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Consent Agenda Items**

**6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 15, 2019 and Consideration of Recommendations**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of January 15, 2019, as presented.

**6.1.1 Proposed Joint-Use School Wainfleet – Staff Report**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board, pending the approval of a new Joint-Use School Agreement in Wainfleet with the District School Board of Niagara approves a Niagara Catholic District School Board/District School Board of Niagara new Joint-Use School, and with the receipt of Ministry of Education approval for capital funding, as amended.

**6.1.2 Design of System Priorities and Budget 2019-2020 Consultation and Collaboration Schedule**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the report on the Design of System Priorities and Budget 2019-2020 Consultation and Collaboration Schedule, as presented.

**6.1.3 Board Committee Membership 2019**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Board Committee Membership 2019, as presented.

**6.2 Approved Minutes of the Staff Wellness Committee Meeting of October 2, 2018**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Staff Wellness Committee Meeting of October 2, 2018, as presented for information.

**6.3 Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) of November 1, 2018**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of November 1, 2018, as presented for information

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

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

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

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

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

**CARRIED**

**B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Niagara Catholic System Priorities Mid-Year Achievement Report 2018-2019**

Director Crocco, on behalf of Senior Administrative Staff highlighted the Niagara Catholic System Priorities Mid-Year Achievement Report 2018-2019.

Director Crocco congratulated students, staff and the Board for the impressive achievement report on the multitude of focused initiatives for 2018-2019 to achieve the Board approved System Priorities and the Board's Vision 2020 Strategic Plan.

**2. Financial Report as at December 31, 2018**

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

## **D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS**

### **1. Correspondence**

Director Crocco highlighted information contained in the following letters:

**1.1 Letter from The Apostolic Nuncio**

**1.2 Letter from Shibley Righton LLP**

### **2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended**

Deferred to the February 12, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

### **3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action**

Director Crocco announced that staff is on schedule to continue to bring update reports on the design of the System Priorities and Budget for 2019-2020 as well as reports on the Boards long range plans to future Committee of the Whole meetings.

With the Board's approval of the Joint-Use school in Wainfleet, and with no requests to delegate to the January Board meeting, staff will inform the District School Board of Niagara and begin the next step in the process.

### **4. Trustee Information**

#### **4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 15, 2019**

Director Crocco highlighted the January 15, 2019 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic.

#### **4.2 Calendar of Events – February 2019**

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events – February 2019 for Trustees information.

Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education highlighted the Giving from the Heart out of Love: Kids Helping Kids Campaign taking place from February 11 to March 1, 2019.

#### **4.3 Pathways Speaker Summit – February 6, 2019**

Director Crocco extended an invitation to Trustees to attend the Pathways Speaker Summit on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at Club Italia.

#### **4.4 Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education's Annual Benefit Gala – March 30, 2019**

Director Crocco presented the Annual Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education's Benefit Gala flyer and extended an invitation to Trustees.

Trustees wishing to attend can purchase tickets by contacting Sherry Morena.

#### **4.5 CCSTA 2019 AGM – May 30, 2019 to June 1, 2019**

Director Crocco presented the CCSTA 2019 AGM registration package and asked Trustees wishing to attend to contact Anna Pisano.

#### **4.6 OCSTA Memorandum – Municipal Governance Review**

Director Crocco highlighted the OCSTA Memorandum regarding Municipal Governance Review.

Director Crocco announced that Blaine MacDougall, Principal of Cardinal Newman Catholic Elementary School was nominated by staff at St. Michael Catholic Elementary School for Canada's Outstanding Principals Program. Principal MacDougall was recognized as one of 30 exceptional educators from across Canada as one of Canada's Outstanding Principals of 2019.

Director Crocco also announced that the Board received notification from Forbes Magazine and Statista, an analytics firm, that "Niagara Catholic District School Board has been recognized as one of Canada's Best Employers 2019".

Chair Fera offered congratulations and noted it was quite an accomplishment and testament to the Board.

#### **5. Open Question Period**

None Submitted

### **E. NOTICES OF MOTION**

- 1. Board Involvement in Appointment and of Personnel to Leadership Positions**
- 2. Building on Today Survey**

In accordance with the Board Bylaws Item 21, Section xiii (c), the Notices of Motion will be presented to the February 26, 2019 Board meeting.

### **F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik  
Seconded by Trustee Moody

**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 7:35 p.m. and reconvened at 9:02 p.m.

### **G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik  
Seconded by Trustee Moody

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of January 29, 2019.

**CARRIED**

## **SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT**

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

**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 December 18, 2018, as presented.

### **CARRIED (Item F1)**

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

**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 January 15, 2019, as presented.

### **CARRIED (Item F2)**

## **SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

**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 December 18, 2018, as presented.

### **CARRIED (Item F4)**

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

**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 January 15, 2019, as presented.

### **CARRIED (Item F5)**

## **H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

## **I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE**

## **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Prince  
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the January 29, 2019 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

### **CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

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Approved on **February 26, 2019.**

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Frank Fera  
Chair of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer