



## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 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 6:30 p.m. by Vice-Chair Sicoli.

### A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Student Trustees Jade Bilodeau and Luca DiPietro.

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chair Sicoli noted that Trustee Burtnik joined electronically and Trustee Moody 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           | ✓       |                        |        |         |
| Luca DiPietro           | ✓       |                        |        |         |

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; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate Services & Communications

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 11, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

No Declaration of Conflict of Interest was declared with any items on the Agenda.

**5. Approval of Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 14, 2020**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 14, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**6. Consent Agenda Items**

**6.1 Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 28, 2020**

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of January 28, 2020, as presented.

**6.2 Approval of Policies**

**6.2.1 Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5)**

**THAT** the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Establishment and Cyclical Review of Policies Policy (100.5), as presented.

**6.2.2 Trustee Electronic Meetings (Board and Committees) Policy (100.8)**

**THAT** the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Trustee Electronic Meetings (Board and Committees) Policy (100.8), as presented.

**6.2.3 Code of Conduct Policy (302.6.2)**

**THAT** the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Code of Conduct Policy (302.6.2), as presented.

**6.2.4 Purchasing/Supply Chain Management Policy (600.1)**

**THAT** the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Purchasing/Supply Chain Management Policy (600.1), as presented.

**6.2.5 Volunteering in Catholic Schools Policy (800.9)**

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Volunteering in Catholic Schools Policy (800.9), as presented.

**6.3 Financial Investments as of December 31, 2019**

Presented for information.

**6.4 Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars 2020-2021**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented.

**6.5 Extended Overnight Field Trip, Excursion and Exchange Approval Committee 2019-2020**

Presented for information.

**6.6 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities**

Presented for information.

**6.7 Capital Projects Progress Report Update**

Presented for information.

**6.8 In Camera Items F1 and F3**

Moved by Trustee Turner

THAT the Committee of the Whole adopt consent agenda items.

**CARRIED**

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

**C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2019-2020/2020-2021**

Director Crocco and members of Senior Administrative Council presented Committee of the Whole System Priorities and Budget 2019-2020/2020-2021 report.

Director Crocco answered questions of Trustees.

**2. Applied Behavioural Analyses Support Model**

Pat Rocca, Superintendent of Education presented the Applied Behavioural Analyses Support Model report for Trustee information. Superintendent Rocca introduced the Student Support Department and welcomed Julia Nemcko, Niagara Catholics ABA Supervisor.

Ms. Nemcko further presented the ABA Support Model.

Superintendent Rocca and Ms. Nemcko answered questions of Trustees.

**3. Accountability Financial Report 2019-2020 – as of January 31, 2020**

Giancarlo Vetrone, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services presented the Accountability Financial Report 2019-2020 as of January 31, 2020.

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

**4. Monthly Updates**

**4.1 Student Trustees' Update**

Jade Bilodeau and Luca DiPietro, Student Trustees, presented a brief verbal update on the current activities of the Student Senate.

**4.2 Senior Staff Good News Update**

Senior Staff highlights included:

**Director Crocco**

- Niagara Catholic District School Board, in partnership with Mohawk College and eight other school boards participated in the signing of a Climate Change Leaders Memorandum of Understanding. This initiative will assist students toward new co-op placements, Specialist High Skills Major apprenticeship opportunities, and careers. Director Crocco acknowledged Student Trustee Jade Bilodeau, who spoke on behalf of students.

**D. INFORMATION**

**1. Trustee Information**

Trustee Turner shared that Jeff Sinclair would be available to speak to Principals regarding the homeless issue in Niagara.

Trustee Turner noted the Development and Peace workshop taking place at Holy Rosary Church on February 27, 2020 would be a great opportunity for secondary school students. Director Crocco indicated that representatives from our schools would be in attendance.

Trustee Turner announced the Julia's Hope Cup taking place Saturday, February 15, 2020 and extended an invitation to attend.

Director Crocco confirmed presentation of items D1.4 to D1.2 for the information or questions of Trustees.

**1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – January 28, 2020**

**1.2 Calendar of Events – February 2020**

**E. OTHER BUSINESS**

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

- 1.1 Continued implementation of this year's system Priorities.
- 1.2 Consultation towards the designing of the System Priorities and Budget for 2020-2021.

## **F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA**

Moved by Trustee Prince

**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 7:55 p.m. and reconvened at 8:34 p.m.

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

Moved by Trustee Prince

**THAT** the Committee of the Whole report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 11, 2020.

**CARRIED**

### **SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED**

Moved by Trustee Turner

**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 January 14, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F1)**

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

Moved by Trustee Turner

**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 January 14, 2020, as presented.

**CARRIED (Item F3)**

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Turner

**THAT** the February 11, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

This meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **February 11, 2020.**

Approved on **March 10, 2020.**

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Dino Sicoli  
Vice-Chair of the Board

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John Crocco  
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer