



MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019

Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held on Tuesday, October 8, 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 6:30 p.m. by Vice-Chair Sicoli.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Opening Prayer

Opening Prayer was led by Trustee Fera

2. Roll Call

Vice-Chair Sicoli noted that Trustee Turner was asked to be excused and Superintendent Farrell was excused.

Trustee	Present	Present Electronically	Absent	Excused
Rhianon Burkholder	✓			
Kathy Burtnik	✓			
Frank Fera	✓			
Larry Huibers	✓			
Daniel Moody	✓			
Leanne Prince	✓			
Dino Sicoli	✓			
Paul Turner				✓
Student Trustees				
Jade Bilodeau	✓			
Luca DiPietro	✓			

The following staff were in attendance:

John Crocco, Director of Education; **Yolanda Baldasaro**, **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 Prince

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Agenda of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 8, 2019, 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 September 10, 2019**

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 10, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED

6. **Consent Agenda Items**

6.1 **Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 24, 2019**

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the Unapproved Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of September 24, 2019, as presented.

6.2 **Approval of Policies**

6.2.1 **Employee Workplace Harassment Policy (201.7)**

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Employee Workplace Harassment Policy (201.7), as presented.

6.2.2 **Emergency Instructors Elementary Policy (NEW)**

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Emergency Instructors Elementary Policy, as presented.

6.2.3 **Catholic Leadership: Supervisory Officer & Controller of Facilities Selection Policy (NEW)**

THAT the Policy Committee recommend to the Committee of the Whole approval of the Catholic Leadership: Supervisory Officer & Controller of Facilities Selection Policy, as presented.

6.3 **Annual Reports for Catholic School Councils and the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee 2018-2019**

Presented for information.

6.4 Staff Development Department Professional Development Opportunities

Presented for information.

6.5 Capital Projects Progress Report Update

Presented for information.

6.6 In Camera Items F1 and F3

Moved by Trustee Huibers

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 Update

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

Director Crocco and Senior Staff answered questions of Trustees.

2. Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) 2018-2019 Results for Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT), Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary Division and Junior Division

Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells, Superintendent of Education presented the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) 2018-2019 Results for Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT), Grade 9 Assessment of Mathematics and Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary Division and Junior Division report for Trustee information.

Director Crocco and Senior Staff answered questions of Trustees.

3. Niagara Catholic District School Board Level Graduation Rates for the 2013-2014 Grade 9 Cohort – August 2018

Superintendent Forsyth-Sells presented the Niagara Catholic District School Board Level Graduation Rates for the 2013-2014 Grade 9 Cohort – August 2018 report for Trustee information.

4. Accountability Financial Report 2019-2020 as of September 30, 2019

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

Superintendent Vetrone answered questions of Trustees.

5. Monthly Updates

5.1 Student Trustees' Update

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

5.2 Senior Staff Good News Update

Senior Staff highlights included:

Superintendent Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells

- St. Christopher Catholic Elementary School has received a Community Development Grant of \$5,266. 38 from Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities. Niagara Catholic is working with YMCA Niagara to coordinate the Jumpstart PLAY (Physical Literacy Academy for Youth) after school program two days a week for ten weeks. Students in Grades 1 to 3 will have opportunities to learn and practice fundamental physical literacy skills. Physical activities will focus on skill development, social engagement and fun. Students will also build healthy literacy skills and enjoy healthy snacks during this program. Principal Morawek has reported that 16 students have registered for this program.

D. INFORMATION

1. Trustee Information

Director Crocco confirmed the presentation of items D1.4 to D1.6 for the information or questions of Trustees and highlighted for discussion items D1.3 and D1.6.

1.1 Spotlight on Niagara Catholic – September 24, 2019

1.2 Calendar of Events – October 2019

1.3 Knights of Columbus Bishop's Charities Dinner – October 19, 2019

Director Crocco highlighted the Knights of Columbus Bishop's Charities Dinner being held on October 19, 2019.

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano.

1.4 OCSTA Memorandum – 2020 OCSTA Trustee Award of Merit

1.5 OCSTA Memorandum – 2020 OCSTA Student Trustee Alumni Award

A motion was presented to nominate former Student Trustee Dr. Robert Murray for the 2020 OCSTA Student Trustee Alumni Award.

Moved by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Niagara Catholic District School Board support the nomination of Dr. Robert Murray for the 2020 OCSTA Student Trustee Alumni Award.

CARRIED

1.6 OCSTA 2020 Catholic Trustees Seminar – January 17-18, 2019

Director Crocco highlighted the OCSTA 2020 Catholic Trustees Seminar scheduled for January 17-18, 2019

Trustees were asked to confirm their attendance with Anna Pisano in order to ensure room bookings.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

1. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

- 1.1 Director Crocco informed the Board of the continued implementation of the System Priorities and that Senior Staff are working on various reports and the formation of committees as per the direction of the Board.

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 7:29 p.m. and reconvened at 8:57 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 October 8, 2019.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES INCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Huibers

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 September 10, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Huibers

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 September 10, 2019, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F3)

H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Prince

THAT the October 8, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **October 8, 2019.**

Approved on **November 12, 2019.**

Dino Sicoli
Vice-Chair of the Board

John Crocco
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer