



## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, February 26, 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 7:00 p.m. by Chair Fera.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Prince

2. Roll Call

Chair Fera noted that Trustees Burtnik, Huibers and Turner joined electronically.

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**, 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 Moody  
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board defer Item E1 to March 26, 2019 Board Meeting.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Trustee Turner  
Seconded by Trustee Huibers

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board defer Item E2 to March 26, 2019 Board Meeting.

**CARRIED**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Moody

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of February 26, 2019, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

Disclosures of Interest were declared by Trustees Fera, Huibers and Moody with Item F8 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**

**5.1 January 29, 2019**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Moody

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

**CARRIED**

**5.2 February 19, 2019**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli  
Seconded by Trustee Moody

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 19, 2019, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Consent Agenda Items**

**6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 12, 2019 and Consideration of Recommendations**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of February 12, 2019, as presented.

**6.1.1 Transportation and School Operations for Inclement Weather Policy (500.1)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Transportation and School Operations for Inclement Weather Policy (500.1), as presented.

**6.1.2 Employee Attendance During Inclement Weather and Workplace Closure Policy (201.9)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Employee Attendance During Inclement Weather and Workplace Closure Policy (201.9), as presented.

**6.1.3 Student Senate – Secondary Policy (100.6.1)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Student Senate – Secondary Policy (100.6.1), as presented.

**6.1.4 Student Senate – Elementary Policy (100.6.2)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Student Senate – Elementary Policy (100.6.2), as presented.

**6.1.5 Supporting Children and Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions Policy**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Supporting Children and Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions Policy, as presented.

**6.1.6 Student Transportation Policy (500.2)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Student Transportation Policy (500.2), as presented.

**6.1.7 Fundraising Policy (301.4)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Fundraising Policy (301.4), as presented.

**6.1.8 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) Policy (400.4)**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) Policy (400.4), as presented.

**6.1.9 Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2019-2020**

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars for the 2019-2020 school year, as presented.

**6.2 Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange**

Presented for information.

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

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

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

**CARRIED**

**B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Financial Report as at January 31, 2019**

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

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

**1. Correspondence**

Nil

**2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended**

Nil Report

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

- Continued focus on achieving all of 2018-2019 System Priorities.
- Consultation process is underway for the 2019-2020 System Priorities and Budget with a draft to be presented at the May Committee of the Whole meeting for consideration.
- Staff is working on a draft Joint-Use School Agreement for Wainfleet with the District School Board of Niagara. Once the draft agreement is completed it will be brought to the Board for review and consideration for approval.

**4. Trustee Information**

**4.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – February 19, 2019**

Director Crocco highlighted the February 19, 2019 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic.

**4.2 Calendar of Events – March 2019**

Director Crocco reviewed the Calendar of Events – March 2019 for Trustees information and noted that the Committee of the Whole Meeting for March will be March 5, 2019 as previously approved.

Director Crocco reminded Trustees wishing to attend the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education's Annual Benefit Gala on March 30, 2019 to contact Sherry Morena for tickets.

#### **4.3 Speak Out – March 5, 2019**

Director Crocco extended an invitation to Trustees to the March 5, 2019 Speak Out taking place at 5:45 prior to the March 5, 2019 Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### **4.4 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Technological Skills Competition – March 7, 2019**

Director Crocco presented the invitation to the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Technological Skills Competition being held on March 7, 2019.

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

None Submitted

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

Deferred to March 26, 2019

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

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

Moved by Trustee Prince

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 7:22 p.m. and reconvened at 8:23 p.m.

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

Moved by Trustee Prince

Seconded by Trustee Moody

**THAT** the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of February 26, 2019.

**CARRIED**

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

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 29, 2019, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 19, 2019, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F2)**

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

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 29, 2019, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F4)**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder  
Seconded by Trustee Prince

**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 19, 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 Burkholder

**THAT** the February 26, 2019 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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Approved on **March 26, 2019**.

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Frank Fera  
Chair of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer