

# **Minutes**

THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD held Tuesday, May 23, 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. <u>Examen.</u>

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. Ruth Ciraulo 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 National Anthem was sung.

# 5. Approval of the Agenda.

**MOTION**: Moved by Mrs. Helen McCarthy, seconded by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth,

that the Agenda for Tuesday, May 23, 2017 be approved with the amendment that Item M2 - First Nation Métis and Inuit Advisory Committee meeting will change from June 6, 2017 to June 7, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. and will be held at the Hiawatha First Nation.

Carried.

## 6. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.

There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.

## 7. Approval of the Minutes of the April 25, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Mrs. Helen McCarthy,

that the Minutes of the April 25, 2017, Regular Board Meeting be approved as presented.

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 meeting was held with Bishop Miehm to introduce him to PVNCCDSB, share issues
  of common concern, and set dates for future meetings.
- Appreciation was extended to the volunteers supporting the Rosary Apostolate culminating activities such as the Living Rosary, Adoration, etc.
- Late in April twelve Student Council Liaison Committee Student Representatives attended the Ontario Catholic Student Leadership Conference representing our Board Student Voice.
- Catholic Education Week was celebrated with many masses and activities supporting the great work taking place in our schools and communities.
- Mr. Zachary Smith, Student Trustee, and Mr. Michael Nasello, Director of Education, attended a Government engagement session on Education in Rural and Remote Education in Lakefield.
- St. Paul Catholic Elementary School in Norwood is supporting a project with students and staff involved in making dresses for girls to be sent to various parts of the world. Their goal is 175 dresses. Mr. Nasello and Mr. Tim Moloney took part.
- The Catholic Curriculum Cooperative hosted an event that was attended by Mrs.
   Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, and Mr. Michael Nasello, Director of
   Education. Ms. Rebecca Brady, Vice-Principal at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic
   Secondary School, presented at the event which launched the Grade 4 Growing in
   Faith, Growing in Christ program.
- EQAO testing for grades 3 and 6 will take place over the next two weeks followed by the Grade 9 math testing.

- A Catholic Parent Engagement Committee event to acknowledge our Catholic School Council leaders will take place on Wednesday, May 24, 2017. Jesuit Priest, Fr. Gilles Mongeau, will be the guest speaker on the topic of "Belonging" in Catholic Schools.
- Ms. Brenna Roblin, student at St. Peter Catholic Secondary School, Mr. Beau Harper, student at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, and current Student Trustee, Mr. Zachary Smith, will attend the Lobby Day at Queen's Park on Monday, May 29, 2017 representing our student voice to the MPP's. Ms. Roblin and Mr. Harper have also been invited to present on their student excursion to Vimy Ridge.

## 2. Report from the Student Trustee(s).

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

- There have been many events and celebrations throughout Catholic Education Week. Several fundraising events were supported bringing our students and community together. Shared liturgies reminded us of the oneness we attain through our shared faith.
- Students have been busy offering several drama productions throughout the school system.
- The Student Council Liaison Committee representatives attended the Ontario Leadership Conference. The theme was "responding to the call". There were several inspiring speakers covering topics on leading and serving, individual interpretations of faith, mission excursions, vulnerability as a leader and many more. This conference also offered students the opportunity to share best practices and develop skills.
- Students had an opportunity to listen and be inspired by Mr. Chris Hadfield who presented at St.Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School on May 11, 2017.
- Over the next few weeks secondary schools will organize to elect their new student representatives for their individual Student Government organizations.
- Two Student Trustees have been elected for 2017-2018. Mr. Winston Steward, Sr. Student Trustee from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School and Ms. Calahndra Brake, Jr. Student Trustee from Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School.

The Board thanked Mr. Zachary Smith, current Student Trustee, for his dedication and commitment throughout the year and in ensuring student voices are heard.

#### C. Presentations:

1. <u>2017-2018 Student Trustees – Welcome and Introductions.</u>

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, welcomed the parents/family of the newly elected Student Trustees for 2017-2018.

2017-2018 Sr. Student Trustee – Mr. Winston Steward St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School

2017-2018 Jr. Student Trustee – Ms. Calahndra Brake
Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School

2. Presentation: "Vimy Ridge 100".

Mr. Galen Eagle, Communications Manager, and students Ms. Brenna Roblin, St. Peter Catholic Secondary School and Mr. Beau Harper, Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School shared a presentation and personal experiences about the Vimy 100 educational excursion to Europe in April 2017.

Mr. Eagle recorded this historical event as students from several secondary schools in the Board travelled to Europe to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Vimy Ridge. Mr. Eagle connected with media throughout the Board jurisdiction to share the student's perspectives on the journey, including several special reports in local newspapers.

The Trustees thanked the group for their presentation and expressed that it was wonderful to hear from the heart what the students had experienced.

3. R.A. Proposed Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough,
Student Excursion to the Bancroft Leadership Centre from June 5, 2017 to June 7, 2017.
Mrs. Mary Cozzarini, Principal, and Mr. Mitch Champagne, teacher, shared the details of the excursion and answered questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,

that the proposed Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student Excursion to the Bancroft Leadership Centre from June 5, 2017 to June 7, 2017 be approved in principle.

Carried.

 R.A. Proposed St. John Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student Excursion to Camp Onondaga, Minden from June 12, 2017 to June 14, 2017.
 Mr. Andy Sawada, Principal, shared the details of the excursion and answered questions.

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

that the proposed St. John Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student Excursion to Camp Onondaga, Minden from June 12, 2017 to June 14, 2017 be approved in principle.

Carried.

R.A. Proposed St. John Catholic Elementary School, Student Excursion to Ganaraska
 Forest – Treetop Trekking, on June 14, 2017.
 Mr. Andy Sawada, Principal, shared the details of the excursion and answered questions.

**MOTION:** Moved by Mrs. Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Mr. Dan Demers,

that the proposed St. John Catholic Elementary School, Peterborough, Student Excursion to Ganaraska Forest – Treetop Trekking on June 14, 2017 be approved in principle.

## D. Programs and Services:

## 1. "Renewing the Promise" – Catholic Education Symposium.

Mrs. Laurie Corrigan, Superintendent of Learning/Innovation Technologies and Mr. Michael Nasello, Director of Education, shared a presentation with the Board and answered questions.

The Institute for Catholic Education and the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario are holding a symposium on Catholic Education in November 2017 entitled: "Renewing the Promise". This provincial symposium will take place in Toronto from November 14-15, 2017.

Step one of this process is the consultation process, inviting dialogue and facilitating discussions to have all voices heard. All PVNCCDSB community is invited to participate in the online survey to be part of the provincial conversation.

The message has been shared through social media and the link has been posted on the Board web site and was included in the messaging for Catholic Education Week.

Mr. Nasello, Director of Education, commended Mrs. Corrigan for facilitating this process.

## 2. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Session Report.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, shared that the below items have been shared with the Trustees in the OCSTA Google folder:

- Community Hubs Summit program and funding
- Court decision Saskatchewan
- Memo about 13 Reasons Why series
- Legislative Highlights May 12, 19
- Decision re: Broadband Modernization

## OCSTA and OCSTA/OCSBOA Business Seminar April 27, 2017 Reports from Trustees:

Mrs. Helen McCarthy shared a report on the Social Media – How to Leverage Digitally to Create Community which was presented on April 29, 2017 at the OCSTA AGM in Mississauga. Mrs. McCarthy shared that the session discussed how to enthuse others with "why" your message matters to them. Areas discussed were, target markets, platforms such as Facebook, Instagram and Twitter and the importance of considering the impact of the message.

Mrs. Linda Ainsworth shared a report on the Policy Development workshop she attended at the OCSTA AGM. This workshop involved a panel presentation by representatives from two school boards. Some areas of dialogue included:

- ensuring policies align with strategic plans and commitments
- the need to have clear and consistent policies
- continually monitoring legislative changes that could impact policies
- the importance of the consultation process
- the communication process
- orientation of new board members on policies
- ensuring appropriate timelines

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma attended a workshop on the Religion Program "Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ". The web site link was shared with Trustees. This is a wonderful link for students and parents from Pearson Canada. Mrs. Griepsma advised that our Board has purchased the online component portion in addition to the texts.

## E. Business, Finance and Governance:

1. 2017-2018 Approved School Year Calendar.

Ms. Joan Carragher, Superintendent of Learning, Leadership and Human Resource Services shared that the 2017-2018 PVNCCDSB Elementary and Secondary School Year Calendars have been approved by the Ministry of Education.

2. R.A. Re-naming of Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School, Courtice.

A letter was received from Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School Council in Courtice requesting that the name Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School be changed to St. Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School. A tentative date of September 19, 2017 was requested for an official celebration if approved.

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

that Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School, Courtice, be renamed

St. Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School, effective September, 2017.

Carried.

Response letter from the Ministry of Education regarding Special Education Funding.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, shared a response letter from the Ministry of Education regarding special education funding. Mrs. Griepsma advised that the Special Education Advisory Committee will be reviewing the letter this week and will determine if a reply letter is required. The letter has been shared with the SEAC Committee.

- F. Human Resources: No Items.
- G. Policy Development: No Items.
- 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, shared that below items were discussed at the Chairperson Committee:

- Discussion on the possibility of the Chairperson Committee reviewing and providing input for new policies and administrative procedures as part of the consultation process.
- Discussion on Board By-Laws regarding Open Question Period.
- The Annual Health and Safety Report will be coming to the Board in June.

Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Board Chairperson, shared the below information items:

- OYAP invitation for June 15, 2017 Celebration at Deer Creek in Ajax Mrs. Linda Ainsworth and Mrs. Ruth Ciraulo are both available to attend and will RSVP accordingly.
- Fleming College Centre for Success Celebration June 15, 2017 10:30 a.m.
   Mrs. Michelle Griepsma, Mr. Dan Demers and Mrs. Helen McCarthy are available to attend and were advised to RSVP.
- Durham College Centre for Success Celebration June 15, 2017 both Mrs. Linda Ainsworth and Mrs. Ruth Ciraulo plan to attend.
- Community Hub Summit May 1-2, 2017 provided an opportunity for representatives from trustees associations, municipal, regional and provincial governments, not-for-profits, social agencies and grassroots organizations to provide input on community hubs, discuss barriers to success and to network.
- Reminder that the survey for the upcoming "Renewing the Promise" Symposium deadline has been extended.
- May 29, 2017 is Lobby Day at Queen's Park Our Student Trustee and two PVNCCDSB students who attended the Vimy Ridge celebration along with Mr. Tim Moloney will attend.
- Canadian Parents for French (CPF) An email was received with suggestions to support the organization and parents. Also the possibility to sponsor a parent and an FSL educator to attend the symposium taking place October 28-29, 2017. Mrs. Michelle Griepsma will share the letter with Mrs. Linda Ainsworth who is on the French as a Second Language Advisory Committee. We should also ensure that all schools are associate members of CPF.
- Friends and Advocates for Catholic Education (FACE) webinar took place on May 15, 2017. Each Catholic Board should have a local team modelled after the provincial team.

Request from Trustees to have the next Board meeting O Canada half in French and half in English. Mrs. Linda Ainsworth will provide the wording.

## 2. Trustees Committee Reports (Past Committee Meeting Minutes):

a. There were no questions arising from the Past Committee Meeting Minutes that were shared in the Google Drive for the May 23, 2017 Board Meeting.

Mr. Nasello, Director of Education, shared that the Strategic Planning Focus groups have come to a close and will now begin the process of reviewing data and compiling themes and will look to bring a presentation to the Board in June, 2017.

## 3. System Achievements.

Mr. Galen Eagle, Communications Manager, presented the System Achievements for the month which have been posted on the Board web site.

4. Secondary Graduation Trustee/Sr. Administration School Assignments.

Graduation speaking assignments were shared with Trustees.

L. Open Question Period: No items.

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

- Board Standing Committee Meetings:
  - b Chairperson's June 12, 2017, 4:15 p.m.
  - > Policy Development **June 12**, **2017**, **6:00-6:30 p.m.**
  - > Governance June 12, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
  - > Board Meeting June 27, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
- 2. Other Committee Meetings:
  - > 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.
  - Accessibility for All Committee, May 18, 1:15 p.m.
  - > Special Education Advisory Committee May 25, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
  - > Catholic Parent Engagement Committee, June 5, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
  - First Nation, Métis, and Inuit Advisory Committee June 7, 2017, 1:30 p.m. at the Hiawatha First Nation.
  - Strategic Planning Advisory Committee June 7, 2017, 11:00 a.m. -1 2:00 p.m.
  - > STSCO Governance Meeting June 14, 2017, 3:15 p.m., STSCO Offices.
  - ⇒ Student Council Liaison Committee June 27, 2017, 4:15 p.m.

## EVENTS (chronological order)

- May 24, 2017
   Catholic Parent Engagement Committee and Catholic School Council Recognition Evening
- May 25-28, 2017 OSTA/AECO 2017 Annual General Meeting -Student Trustee(s), Toronto
- 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 Dan Demers,

that the Board approve the actions and the discussions arising from the In-Camera session on May 23, 2017, as follows:

#### Carried.

- **A.** 1. Opening Prayer was shared.
  - 2. The Agenda for the In-Camera meeting of May 23, 2017 was approved as amended.
  - 3. There were no declarations of conflict of interest.
  - 4. The draft Minutes of the April 25, 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 Motion was heard regarding Minutes of Settlement from the Expulsion Committee dated May 3, 2017.
  - 3. Performance Review update.
  - 4. STSCO update.
- **E.** Human Resources: two confidential HR matters were discussed.
- F. Other Urgent Matter: No Items.
- G. Information Items: No Items.
- H. Old Business: No Items.
- I. The Meeting convened as an Open Session at 6:38 p.m.
- 2. Closing Prayer.

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

3. Adjournment.

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

that the meeting adjourn; 9:15 p.m.

Carried.

M. Griepsma Chairperson per PS M. Nasello Director of Education