



**BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK
Catholic District School Board**

Minutes
Tuesday, October 20, 2009
Committee of the Whole
Catholic Education Center
322 Fairview Drive
Brantford, ON N3T 5M8

PRESENT AT MEETING:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Joe McPherson, Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

1.1 OPENING PRAYER:

The meeting was opened with a prayer.

1.2 ATTENDANCE

Trustees: Dennis Blake, Cliff Casey, Dan Dignard, Bonnie McKinnon,
Joe McPherson and June Szeman
Student Trustee: Chris Radojewski
Administration: Cathy Horgan, Director of Education and Secretary, Wally Easton,
Associate Director and Treasurer; Bill Chopp, Trish Kings, Chris
Roehrig, Superintendents of Education and Claire Dodgson,
Recording Secretary

2. ROUTINE MATTERS

2.1 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolved:

On the motion of Bonnie McKinnon and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the agenda of the October 20, 2009 meeting.

CARRIED

2.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: Nil

**2.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE –
SEPTEMBER 22, 2009**

Resolved:

On the motion of June Szeman and Dan Dignard, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of September 22, 2009.

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2.4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Nil

3. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS: Nil



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4. COMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

**4.1 APPROVED SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES –
SEPTEMBER 9, 2009**

Dennis Blake trustee representative on the Special Education Advisory Committee, reviewed minutes from the September 9, 2009 meeting.

Resolved:

On the motion of June Szeman and Bonnie McKinnon, that the Committee of the Whole receive the Special Education Advisory Committee minutes from September 9, 2009.

CARRIED

4.2 UNAPPROVED FAITH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 24, 2009

June Szeman Chair of the Faith Advisory Committee reviewed the minutes from the meeting of September 24, 2009. Trustee Szeman stated that we are fortunate to have good representation of clergy and that they continue to work toward a common goal.

Resolved:

On the motion of June Szeman and Bonnie McKinnon, that the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the Faith Advisory Committee minutes from September 24, 2009.

CARRIED

4.3 UNAPPROVED ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE MINUTES – OCTOBER 13, 2009

Dennis Blake trustee reviewed the Accommodation Committee minutes from October 13, 2009. Trustee Blake expressed gratitude to Don Zelem and his staff for the tremendous effort in having Jean Vanier ready for opening on October 13, 2009. Trustee Blake asked if a letter of appreciation could be sent to the staff for their efforts in opening Jean Vanier School.

Resolved:

On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved minutes from the Accommodation Committee meeting of October 13, 2009.

On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Accommodations Committee refer the Construction Projects report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.



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On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole refer the recommendations from the Accommodation Committee meeting of October 13, 2009 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval
CARRIED

4.4 UNAPPROVED POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES – OCTOBER 14, 2009

Bonnie McKinnon Chair of the Policy Committee reviewed the minutes from the October 14, 2009 meeting. A copy of the schedule for policies to be developed and/or revised during the 2009-10 school year was attached.

The policy on Progressive Discipline for Students was reviewed. In the Administrative Procedures, trustees asked that “restorative justice” be included as a possible intervention. This will be updated for the Board Meeting on October 27, 2009.

The policy on the Performance Management of the Director of Education was reviewed. Trustee Blake requested an amendment to the Administrative Procedures. These changes will be updated for the Board Meeting on October 27, 2009.

Resolved:

On the motion of Cliff Casey and Dennis Blake, that the Committee of the Whole postpone the approval of the policy on Performance Management of the Director of Education until the Board meeting of October 27, 2009.

CARRIED

The above item will be separated from the recommendations and will be dealt on October 27, 2009.

Resolved:

On the motion of Bonnie McKinnon and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the unapproved minutes from the Policy Committee Meeting of October 14, 2009.

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Committee of the Whole receive the Plan of Policy Development for the 2009-10 school year.

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Committee of the Whole refers the Progressive Discipline for Students policy to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

THAT the Committee of the Whole refer the recommendations from the Policy Committee meeting of October 14, 2009 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

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4.5 SURPLUS ACCOMMODATION

Wally Easton Associate Director, Corp. Services & Treasurer reviewed the surplus buildings belonging to the Grand Erie District School Board. The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board has no interest in these properties.

Resolved:

On the motion of Bonnie McKinnon and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board advise the Grand Erie District School Board that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board has no interest in the follow properties:

- Former Bethel School, 68 Bethel Road, Paris, Ontario
- Former Queen's Ward School, 70 King Edward Street, Paris, Ontario
- Former Windham Central Public School, Windham Centre, Ontario

4.6 PRIMARY CLASS SIZE

Wally Easton Associate Director, Corp. Services & Treasurer reviewed the Primary Class Size for the board. The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board is in compliance with the regulation and the data has been submitted to the Ministry of Education.

Resolved:

On the motion of Bonnie McKinnon and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the Primary Class Size Report.

CARRIED

4.7 OCSTA MEMBERSHIP FEES

June Szeman Chair of the Board recommended that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board continue the membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association. The OCSTA maintain a valuable service and strong voice in the province to protect Catholic education.

Resolved:

On the motion of Bonnie McKinnon and June Szeman that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the continued membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and remit the annual fee of \$47,317. for the 2009-10 school year.

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4.8 STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

Chris Radojewski Student Trustee reviewed the report on activities of the three secondary schools over the past two months. Chris Radojewski stated the goals of the student senate for the 2009-10 school year.

Resolved:

On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the Student Trustee Report for October 20, 2009

5. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

An updated class organization was distributed to trustees.

Resolved:

On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

CARRIED

6. NOTICES OF MOTION: Nil

7. TRUSTEE INQUIRIES:

Dan Dignard trustee asked if the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board would be providing a submission to the Ministry regarding Bill 177. Trustees are invited to submit their issues and the Chair and Vice Chair will prepare a statement on behalf of the board.

8. BUSINESS IN-CAMERA:

Resolved:

On the motion of Dan Dignard and June Szeman, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board move to an In-Camera session.

CARRIED

9. REPORT ON THE IN-CAMERA SESSION:

Resolved:

On the motion of Dan Dignard and Cliff Casey, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the business of the In-camera session.

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10. FUTURE MEETINGS

Trustees were invited to look over the Meetings and Events that were included in the agenda package.

11. MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolved:

On the motion of Dennis Blake and Cliff Casey, that the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting of October 20, 2009.

CARRIED