



Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 26, 2013 ♦ 7:30 pm
Boardroom

Trustees:

Present: June Szeman (Chair), Rick Petrella (Vice Chair), Dennis Blake, Cliff Casey, Dan Dignard, Ryan Cattrysse (Student Trustee)

Absent: Bonnie McKinnon

Senior Administration:

Chris N. Roehrig (Director of Education & Secretary), Tom Grice (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Bill Chopp, Jamie McKinnon and Leslie Telfer (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with a prayer led by June Szeman.

1.2 Attendance – As noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the March 26, 2013 meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

2. Presentations

Superintendent Chopp presented a pictorial overview of the successful third annual “Souper Bowl 2013” fundraiser leading up to the NFL Super Bowl game in February. 17,453 cans of soup were collected by staff, students and community partners in support of area food banks, and \$1,136 in cash donations were shared between the St. Vincent de Paul organizations in Brantford, Simcoe, Caledonia and Dunnville. Mr. Chopp presented the SouperBowl trophy to student representatives from St. Gabriel School in Brantford and St. Joseph School in Simcoe for collecting the most items in their respective “conferences”. He also expressed appreciation to the Fitzgerald family, owners of Giant Tiger in Brantford, for donating over 2,000 cans of soup, matching the efforts of the St. Gabriel school community can for can. Trustee Casey thanked Superintendent Chopp for his ongoing efforts in supporting community needs.

3. Delegations – Nil



4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1** THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of February 28, 2013.
- 4.2** THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of March 19, 2013.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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 March 19, 2013

Vice Chair Petrella reviewed the business of the March 19, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting and brought forward the following recommendations for approval:

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 France and Italy from Thursday, March 6 to Sunday, March 16, 2014.

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 Massillon, Ohio from Friday, September 20 to Saturday, September 21, 2013.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 19, 2013.

Carried

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 19, 2013.

Carried

5.2 Alternative Education Programming

Superintendent McKinnon welcomed a team of teachers, support staff and students from the St. Mary Catholic Learning Centre in Brantford and the Holy Trinity Simcoe Alternative Education program to the meeting. He commented that the Board is committed to the Ministry of Education's Learning to 18 initiative and makes available several programs such as Alternative Education, Supervised Alternative Learning (S.A.L), on site home instruction, as well as programs for suspended and expelled pupils, designed for students who have not experienced success in a regular secondary school setting due to academic, social or personal factors.



Through personalized programming and staff support, students work towards earning a secondary school diploma and develop positive work habits and life skills. Students involved in the Alternative Education programs expressed their thoughts about their unique learning experiences and successes by writing individual letters that were shared with trustees. Trustees were impressed with the success of the programs, the commitment of staff and students alike, and commended Terre Slaght, Principal of Continuing Education, on her ongoing efforts in building and supporting a successful Alternative Education program.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Alternative Education Programming report.

Carried

5.3 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Cattrysse reported on the February and March Student Senate meetings. He updated trustees on the successful winter retreat for secondary Students' Councils and upcoming events including the annual May Students' Council Leadership Symposium, the August summer retreat and the 2015 Ontario Catholic Student Leadership Conference that this Board will be co-hosting. He congratulated students from Holy Trinity on earning a place in the Guinness Book of World Records for most people dressed as cows, and highlighted the Brick-by-Brick Campaign at Assumption College and the successful school-wide Shrove Tuesday pancake breakfast held at St. John College.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

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

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

Chair Szeman provided a brief update on the OCSTA provincial bargaining framework discussions recently held and confirmed that Committee of the Whole and Board meetings will start at 7:00 p.m. commencing April 2013.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

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: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

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: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

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

Carried

11. Future Meetings

A listing of upcoming meetings and events was reviewed.

12. Closing Prayer

A closing prayer was recited in unison.

13. Adjournment

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the meeting of March 26, 2013.

Carried