



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2021

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board, held electronically on Tuesday, June 15, 2021.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Huibers.

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. **Land Recognition**

Land Recognition statement was delivered by Student Trustee DiPietro.

2. **Opening Prayer**

Opening Prayers were led by Trustee Burkholder

3. **Roll Call**

Chair Huibers noted that all Trustees and Student Trustees were in attendance.

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

The following staff were in attendance:

Camillo Cipriano, Director of Education; **Ted Farrell**, **Lee Ann Forsyth-Sells**, **Kimberly Kinney**, **Gino Pizzoferrato**, Superintendents of Education; **Giancarlo Vetrone**, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services; **Clark Euale**, Controller of Facilities Services; **Anna Pisano**, Recording Secretary/Administrative Assistant, Corporate

4. **Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Burkholder

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Agenda of the Board Meeting of June 15, 2021, as amended:

ADDITION TO THE PUBLIC AGENDA

ITEM 7.5 Trustee Code of Conduct Policy (100.12)

CARRIED

5. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

No Disclosures of Interest were declared with any items on the Agenda.

6. **Approval of Minutes of the Board Meeting**

6.1 **May 25, 2021**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of May 25, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED

6.2 **June 8, 2021**

Moved by Trustee Sicoli

Seconded by Trustee Burtnik

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of June 8, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED

7. **Consent Agenda Items**

Trustee Prince requested Items A7.1.3 & A7.5 be held. These items were moved to Committee and Staff Reports Section C5 of the agenda.

7.1 **Unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 8, 2021 and Consideration of Recommendations**

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved Minutes of the Committee of the Whole of June 8, 2021, as presented.

6.1.1 **Larkin Estate Admission Awards 2021-2022**

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the payment of \$3,825.00 for Larkin Estate Admission Awards for eligible students, as presented.

6.1.2 The Provisions of Special Education Programs and Services – Special Education Plan Revisions

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the revisions, as set out in Appendix A to be included in the Special Education Plan, Building Bridges and Services 2021 and Beyond, as presented.

6.1.3 Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2021-2022

Moved to Section C5.

6.1.4 Niagara Catholic Theological Theme 2021-2022

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Niagara Catholic Theological Theme 2021-2022, “Climbing Mountains Together in Faith” as presented.

7.2 Executive Council Power – July & August 2021

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board empower Executive Council to approve any actions, of an emergency nature, recommended by the Director of Education, if a quorum cannot be achieved after a Special Meeting of the Board is called as per Board By-Laws, during the months of July and August 2021.

7.3 Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Meeting of DATE

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the Approved Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of DATE, as presented.

7.4 Approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (NCPIC) of May 5, 2021

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board receive the approved Minutes of the Niagara Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of May 5, 2021, as presented for information

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

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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

CARRIED

B. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Student Trustees and Co-Chairs – Student Senate 2020-2021 Appreciation

Director Cipriano expressed gratitude to Student Trustee Luca DiPietro for his strong leadership. He listed the many achievements Luca has accomplished and wished him well as he embarks on this new chapter of his life.

Trustees Fera, Burkholder, Turner, Moody, Burtnik, Prince, Sicoli and Chair Huibers acknowledged Luca's many attributes. They noted; Luca demonstrates virtues of trust honesty and integrity; the humility and love for his fellow students is evident and magnified; his faithful service and generosity of spirit is apparent; he demonstrated qualities of leadership, responsibility, diligence and commitment to our faith and is the epitome of what a Catholic Student Trustee is and should be. They wished him the very best in his future endeavors.

Student Trustee Sydney Yott expressed appreciation to Luca for his mentorship and guidance. She stated how blessed she is to not only have him as a Co-Student Trustee and a colleague but also a friend.

Luca expressed his appreciation for all the kind words and for being a part of the Niagara Catholic family for the past two years. Luca noted the bonds that have been created with Trustees and staff will last a life time. Luca thanked all who played a part in his journey, for their support, mentorship, kindness, encouragement and friendship.

C. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

1. Niagara Catholic EcoSchools Program 2020-2021

Clark Euale, Controller of Facilities Services provided background information on the Niagara Catholic EcoSchools Program 2020-2021 and introduced Elizabeth Davies, Administrative Assistant and EcoSchools Lead.

Ms. Davies presented the Niagara Catholic EcoSchools Program 2020-2021 for Trustee information.

Ms. Davies answered questions of Trustees.

2. Capital Priorities Submissions 2021

Controller Euale presented the Capital Priorities Submissions 2021 for Trustee information.

Controller Euale answered questions of Trustees.

3. Turf Field Update 2020-2021

Controller Euale presented the Turf Field Update 2020-2021 for Trustee information.

Controller Euale answered questions of Trustees.

4. Request to Name the Music Room at Notre Dame College School – Ralph Defazio Music Centre

Ted Farrell, Superintendent of Education presented the report to Request to Name the Music Room at Notre Dame College School the Ralph Defazio Music Centre.

Discussion took place.

Moved by Trustee Frank Fera

Seconded by Trustee Daniel Moody

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Naming Request – Ralph DeFazio Music Centre at Notre Dame College School.

A recorded vote was taken on the motion.

NAME	YEA	NAY
Rhianon Burkholder	✓	
Kathy Burtnik	✓	
Frank Fera	✓	
Larry Huibers	✓	
Daniel Moody	✓	
Leanne Prince	✓	
Dino Sicoli	✓	
Paul Turner	✓	
STUDENT TRUSTEES (Non-Binding)		
Luca DiPietro	✓	
Sydney Yott	✓	

CARRIED

5. Consent Agenda Item A7.1.3 and A7.5

5.1 Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2021-2022

Discussion took place regarding moving Policy Committee meetings to the 2nd Tuesdays of each month prior to the Committee of the Whole meetings.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Board and Committee Meeting Dates Calendar 2021-2022, as amended.

CARRIED

5.2 Trustee Code of Conduct Policy (100.12)

Policy Committee Chair Prince presented the Trustee Code of Conduct Policy (100.12) for the consideration of the Board.

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board approve the Trustee Code of Conduct Policy (100.12) as presented.

CARRIED

D. TRUSTEE ITEMS, OPEN QUESTION PERIOD & OTHER BUSINESS

1. Correspondence

Director Cipriano highlighted information contained in the following correspondence:

- 1.1 Email from Lisa J. Simpson
- 1.2 Letter from Elizabeth Delisle
- 1.3 Email from Greg Martin
- 1.4 Letter from Margie and Phil Maloney
- 1.5 Email from Lisa Rossi

2. Report on Trustee Conferences Attended

Trustee Prince provided an update on the CCSTA AGM

Trustee Burtnik extended congratulations to Trustee Prince who has been named as Chair of the Communications Committee of CCSTA.

3. General Discussion to Plan for Future Action

Director Cipriano reminded Trustees of the budget workshop scheduled for Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. and a Special Board meeting following the workshop at 6:30 p.m.

4. Trustee Information

4.1 Calendar of Events – September 2021

Director Cipriano highlighted the September 2021 Calendar of Events.

4.2 OCSTA 2021 Fall Regional Meeting – September 21, 2021

Director Cipriano noted the September 21, 2021 OCSTA 2021 Fall Regional Meeting.

5. Open Question Period

None Submitted

E. NOTICES OF MOTION

1. NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMISSION

None Submitted

2. NOTICE OF MOTION PRESENTATION

2.1 Environmental Notice

Trustee Prince requested Student Trustees Luca DiPietro and Sydney Yott present the Environmental Notice of Motion.

Student Trustees DiPietro and Yott presented the Environmental Notice of Motion.

Moved by Trustee Prince

Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board commit to beginning conversations with cafeteria suppliers at all board sites before their next contract renewal in order to transition from the use of food and beverages packaged in plastic containers, and discontinue the use of single-use plastic utensils and straws at all board sites by September 2023;

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board ban all single-use plastics from all board sites and encourage staff and students to use reusable food and drink containers beginning in September 2022.

CARRIED

F. BUSINESS IN CAMERA

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Turner

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 8:18 p.m. and reconvened at 9:16 p.m.

G. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Turner

THAT the Niagara Catholic District School Board report the motions from the In Camera Session of the Board Meeting of June 15, 2021.

CARRIED

SECTION A: STUDENT TRUSTEES PRESENT

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 May 25, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F1)

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 June 8, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F2)

SECTION B: STUDENT TRUSTEES EXCLUDED

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 May 25, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F4)

Moved by Trustee Prince
Seconded by Trustee Sicoli

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 June 8, 2021, as presented.

CARRIED (Item F5)

H. FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

I. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR LIFE

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Burkholder

Seconded by Trustee Prince

THAT the June 15, 2021 meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board be adjourned.

CARRIED

This meeting was adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Niagara Catholic District School Board held on **June 15, 2021**.

Approved on **September 28, 2021**.

Larry Huibers
Chair of the Board

Camillo Cipriano
Director of Education/Secretary -Treasurer