



Minutes

THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD held Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom, 1355 Lansdowne Street West, Peterborough.

PRESENT:

Trustees - Mmes. Linda Ainsworth, Ruth Ciraulo, Michelle Griepsma, Helen McCarthy.
Messrs. Dave Bernier, Dan Demers, Zachary Smith – Student Trustee.

Administration - Mmes. Joan Carragher, Laurie Corrigan, Anne Marie Duncan, Isabel Grace, Dawn Michie.
Messrs. Galen Eagle, Fr. Paul Massel, Tim Moloney, Michael Nasello.

Absent/Regrets - Mme. Christine Dunn.

Recorder - Mrs. P. Smith.

A. Call to Order of the Open Meeting – 6:30 P.M.:

1. Examen.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, called Fr. Paul Massel to lead the Board in the Examen.

2. Opening Prayer.

The Chairperson, Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and asked Mrs. Linda Ainsworth to lead the Opening Prayer.

3. Acknowledgement.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, acknowledged that the Board Meeting was taking place on the traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabe People.

4. Singing of the National Anthem.

The prayer was followed by the singing of O Canada.

5. Approval of the Agenda.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Helen McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, that the Agenda for Tuesday, April 25, 2017 be approved as presented.

Carried.

6. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

7. Approval of the Minutes of the March 28, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Dave Bernier, seconded by Mrs. Ruth Ciraulo,

that the Minutes of the March 28, 2017, Regular Meeting be approved per amendments.

Carried.

8. Business Arising Out of the Minutes.

There were no items.

B. Reports from the Director of Education and Student Trustee(s):

1. Report from the Director of Education.

Mr. Michael Nasello, Director of Education, shared his report with the Board and highlighted that:

- A number of Trustees, board staff, parents and community members visited Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School in Courtice to experience New Pedagogies for Deep Learning in action. Thank you to Mr. Frank Bradica, Principal and Mrs. Dawn Michie, Superintendent of Learning/Program for their leadership.
- On April 18, a number of Trustees and board staff attended the first annual St. Joseph Dinner, an event to raise awareness and funds for the Campus Ministry at Trent University, Fleming College and Sacred Heart, a ministry led by Fr. John Perdue.
- On April 19 many joined in welcoming Most Reverend Daniel Miehm as the 13th Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough.
- On April 22, three members of the Catholic Parent Engagement Committee and the Director of Education attended the Parent Involvement Committee Symposium in Barrie. There were guest speakers, panel discussions on effective practices in parent engagement, PRO (Parents Reaching Out) grant applications, self regulation, mental health and well-being.
- On April 23, staff and community members attended “Demystifying the Other” an event around understanding the connections between Christian, Muslim and Jewish Faith Communities.
- Members of the 2017-2018 PVNCCDSB Student Council Liaison Committee are planning to attend the Ontario Student Leadership Conference taking place in May. Student Trustees are planning to attend the Ontario Catholic School Trustees Conference and Annual General Meeting taking place in May.
- Catholic Education Week activities commence next week and we are engaged in the provincial consultation on Catholic Education called, “Renewing the Promise”.

Stakeholders are invited to participate in the online survey sponsored by the Institute for Catholic Education. The Symposium on Catholic Education will take place in November 2017.

- Last week a memo was received from Assistant Deputy Minister of Education, Denise Dwyer regarding school board responses to legislation being introduced by the Federal Government that may lead to the legalization of cannabis. The memo reinforces that all current legislation and procedures remain in effect.
- The Board is currently analyzing the details that have been made available regarding GSN funding for next year.
- Congratulations are in order to our new members of the Student Council Liaison Committee and our new Student Trustees.
- The Archdiocese of Keewatin LePas received the donation of the 42 boxes we sent to them and thanked everyone for their support and generosity.
- Several schools are recognized in raising substantial funds for the Terry Fox Foundation. In total PVNC schools have raised \$3 million dollars for the Terry Fox Foundation over the past 25 years.

2. Report from the Student Trustee(s).

Mr. Zachary Smith, Student Trustee, shared his report with the Board and highlighted that:

- Student Trustee elections were held and the Sr. Student Trustee elected for 2017-2018 is Winston Steward from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School. The Jr. Student Trustee elected for 2017-2018 is Cali Brake from Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School.
- Several schools participated in charity events over the Easter and Lenten seasons including collecting non-perishable food items, Soap for Hope Initiative, cake auction, Think Fast Campaign and many more charitable events, awareness events and activities.
- St. Stephen Catholic Secondary School Math Department Head, Mrs. Clark and Math teacher, Mr. Clark dedicated their personal time to offer "Financial Friday" to students to update their financial literacy skills and learn about credit cards, car and student loans, home ownership, tax filing over the senior lunch period.
- Schools have participated in many mission trips in developing nations and also several schools attended the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge in France.
- LINK Student mentorship groups in secondary school communities have begun preparing for incoming students in the fall. This is an excellent leadership opportunity helping assist younger students in transitioning to secondary.
- Elementary communities have been actively participating in several initiatives one being Cops for Cancer-Pedal for Hope initiative.
- Preparations are in place for Catholic Education Week activities.

C. Presentations:

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, thanked the attending staff for their comprehensive excursion packages that were shared with Trustees in advance of the meeting. Mrs. Griepsma stressed the importance of receiving packages from schools in a timely manner and that parent meetings should be scheduled following Board approval of the excursions.

Mrs. Griepsma noted that several of the excursions coming forward on this agenda are similar in nature and to that extent suggested blocking the requests. Staff were present to answer any questions pertaining to the excursions.

1. Proposed St. Alphonsus Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to the Peterborough Lift Locks, Peterborough, Ontario, on June 7, 2017.
2. Proposed St. Anne Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to Camp Onondaga, Minden, Ontario, from May 29, 2017 to May 31, 2017.
3. Proposed St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School, Douro, Student excursion to Camp Northern Lights, Haliburton, Ontario, from June 19, 2017 to June 21, 2017.
4. Proposed Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School, Courtice, Student excursion to Camp Northern Lights, Haliburton, Ontario, from May 10, 2017 to May 11, 2017.
5. Proposed Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School, Courtice, Student excursion to Algonquin Park, Ontario, from May 29, 2017 to June 1, 2017.
6. Proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, Cobourg, Student excursion to RKY Camp, Parham, Ontario, from May 3, 2017 to May 5, 2017.
7. Proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, Cobourg, Student excursion to Algonquin Park, Ontario, from September 26, 2017 to September 29, 2017.
8. Proposed Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to Kawartha Highlands Provincial Park, Ontario, from May 11, 2017 to May 13, 2017.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Ruth Ciraulo, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,

that the proposed student excursions listed on the April 25, 2017 Board Agenda as items C1 to C8 be blocked together and approved in principle.

Carried.

9. Proposed Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to Guatemala, from April 12, 2018 to April 21, 2018.

Mr. James Brake, Principal, presented on the excursion and answered questions. Mr. Brake noted that this excursion is part of the Wells of Hope program.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Helen McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,

that the proposed Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, Peterborough student excursion to Guatemala, from April 12, 2018 to April 21, 2018, be approved in principle and that the trip will include mandatory insurance for all travelers. Such insurance must cover school board or principal rulings for cancellation of the trip.

Carried.

10. Proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, Cobourg, Student excursion to Oahu, Hawaii, United States, from March 9, 2018 to March 18, 2018.

Mr. Rob Majdell and staff shared a presentation from the previous excursion to Hawaii and answered questions. This is the third excursion for the rugby team to Hawaii.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Dave Bernier, seconded by Mrs. Helen McCarthy

that the proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, Cobourg student excursion to Hawaii, United States, from March 9, 2018 to March 18, 2018, be approved in principle and that the trip will include mandatory insurance for all travelers. Such insurance must cover school board or principal rulings for cancellation of the trip.

Carried.

11. Proposed Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to Athens, Delphi, Tolo, Saronic Gulf and Cape Sounion, Greece, from March 7, 2018 to March 15, 2018.
12. Proposed St. Peter Catholic Secondary School, Peterborough, Student excursion to Athens, Delphi, Tolo, Saronic Gulf and Cape Sounion, Greece, from March 7, 2018 to March 15, 2018.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Helen McCarthy, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,

that excursions identified on the Agenda as items C.11 and C.12 be blocked together and approved in principle that the trips will include mandatory insurance for all travelers. Such insurance must cover school board or principal rulings for cancellation of the trip.

Carried.

D. Programs and Services:

1. Supervised Alternative Learning Presentation.

Mr. Tim Moloney, Superintendent of Learning/Student Success and Mr. Alex Duketow, Student Success Consultant, shared a presentation with the Board and answered questions.

The Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) Program is intended to re-engage young people 14 to 17 years of age who are not attending school and who are therefore at risk of not graduating. Mr. Moloney also shared the background information and connection to the Ontario Regulation 374/10 Supervised Alternative Learning and Other Excusals from Attendance at School.

Trustees were informed that the application process is initiated by the parent, student or Principal which is then reviewed by the SAL Committee. The SAL plan consists of many stages involving, considerations, implementation, monitoring, review, renewal and transition planning. Mr. Moloney shared that there were 24 students participating in the program in 2015/2016 and shared the status of all students. Currently there are 18 students participating in the 2016-2017 program.

The Board thanked Mr. Moloney and Mr. Duketow for their presentation and work with the program.

E. Business, Finance and Governance:

1. STSCO Governance Report – April 12, 2017.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, reported that the STSCO 2016/2017 Budget and Expenditure update showed the net overall impact on the consolidated STSCO expense projection is a negative variance of \$252,000 which is equivalent to 1% above budget.

Mrs. Griepsma discussed the STSCO 2017-2018 system planning status update:

- The consultation regarding a potential change in bell times for St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School in Douro has been postponed until 2018 and in the meantime, STSCO will ensure the school's route ride times are improved prior to the bell time change being pursued.
- Letters were being sent to a few parents regarding school walk zones for St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School and St. Teresa Catholic Elementary School. Letters were also sent to families of Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School which would see a greater number of students affected.
- The Peterborough City Transit has agreed that there is capacity for a small number of students from the northwest corner of the city to ride the bus next year and letters will be sent to those families advising them.
- STSCO Annual Driver workshops have been offered to all service providers. Three regions will offer the training on three separate dates.
- STSCO is in the process of having a new website developed which will be shared at the June, 2017 STSCO Governance Meeting.

2. GSN Summary Report.

Mrs. Isabel Grace, Superintendent of Business and Finance/Facility Services, shared the 2017-2018 GSN Release – Funding information report with Trustees and answered questions. Documentation is available on the Ministry of Education website at www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/policyfunding/funding.html

The GSN reflects projected 2017-2018 funding to school boards, enhancements to implement the recently negotiated agreements, capital funding programs, greenhouse gas funding and Indigenous Education funding (formerly reflected as First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Education) as a few areas of the report. Mrs. Grace also reviewed on-going implementations, next steps in consultation for rural education and transportation, as well as achieving a balanced budget for 2017-2018. Submission of the Board Estimates for 2017-2018 is required for June 30, 2017.

F. Human Resources: No Items.

G. Policy Development:

1. Draft Safe and Accepting Schools Directional Policy #900.

Mr. Tim Moloney, Superintendent of Learning/Student Success, shared the Draft Directional Policy – Safe and Accepting Schools #900 for final consideration. Mr. Moloney indicated that as a follow up to the website stakeholder input no changes were made to the document.

MOTION: Moved by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,
that the Draft Directional Policy #900 Safe and Accepting Schools, be approved.

Carried.

H. Old Business: No Items.

I. New Business: No Items.

J. Bring Forward: No Items.

K. Information Items:

1. Chairperson's Report.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, reported that it was very inspiring to see the New Pedagogies for Deep Learning Initiative in action at Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School in Courtice and the Trustees enjoyed the day.

Mrs. Griepsma informed the Trustees that in preparation for the upcoming OCSTA Regional Meetings that will be held as part of the OCSTA's 2017 AGM and Conference, Mr. Nasello, Director of Education, will share a google form with Trustees to gather input on the requested topics and will plan follow up discussion with them at the event.

Mrs. Griepsma is not available to attend the Engagement Session on Education in Rural and Remote Ontario a discussion that is taking place in Lakefield on May 5, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. If any Trustee is available to attend this event if they could please advise her. The Director and Student Trustee will be attending the discussion.

The OCSTA updates are on the Google drive for Trustees to review.

Mrs. Griepsma advised the group that she will be attending the Community Hub Summit next week in Toronto.

2. Trustees Reports:

a. Past Committee Meetings for the month of April will be shared at the next Board Meeting.

- b. Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, reported that the French as a Second Language (FSL) Committee is in the third year of their plan and a progress report is due in June, 2017. The FSL Committee discussed surveys for students to see how confident they are in French Immersion and Core French as well as the possibility of other surveys. 92 students accessed the virtual immersion campus as a resource and the group would like to see more collaborative inquiries at elementary and secondary.

3. System Achievements.

Mr. Galen Eagle, Communications Manager, presented the System Achievements for the month which have been posted on the Board web site. Mr. Eagle will share a comprehensive presentation on Vimy Ridge at the next Board meeting.

L. **Open Question Period:** This will be discussed at the next Chairperson Meeting.

M. **BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS (chronological order) *BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS (chronological order)***

1. Board Standing Committee Meetings:

- › Governance – **May 8, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**
- › Chairperson's – **May 16, 2017, 4:15 p.m.**
- › Board Meeting – **May 23, 2017, 6:00 p.m.**
- › Policy Development – **May 8, 2017, 6:00-6:30 p.m.**
May 16, 2017, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

2. Other Committee Meetings:

- › TBD Accessibility for All Committee, 1:15 p.m.
- › TBD Audit Committee, 3:00 p.m.
- › TBD Faith and Equity Advisory Committee, 6:30 p.m.
- › TBD French as a Second Language Advisory Committee, 4:30 p.m.
- › TBD STSCO Governance Meeting, 3:15 p.m., STSCO Offices.
- › Strategic Planning Advisory Committee – May 11, 2017, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- › Student Council Liaison Committee – May 23, 2017, 4:15 p.m.
- › Special Education Advisory Committee – May 25, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
- › Catholic Parent Engagement Committee – May 24 (Recognition) June 5, 2017, 6:30 p.m. Meeting
- › First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Advisory Committee – June 6, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

EVENTS (chronological order)

- › May 23-27, 2017 OSTA/AECO Student Trustee(s) Meeting, Toronto
- › May 24, 2017 Catholic Parent Engagement/SCS Recognition Evening
- › June 1-3, 2017 CCSTA-AGM, Niagara Falls
- › June 29, 2017 Secondary Graduations

A. Conclusion:

1. Report from the In-camera Meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Dave Bernier, seconded by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth,

that the Board approve the actions and the discussions arising from the In-Camera session on April 25, 2017, as follows:

Carried.

- A. 1. Opening Prayer was shared.
2. The Agenda for the In-Camera meeting of April 25, 2017 was approved as amended.
3. There were no declarations of conflict of interest.
4. The draft Minutes of the March 28, 2017 In-Camera Board Meeting were approved as presented.
5. There was no business arising out of the minutes.
- B. There were no presentations.
- C. There were no items under Programs and Services.
- D. Under Business, Finance and Governance:
 1. An OCSTA information update was shared with Trustees.
 2. A STSCO Governance update from – April 12, 2017 was shared with trustees
- E. Human Resources: no items
- F. Other Urgent Matter: No Items.
- G. Information Items: No Items.
- H. Old Business: No Items.
- I. The Meeting recessed at 6:07 p.m. and convened as an Open Session at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Griepsma received a letter to the Office of the Prime Minister from another school board and will share this letter with Trustees.

2. Closing Prayer.

The Chairperson, Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, asked Mr. Dan Demers to lead the group in Closing Prayer.

3. Adjournment.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Dan Demers, seconded by Mrs. Ruth Ciraulo,
that the meeting adjourn; 9:23 p.m.

Carried.

M. Griepsma
Chairperson
per PS

M. Nasello
Director of Education