



Committee of the Whole
Tuesday, February 19, 2013 ♦ 7:30 pm
Boardroom

Trustees:

Present: June Szeman (Chair), Rick Petrella (Vice Chair), Dennis Blake, Dan Dignard, Bonnie McKinnon

Absent: Cliff Casey, Ryan Cattrysse (Student Trustee)

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 reflection and prayer led by Paul Tratnyek, Faith Animator.

1.2 Attendance – As noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the February 19, 2013 meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

2. Presentations

Faith Animator, Paul Tratnyek, provided an overview of the work that is underway with respect to the rejuvenated faith formation development of staff and students. Mr. Tratnyek is working with administrators, the new Faith Formation Team, and the school Faith Ambassadors on providing experiences that will enhance the spiritual and faith journey of all members of our Catholic community.

3. Delegations - Nil

4. Consent Agenda

4.1 THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the January 22, 2013 meeting.

4.2 THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the educational field trip summary report.



Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Committee of the Whole of 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 Goals for 2013-14 Budget

Director Roehrig reviewed the key direction outlined in the recently approved 2012-2015 Strategic Plan and re-affirmed that the budget development process should be consistent with and support the goals of the strategic plan in all four areas of focus – Catholicity, Student Achievement, Leadership and Communications.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon
Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Goals for 2013-14 Budget report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried

5.2 Naming of Wood Street School

Superintendent Chopp reviewed the consultation process that was followed to select a name for the new school currently being built on Wood Street in Brantford. In accordance with the Board's *Naming of Schools* policy, the naming committee is proposing that the new school be known as St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School.

Moved by: Rick Petrella
Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves St. Pius X Catholic Elementary School as the name of the new school being built on Wood Street in Brantford.

Carried

5.3 Early French Immersion Investigation

Superintendent Telfer introduced a proposal to expand the opportunity for Catholic families in Brantford and Brant County to access French Immersion programming. Currently, there is one French Immersion program offered at Jean Vanier Catholic School in the south end of Brantford. The proposal is to ascertain if there is sufficient interest to offer an Early French Immersion program at St. Leo's School in the north end beginning with French Immersion instruction for students entering Grade 1 in September 2014. Discussion ensued and several trustee inquiries were addressed by staff.

Moved by: Dan Dignard
Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the proposal to investigate the viability of implementing an Early French Immersion Program at St. Leo School, as of September 2014.

Carried



5.4 Incorporation of the Friends of the Educational Archives

Director Roehrig presented a partnership agreement between the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board, the Grand Erie District School Board, and the Friends of the Educational Archives to establish an educational archive. Volunteers with the Friends of the Educational Archives would properly catalogue and store historical information and materials for future reference and/or display. A financial contribution of \$2,500 would be required from this Board to start the initiative. A trustee from each of the Boards would serve on the Archives' Board of Directors.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Co-operative Agreement for Archival Support between the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board, the Grand Erie District School Board, and the Friends of the Educational Archives to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Carried

5.5 Surplus Accommodation – Grand Erie District School Board

Superintendent Grice advised that the Grand Erie District School Board is disposing of two surplus school properties, but that this Board has no need of elementary student accommodations in the subject areas.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board advises the Grand Erie District School Board that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board has no interest in the following properties:

- Former Coronation Public School, 54 Ewing Drive, Brantford, Ontario
- Former Dunnville Central Public School, 121 Alder Street West, Dunnville, Ontario

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

Chair Szeman informed trustees that she and Vice-Chair Petrella had represented the Board at a recent unveiling of the Resurrection School Creed wall. She commented that all students and staff had contributed to the impressive tile mosaic; a truly artistic and inspirational display.

Superintendent Chopp distributed copies of the Board's Aboriginal Self-Identification information brochure, which is being distributed to every student in the system. Superintendent Chopp commented that this initiative is another step in the Board's efforts to support aboriginal students in the area of student achievement.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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

Carried



7. Notices of Motion

7.1 Trustee Petrella presented the following Notice of Motion:

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adheres to sections 6.2.2.1 and 6.2.1.1 of the Board By-Laws whereby Committee of the Whole meetings and Board meetings start at 7:00 p.m., or amends subject By-Laws upon the affirmative vote of a two-thirds (2/3) majority of all members of the Board. This motion is to be considered at the February 26, 2013 Board meeting for implementation as of March 2013.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

7.2 Trustee Blake presented the following Notice of Motion, for consideration at the March 19, 2013 Committee of the Whole meeting:

THAT all individual trustee expenses be posted on the public section of the Board website and updated quarterly.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

8. Trustee Inquiries - Nil

9. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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

11. Future Meetings

A list of future meetings and events for trustees 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 19, 2013.

Carried