



Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 25, 2014 ♦ 7:00 pm
Boardroom

Trustees:

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

Absent:

Joined Meeting: Dennis Blake (during Item 5.1); Dan Dignard (at end of public session)

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 prayer led by Trustee Petrella.

1.2 Attendance – As noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Chair Szeman advised that a report titled, "Appointment of Audit Committee Member", would be added as Item 5.4.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the February 25, 2014 meeting, as amended.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

2. Presentations

Chair Szeman extended the Board's congratulations to the players and support staff of the Assumption College School Lions Senior Football Team on capturing the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) Football Bowl Championship. This is the first OFSAA title for any secondary school in our district. Certificates of accomplishments were accepted by Greg Picone, school principal, and Lesley Young, Teacher Advisor for the team.

3. Delegations – Nil



4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1** THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the January 28, 2014 meeting.
- 4.2** THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the unapproved minutes of the January 21, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

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 Child Care Modernization Act 2013

Superintendent Telfer provided an overview of new legislation, the Child Care Modernization Act 2013 (Bill 143) which, if passed, will govern child care provision in Ontario. She commented that since schools are easily accessible to most families, they have been identified by the government as essential public resources and are ideal locations for housing accessible child care and early years programs and services to support families and to contribute to the healthy development of children. The implementation of Full Day Kindergarten, before and after school care programs, and the ongoing conversion of child care spaces for infants and toddlers are all examples of this modernization initiative.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School receives the Child Care Modernization Act 2013 report.

Carried

5.2 School Year Calendar 2014-15

Superintendent Chopp presented the proposed elementary and secondary school year calendars for 2014-15, both of which have 194 school days, including six Professional Activity (PA) days, with ten exam days at the secondary level. Staff consulted with the Grand Erie District School Board to co-ordinate calendars in order to achieve efficiencies in transportation, with one secondary PA day not aligning.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the proposed 2014-15 School Year Calendars for Elementary and Secondary schools.

Carried



5.3 Excursion – Massillon, OH

Superintendent Chopp reviewed a request from St. John's College for approximately 45 members of the Senior Football Eagles team to play an exhibition game against Massillon Tigers Washington High School, take part in a football retreat, and visit the NFL Football Hall of Fame.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the request from St. John's College for an excursion to Massillon, Ohio from Thursday, September 18 to Saturday, September 20, 2014.

Carried

5.4 Appointment of Audit Committee Member

Superintendent Grice advised that three candidates were interviewed for the vacant volunteer External Committee member position on the Audit Committee. Christine Shea has been appointed for a three-year term as the Committee's new member.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the appointment of Christine Shea to the Audit Committee for the term February 1, 2014 to January 31, 2017.

Carried

5.5 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Athanasiou reported that the recent Student Senate's Leadership Winter Retreat, which brought together members of all Students' Councils, was a great success. She also reported on two provincial Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA) conferences that she has attended, which provide student trustees with opportunities for networking and professional development. One initiative of the Catholic Board Council, which is part of OSTA, is a province-wide mass for all secondary school students scheduled for May 7, 2014. Student Trustee Athanasiou also reported on Valentine's Day activities held at all secondary schools.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

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

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

Chair Szeman requested that trustees provide Director Roehrig with questions they would like addressed during the upcoming Ontario College of Teachers' presentation to trustees scheduled for April 15, 2014.

Chair Szeman reminded trustees of the London Diocese Bishop's Dinner being held on June 10, 2014.



Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

That the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board 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: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

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: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the meeting of February 25, 2014.

Carried