



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2016

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, May 10, 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-Chair 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 Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 10, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared by Trustee Fera with Items F6.1.1, F6.2.2 and F6.3.1 and Trustee O'Leary with Items F6.2.1 and F6.2.2 of the In Camera Agenda. These trustees have family members who are teachers, or 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 April 12, 2016

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 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 April 26, 2016

Moved by Trustee Vernal

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

CARRIED

1.2 Approval of Policies

Policy Committee Chair Vernal presented the Policy Committee recommendations to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

1.2.1 Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.3)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Access to Board Premises – Safe Schools Policy (302.6.3), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.2 Reimbursement of Travel Expenses Policy (201.4)

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Reimbursement of Travel Expenses Policy (201.4), as presented.

CARRIED

1.2.3 Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5)

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revised Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5), as presented.

CARRIED

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board that with the approval of the Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5), all references to Administrative Guidelines in current Board Policies be changed to Administrative Procedures.

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.

2. Consolidated Long Term Accommodation Plan

Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education presented the Niagara Catholic District School Board – Long Term Accommodation Plan – 2016-2021 report.

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends to the Niagara Catholic District School Board the endorsement of the Long Term Accommodation Plan Report, Phase One, Two and Three, as presented.

CARRIED

Vice-Chair Burtnik thanked staff for all their efforts.

3. Revised Health and Physical Education Family Life Curriculum Supplemental Resources

Mark Lefebvre, Superintendent of Education introduced Terri Pauco, Religion and Family Life Consultant. Ms. Pauco presented the Revised Health and Physical Education Family Life Curriculum Supplemental Resources report.

Ms. Pauco answered questions of Trustees.

Chair McNeil and Vice-Chair Burtnik expressed their gratitude to Ms. Pauco and her colleagues who represented Niagara Catholic on the provincial writing team.

4. Niagara Catholic District School Board Level Graduation Rates for the 2010-2011 Grade 9 Cohort

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education presented the Niagara Catholic District School Board Level Graduation Rates for the 2010-2011 Grade 9 Cohort report which included the 2015 Graduation Rates, for all District School Boards in Ontario as provided by the Ministry of Education.

5. Vision 2020 Strategic Plan Check-In

Superintendent Forsyth-Sells introduced Christine Battagli, Consultant-Research, Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting, who presented the Vision 2020 Strategic Plan Check-In report.

Vice-Chair Burtnik thanked Ms. Battagli for the implementation of the Check-In and the presentation of the feedback as part of the planning for 2016 to 2020.

6. Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2016-2017

Director Crocco highlighted the report and the recommended Board and Committee meeting dates for 2016-2017.

Director Crocco announced once the Board approves the Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar, the calendar will be communicated to the system, Niagara Catholic families and all our partners.

Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Niagara Catholic District School Board the approval of the Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2016-2017, as presented.

CARRIED

7. Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities - 2016

Frank Iannantuono, Superintendent of Education/Human Resources, presented the report on the Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities for information.

8. Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016 Update – April 2016

Director Crocco and Senior Administrative Council provided an update on the Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2015-2016.

Director Crocco and Senior Administrative Council answered questions of Trustees.

9. Report on the 2016-2017 Balanced Board Budget

Director Crocco and Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Report on the 2016-2017 Balanced Board Budget.

Director Crocco and Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

Moved by Trustee Vernal

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Report on the 2016-2017 Annual Balanced Budget, as presented for information.

CARRIED

10. Monthly Updates

10.1 Capital Projects Update

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

10.2 Student Trustees' Update

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

10.3 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Baldasaro

- All three Niagara Catholic Schools in Grimsby; Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School, St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School and Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School, will be participating in a Go Green Walk to School Day encouraging their students and staff to walk or bike to school. This program is linked to the national School Travel Planning program.

Superintendent Lafebvre

- Cardinal Newman Catholic Elementary School had a successful Walk to School Event with a total of 228 students who either walked or biked to school.
- Niagara Catholic students competed at the Ontario Technological Skills Competition in Waterloo and received three gold, three silver and two bronze. Alex DiPaola from Notre Dame College School and Justin Schulz from Lakeshore Catholic High School now advance to the Skills Canada National Competition taking place in Moncton, BC.

Director Crocco

- The four Catholic Educational Congresses were well attended with notes taken at break out sessions, facilitated by parents and staff, to be compiled and sent to schools as part of next years parish, school, home and community sessions.
- Fr. Tom Rosica, CEO of Salt and Light Television will be showcasing Niagara Catholic with a feature on Salt and Light. The program will highlight the Lakeshore Catholic High School students designing religious Icons, Niagara Catholic's unique Elementary and Secondary Chaplaincy Leader Program, the Journey Program, and the Pope Francis Centre.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – April 29, 2016

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

1.2 Calendar of Events – May 2016

Director Crocco presented the May 2016 Calendar of Events for Trustees information.

Director Crocco reminded Trustees of the May 19, 2015 Graduation celebration being held at the Gale Centre in Niagara Falls at 10:00 a.m., and the Partners in Catholic Education being held at the Americana at 5:30 p.m.

1.3 Graduation Dates June 2016

Director Crocco highlighted the Graduation dates for June 2016.

Director Crocco presented information on the 2016 Elementary & Secondary School Graduation Dates, times and locations, and informed Trustees that Elementary Principals would be in direct contact with them regarding invitations and any request to present awards.

Director Crocco requested that Trustees inform Anna Pisano, Administrative Assistant to Corporate Services & Communications if they would like to bring greetings at their family of Schools graduations. Ms. Pisano will inform the Principal.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

- 1.1 Director Crocco informed the Board that Senior Administrative Council continues to design the balanced budget for 2016-2017 to meet the Board approved System Priorities and the goals of the Ministry of Education, and will be presenting a draft Facilities Partnership Plan at the June Committee of the Whole meeting.

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

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 8:59 p.m. and reconvened at 11:18 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

THAT the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 10, 2016.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Fera

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 April 12, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

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 F4.1 of the In Camera Agenda.

CARRIED (Item F4.1)

Moved by Trustee O'Leary

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 Sicoli

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 Nieuwesteeg

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 April 12, 2016, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Fera

THAT the May 10, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 11:19 p.m.

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Approved on **June 14, 2016.**