



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

Trustees:

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

Absent:

Senior Administration:

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

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Trustee Blake.

1.2 Attendance – As noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – October 28, 2014

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the October 28, 2014 Board meeting.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

2. Presentations

Chair Szeman expressed the Board's sincerest thanks to Dennis Blake for his fourteen years of dedicated service to the Board as a trustee.

On behalf of the Board and Senior Administration, Director Roehrig extended sincere thanks to Chair Szeman for her fourteen years of service with the Board as trustee, Vice Chair and Chair.



3. Delegations - Nil

4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1** THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the unapproved minutes of the Mental Health Leadership Team Meeting of November 12, 2014.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

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 – November 18, 2014

Vice Chair Petrella reviewed the business of the November 18, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting and brought forward the following recommendations for consideration:

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the 2015 insurance renewal premium, payable to the Ontario School Boards' Insurance Exchange, in the amount of \$192,476, excluding PST.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves continued membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and remits the annual fee of \$45,394 for the 2014-15 school year.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board refers the matter of limiting trustee attendance at conferences to the Policy Committee for consideration.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the posting of Trustee monthly expense reports on the Board's website on an annual basis in compliance with Policy 100.10: Trustee Expenses and in a format detailed in Appendix A.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 18, 2014.

Carried

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 18, 2014.

Carried



5.3 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Gubbels reported that, with the assistance of Jacquie McLaren, Mental Health Lead, strategies are being formulated to address student stress leading up to exam periods. A three-week campaign will be run prior to first semester exams in all secondary schools to equip students with studying, time management and coping skills. In school news, Student Trustee Gubbels reported on successful Coffee Houses and Semi-Formals events, and that schools have kicked off their Christmas fundraising campaigns. Chair Szeman expressed the Board's appreciation of the time and effort that secondary students across the system devote to supporting community outreach initiatives.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

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

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence - Nil

7. Notices of Motion - Nil

8. Trustee Inquiries

Trustee Casey referenced a recent article in the Simcoe Reformer which noted a Catholic school in Norfolk as a feeder school to a public secondary school. He cautioned that due diligence needs to be exercised to ensure that we recruit and keep our own students in our system.

Trustee Casey inquired if our secondary schools are offering mini financial literacy workshops to Grade 12 students to help prepare them for post-secondary life, as many high schools are doing. Director Roehrig will provide an update to trustees on what initiatives are happening in our secondary schools.

Trustee Blake inquired if some buses are making non-designated stops. Superintendent Grice advised that he has not been made aware of any.

Trustee Dignard asked if there is any expectation or protocol with respect to responding to communications via social media. Director Roehrig advised that social media, such as Twitter, is used by schools to promote school activities to the community. It is not intended to be used as an interactive communication tool.

9. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Dan Dignard

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: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

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

Carried



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11. Future Meetings

Trustee attention was drawn to the list of future meetings and events for trustees.

12. Closing Prayer

A closing prayer was recited in unison.

13. Adjournment

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

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

Carried

Inaugural Meeting: Tuesday, December 2, 2014, 7:00 p.m., Boardroom
Board Meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7:00 pm., Boardroom