



**Committee of the Whole
Tuesday, February 16, 2010 7:00 pm
Board Room**

Present: Trustees:

Joe McPherson (Chair, Committee of the Whole), Dennis Blake, Cliff Casey, Dan Dignard, Bonnie McKinnon, June Szeman

Senior Administration:

Cathy Horgan (Director of Education), Wally Easton (Associate Director, Corporate Services & Treasurer) Bill Chopp (Superintendent of Education)

Absent: Chris Radojewski (Student Trustee)

1. Call to Order

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Joe McPherson, Chair of the Committee of the Whole.

2. Routine Matters

2.1 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the agenda for February 16, 2010.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Interest: Nil

2.3 Approval of Minutes from the Committee of the Whole from January 19, 2010.

Moved by: Cliff Casey
Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the minutes from January 19, 2010.

Carried

2.4 Business Arising from Minutes: Nil



3. Presentations and Delegations:

Coordinator of Communications & Community Relations Tracey Austin provided the Board with an overview of the Kindergarten Registration Program. The activities and promotional items used during the month of January were highlighted.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Approved Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2010

Trustee Dennis Blake, representative on the Special Education Advisory Committee, reviewed the minutes from the meeting of January 13, 2010.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting of January 13, 2010.

Carried

4.2 Unapproved Catholicity Committee Minutes – January 27, 2010

June Szeman, Chair of the Catholicity Committee, reviewed the minutes from the meeting of January 27, 2010. Comments included the areas of focus during the 2009-10 school year.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved minutes from the Catholicity Committee Meeting from January 27, 2010.

Carried

4.3 Unapproved Faith Advisory Committee Minutes – February 4, 2010

June Szeman, Chair of the Faith Advisory Committee, reviewed the minutes from the meeting of February 4, 2010. Comments included the areas of focus during the 2009-10 school year.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved minutes from the Faith Advisory Committee Meeting from February 4, 2010.

Carried

4.4 Unapproved STSBHN Consortia Minutes – February 2, 2010

Cliff Casey, Trustee representative on the Student Transportation Services Consortia, reviewed the minutes from the meeting of February 2, 2010. The issue of policies and procedures of the Consortia was raised. A meeting will occur for Trustees of the Board to review the Consortia Policies and Procedures and they will make recommendations, if necessary. A report will be provided to the Board in April for review and approval of the document going forward to the Consortia.



Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved minutes from the STSBHN Consortia Meeting of February 2, 2010.

Carried

4.5 Unapproved Accommodation Committee Minutes – February 11, 2010

Cliff Casey Chair of the Accommodation Committee, reviewed the minutes from the meeting of February 11, 2010 and requested approval of the following recommendations:

THAT the Accommodations Committee recommend that Committee of the Whole refer the Surplus Property report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval to sell the former Sacred Heart School, Paris property by way of tender to the general public, subject to approval of the Ministry of Education.

THAT the Accommodations Committee recommend the Committee of the Whole refer the Primary Class Size Projects report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board to delay the St. Peter School and the St. Bernard of Clairvaux School Primary Class Size Accommodation Projects until further information is received from the Ministry of Education.

THAT the Accommodations Committee recommend the Committee of the Whole refer the Providence Resource Centre report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval of:

1. THAT the Providence Resource Centre be demolished.
2. THAT Information Technology Services be moved to St. Mary School, Brantford, subject to the Engineers' reports.

THAT the Accommodations Committee recommend the Committee of the Whole refer the School Renewal Projects 2009-10 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval in the total amount of \$659,736.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved minutes from the Accommodations Committee Meeting from February 11, 2010.

Carried

THAT the Committee of the Whole refer the recommendations from the Accommodations Committee Meeting of February 11, 2010, to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried



4.6 Unapproved Policy Committee Minutes – February 16, 2010

Bonnie McKinnon Chair of the Policy Committee reviewed the minutes from the meeting of February 16, 2010 and requested approval of the following recommendations:

THAT the Policy Committee recommends the Committee of the Whole refer the Revised Policy on Admission of Students to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

THAT the Policy Committee recommend the Committee of the Whole refer the Educational Partnerships Policy to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

THAT the Policy Committee recommend the Committee of the Whole refer the Employee Expense Reimbursement policy to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the unapproved minutes from the Policy Committee Meeting from February 16, 2010.

Carried

THAT the Committee of the Whole refer the recommendations from the Policy Committee Meeting of February 16, 2010, to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried

4.7 Quarterly Financial Report

Wally Easton, Associate Director reviewed the Quarterly Financial Report, ending November 2009. It was noted that several Ministry initiative grants are not included in the report. Since the report is, as of November 2009, it does not reflect the revised budget.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the Financial Report – November 2009.

Carried

4.8 Technology and Student Achievement

Cathy Horgan Director of Education and Wally Easton Associate Director provided the Trustees with a report on technology as it relates to student achievement. IBM reviewed the Board's current practices and strategic plan in order to assess usage and infrastructure and evaluate its contribution to achieving the educational priorities of the Board. Secondly, IBM was to work with staff to create an educational technology plan for the Board that will ensure that the technology is embedded and embraced by teachers, and is an integral part of the teaching and learning of the Board's key achievement priorities.



Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receive the report on Technology and Student Achievement.

Carried

4.9 Twinned Schools Update

Cathy Horgan, Director of Education, reported that the original goals of twinned schools has been met and therefore recommends that the board continue to de-twin schools.

Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the de-twinning of Blessed Sacrament School in Burford and St. Anthony Daniel School in Scotland and Our Lady of LaSalette in LaSalette and Our Lady of Fatima in Courtland, effective September 2010.

Carried

5. Information and Correspondence.

Cathy Horgan Director of Education distributed a draft copy of the Director's Annual Report – 2008-09. A copy will be placed on the Board's website. Distribution of a small quantity of hard copies will be sent to various organizations while many will receive a copy electronically. Mrs. Horgan commended Tracey Austin Coordinator of Communications & Community Relations, on her efforts in preparing this report.

Cliff Casey Trustee thanked senior administration for improving the information regarding water samples that is available on the Board's website.

Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole receive the information and correspondence since the last meeting.

Carried

6. Notices of Motion: Nil

7. Trustee Inquiries: Nil

8. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon
Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board move to an in-camera session.

Carried



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9. Report on the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded: by Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the business of the in-camera session.

Carried

10. Future Meetings

11. Moment of Silent Reflection

12. Adjournment

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting of February 16, 2010.

Carried

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 23, 2010 - Board Room