



Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 22, 2012 7:30 pm
Boardroom

Trustees:

Present: Cliff Casey (Chair), June Szeman (Vice Chair), Dennis Blake, Dan Dignard, Bonnie McKinnon, Rick Petrella, Maxine Smitiuch (Student Trustee)

Absent:

Senior Administration:

Cathy Horgan (Director of Education & Secretary), Tom Grice (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Bill Chopp, Trish Kings and Chris Roehrig (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by Cliff Casey.

1.2 Attendance – As noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Chair Casey advised that Item 5.2, Faith Animator, has been removed from the agenda and that an announcement regarding the Director of Education Designate is being added to Item 2 – Presentations.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the May 22, 2012 meeting, as amended.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

2. Presentations

Director Horgan introduced Larry Langan, Coordinator of the Catholic Studies for Teachers Program at King's University College in London, who provided trustees with an overview of this innovative program focused on preparing students to teach in the Catholic school system. Students complete a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Catholic Studies and another major and have guaranteed admission to Western's Faculty of Education to complete their Bachelor of Education degree. Mr. Langan introduced Bianca Degrandis, a graduate of St. John's College, who has just completed her Honours degree in this program. Bianca shared her experiences and enthusiasm for this post-secondary education program.



On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Chair Casey announced the appointment of Chris Roehrig, currently Superintendent of Education, as the new Director of Education & Secretary Designate effective September 1, 2012. Mr. Roehrig commented that it is a profound honour and privilege to serve in this capacity and that he is committed to continuing the Board's excellent work, particularly in the areas of Catholicity and student achievement. He expressed his thanks to senior staff, Director Horgan and his family for their support over the past four years and to trustees for the confidence they have placed in him.

3. Delegations – Nil

4. Consent Agenda

4.1 THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the April 24, 2012 meeting.

4.2 THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of May 15, 2012.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: June Szeman

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives all reports and approves all motions under the Consent Agenda.

Carried

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting of May 15, 2012

Vice Chair Szeman reported on the business of the May 15, 2012 Committee of the Whole meeting and presented the following recommendations for Board approval:

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Aboriginal Self-Identification Policy to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the request from St. John's College for an excursion to New York City from Saturday, March 9, 2013 to Wednesday, March 13, 2013.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the request from Assumption College School and St. John's College for an excursion to Italy from Saturday, March 9, 2013 to Sunday, March 17, 2013.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves an altered Board meetings schedule for January, 2013 as follows:

Tuesday, January 22, 2013 – Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday, January 29, 2013 – Board Meeting



Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 15, 2012.

Carried

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole meeting of May 15, 2012.

Carried

5.2 Faith Animator

This item was deleted from the agenda.

5.3 2012-13 Student Senate Membership and Student Trustee Elections

Superintendent Roehrig reported on the student senate membership for 2012-13 and introduced Ryan Cattrysse, currently a Grade 11 student at Holy Trinity Catholic High School, as the Student Trustee elect.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the 2012-13 Student Senate Membership and Student Trustee Elections report.

Carried

5.4 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Smitiuch reported that senators had reviewed two draft Board policies at their April Student Senate meeting.

She noted that all three secondary schools had presented very successful spring productions. She congratulated the Assumption College Mock Trial team on winning the Provincial competition for the fourth year running and highlighted some of the spring events recently held at the secondary schools.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the Student Trustee report.

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

Director Horgan provided trustees with a brief review of the educational archives that was initially established as a pilot in 2005 to serve the Grand Erie District School Board (GEDSB) and the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board and has been operating under the direction of an advisory board. John Forbeck, Director of Education for GEDSB, has proposed that the group form a legal entity. He has received a legal opinion on the proposed draft Co-Operative Agreement. The "Friends of the Education Archives serving Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk Counties" would report to the Boards. The cost to support the archival work would increase from the current \$2250 per year to \$2500 per year. Director Horgan requested that trustees review the draft Co-operative Agreement and Constitutional By-Laws that she distributed. She will bring a formal motion to the Committee of the Whole meeting in June 2012.



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Catholic District School Board**

Minutes

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Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

Carried

7. Notices of Motion - Nil

8. Trustee Inquiries - Nil

9. Business In-Camera

Moved by: June Szeman

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an in-camera session.

Carried

10. Report on the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: June Szeman

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

Carried

11. Future Meetings

The list of upcoming meetings and events was reviewed. Director Horgan noted the addition of a School College Work Initiative (SCWI) partnership event, "Lighting the Journey to Success" Aboriginal Education Roadmap launch, taking place on June 12, 2012 at 11:00 a.m.

12. Closing Prayer

A closing prayer was recited in unison.

13. Adjournment

Moved by: June Szeman

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the meeting of May 15, 2012.

Carried