



Minutes

The Minutes of the Open Session of the Regular Board Meeting, held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre, 1355 Lansdowne Street West, Peterborough, and virtually, by Google Meet.

PRESENT:

Trustees – Linda Ainsworth, David Bernier, Loretta Durst, Braden Leal (Chairperson), Kevin MacKenzie, Siobhan Marie (Student Trustee).

Administration – Jeannie Armstrong, Joan Carragher, Jonathan Di Ianni, Galen Eagle, Isabel Grace, Father Paul Massel, Stephen O'Sullivan, Sheila Piggott, and Julie Selby.

Recorder – Michelle Kennedy

A. Call to Order of the Open Meeting:

The Board Chairperson Braden Leal called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed Principal representatives Christine Brodie, from St. Anne Catholic Elementary School and Shelley Adair, from Monsignor O'Donoghue Catholic Elementary School.

1. Examen and Opening Prayer

Father Paul Massel, Board Chaplain and Faith Animator, led a daily examen and opened the meeting with prayer.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Braden Leal, Board Chairperson, respectfully acknowledged that the board meeting was taking place on the treaty and traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabeg.

3. Singing of the National Anthem

A video of the National Anthem sung by students from St. Teresa Catholic Elementary School was played.

4. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Kevin MacKenzie

that the Agenda be approved.

Carried.

5. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

6. Approval of the Minutes of the April 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

MOTION: Moved by David Bernier, seconded by Loretta Durst
that the minutes of the April 26, 2022 Regular Meeting be approved.

Carried.

7. Business Arising Out of the Minutes.

There was no business arising out of the minutes.

B. Reports from the Office of the Director and Student Trustees:

1. Report from the Director of Education.

Joan Carragher gave the Director's Report, which included the following points:

- Prayers for those who lost their lives, were injured or experienced significant damage from the storm that impacted Ontario and Quebec on May 21.
- Acknowledged the Emergency Service Workers and Hydro workers who have worked to keep residents safe and restore power in the most affected areas.
- Gratitude was expressed to Superintendent Isabel Grace, Manager of Facilities Richard Driscoll, and his supervisors Tom O'Grady, and Donna Morris, who with their maintenance staff, Paul Grills, Robert Joyce, Jim Young and Kerri Seward who worked to ensure that the schools that were able to open were safe for our students. As of Wednesday, May 25, 30 of our 36 schools will be with power and open for classes.
- The Catholic Student Leadership Awards were celebrated on May 4th to recognize exceptional students who exemplify the Catholic Faith and are honoured by the board and the Catholic Principals Council through their sponsorship of the awards.
- The province-wide Mass was a highlight of Catholic Education Week which was live-streamed from St. Michael's Basilica in Toronto.

- The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association held the Ontario Student Youth Day virtually which had 30 students representing our six secondary schools participating.
- A lead-up event to the May 2023 ICE Symposium was recently held online and featured guest speaker Dr. Jill Gowdie. A team from PVNCCDSB will be formed to attend the conference next year and will be comprised of trustees, student representatives, and senior administration.
- Twelve PVNCCDSB administrators completed a Special Education Additional Qualification course designed for administrators that was led by Principals Shelley Adair and Christine Brodie.
- PVNCCDSB and Trillium Lakelands District School Board have partnered to present a virtual speaker series, "Time Immemorial: An Indigenous Speaker Series". Two sessions have already taken place and three more are planned during the month of June.
- The annual Catholic Parent Engagement Committee special event took place on May 18 and featured guest speakers Kevin Chief, Dr. Jean Clinton and Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe. There were approximately 150 participants who attended online and inperson.
- Indigenous speaker, Kevin Chief was also able to join a principal professional development session that was hosted at Hiawatha First Nation facilities.
- Visited Alderville First Nation with Superintendent Julie Selby, to visit the Education Centre, completing visits this year to all partners in the area:
- Met with leaders at the New Canadians Centre to discuss present and future supports to newcomer students. We have welcomed students from Ukraine, Nigeria, Philippines and other countries.
- The Progress flag, also known as the Inclusion flag will be flown at our schools at the beginning of June to support our work in the areas of equity and inclusion. The flag will be flown on the Canadian flag pole as a temporary solution until a second pole can be phased in to school sites over the next several years.
- Joan Carragher and Sheila Piggott, Superintendent of Learning are working with the Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers Association to review the Right to Read Inquiry report and further advise the Ministry of Education regarding next steps to address curriculum and resources.
- E-learning courses have been mandated for Grades 9 and 10 beginning in the 2022-2023 school year. Online courses will be integrating Catholic content and writing teams are being compiled from teachers from seventeen boards, including PVNCCDSB.
- PVNCCDSB is one of many boards that have joined the Ontario E-learning Consortium and has access to share seats in online credit course offerings.

- Vocare is a Shalom World Television program and the latest episode will feature on their world stage, Father Paul Massel, Board Chaplain and Faith Animator. p

Following her report, Joan Carragher invited questions and comments from the trustees.

2. Introduction of the 2022-20223 Junior Student Trustee, Madelyn Gaskell.

Joan Carragher, Director of Education introduced Madelyn (Maddy) Gaskell, Grade 10 student from Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School. Mrs. Carragher congratulated Maddy on her election to the position of Junior Student Trustee for the 2022-2023 school year and invited her to say a few words. Maddy Gaskell expressed her excitement to work with the trustees and begin her role with the Board of Trustees where she will represent the students of PVNCCDSB.

3. Report from the Student Trustee, Siobhan Marie.

Student Trustee Siobhan Marie gave the Student Trustee report which included the following highlights:

- There were many student-led fundraisers in the secondary schools this month including Green Shirt Day for mental health awareness and Red Shirt Day on May 5th in honour of the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-spirit people.
- Asante Haughton was the guest speaker and facilitator at a student leadership training session for student cabinet and Link Leaders at Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School.
- Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School has returned to the production and sale of their yearbook and the school recently hosted a family online cooking night.
- An Arts Evening and Coffee House has returned to St. Peter Catholic Secondary School and the proceeds were donated to Peterborough Child and Family Centre.
- Catholic Student Leadership awards were celebrated on May 4th honouring students who demonstrate the Catholic Graduate Expectations and leadership in their school and parish.
- The Student Council Liaison Committee looks forward to next year and will decide on the format and structure of the meetings for the 2022-2023 school year. The June SCLC meeting will be held in person for the first time in two years.

Siobhan Marie invited questions and comments at the conclusion of her report.

4. Report from the Manager of Communications.

The Manager of Communications, Galen Eagle shared system achievements from all areas of the board which included the following highlights and initiatives from the PVNC Inspires newsletter:

- 2022 Catholic Student Leadership Awards ceremony held in person at Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School, May 4, 2022.
- City-wide badminton tournament was organized by St. John Catholic Elementary School students who raised funds for humanitarian relief efforts in Ukraine.
- An overview of the classroom activities that have been celebrated through social media during the month of May
- The latest episode from Shalom World's series "Vocare" features Board Chaplain and Faith Animator, Father Paul Massel and his life's story and call to the priesthood.
- A scripted reading of "Dracula" by Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary School drama students.
- Everyday Hero Award program featured 16 recipients during the month of May.

At the conclusion of his report, Galen Eagle invited questions and comments from the trustees.

C. Presentations:

1. R.A. St. Peter Catholic Secondary School Excursion to Guatemala, April 15-23, 2023.

Superintendent of Learning Jonathan Di Ianni introduced Paul Hough, Vice-principal, St. Peter Catholic Secondary School, and Teachers from St. Peter Catholic Secondary School, Monica Nolan, Kevin O'Neill, and Tracy Musclow. The teachers gave an overview of the proposed trip and the measures being taken to ensure student and staff safety. They explained the benefits, religious experience and outcomes for the students who participate in the excursion to Guatemala with the organization 'Maximo Nivel.' The presenters answered questions from the trustees at the conclusion of the presentation.

MOTION:

Moved by Kevin MacKenzie, seconded by Loretta Durst

that the proposed St. Peter Catholic Secondary School Student Excursion to Guatemala, Central America, from April 15, 2023 to April 23, 2023, 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.

2. Proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School, Cobourg, Student Excursion to France and Spain, March 10-17, 2023.

Superintendent of Learning Sheila Piggott introduced Jason Roberts, Principal of St. Mary Catholic Secondary School and Curtis Chornie, Teacher at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School. The details of the excursion were reviewed and following the presentation, the presenters answered the trustees' questions.

MOTION: Moved by David Bernier, seconded by Linda Ainsworth

that the proposed St. Mary Catholic Secondary School Student Excursion to France and Spain, from March 10-17, 2023, 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.

3. Providing Excellence in Teaching and Learning: Deep Inquiry Learning.

Superintendents of Learning, Sheila Piggott and Julie Selby, gave a powerpoint presentation to review the work being undertaken in the board with respect to Deep Inquiry Learning. The principles and framework of Deep Inquiry Learning were reviewed as were the reasons for the focus of this type of learning. Examples of the various types of inquiries (structured, controlled, guided and free) and the various ways in which they can take place, were explained. Julie Selby and Sheila Piggott answered questions from the trustees at the end of the presentation.

4. Protecting the Environment.

Superintendent of Learning Sheila Piggott provided to the trustees, by means of a PowerPoint presentation, a second update for this year on the strategic priority, Protecting the Environment.

Sheila Piggott reported on the further development of the Protecting the Environment Program has been implemented in PVNCCDSB schools from Grades K-12. The pilot certification plan was launched at the end of March 2022 provides ideals for growth and meaningful learning and whole-school participation and encourages social media to share using #pvncECOhope. The presentation included the planned next steps which identified areas for growth and summarized short and long-term goals which will connect

with new components of the science curriculum for Grades K-9.

Following the presentation, Sheila Piggott answered questions and comments from the trustees.

D. Programs and Services:

E. Business, Finance and Governance:

1. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Open Session Report.

Board Chairperson Braden Leal reminded trustees that June 2, 2022 is the provincial election day in Ontario and it is also the first day of the virtual conference being held by the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association (CCSTA).

In her Regional Report, Linda Ainsworth, also encouraged all trustees to participate in the CCSTA Virtual Conference as there are notable keynote speakers and to support the Ontario contingent, led by Pat Daly.

2. STSCO Governance Committee, Open Session Report, May 11, 2022.

Joan Carragher, Director of Education noted that there were no open session items on which to report from the meeting held on May 11.

F. Human Resources:

1. 2022-2023 Staffing Report.

Stephen O'Sullivan, Superintendent of human Resource Services presented a report regarding the staffing needs for the 2022-2023 school year based on system needs and predicted enrollment for September 2022. Sources of funding relating to the staffing of CUPE and OECTA positions were reported as was the number of retirement notifications received to date.

G. Policy Development:

1. Recommended Actions from the Policy Development Committee, May 17, 2022.

MOTION: Moved by Kevin MacKenzie, seconded by Linda Ainsworth that the Board receive the report and recommendations from the Policy Development Committee dated May 17, 2022, for publication and implementation.

Carried.

H. Old Business:

I. New Business:

J. Bring Forward:

K. Information Items:

1. Chairperson's Report

Board Chairperson, Braden Leal expressed his heartfelt thanks to the Facilities Management team for their work with the prompt cleanup at St. Catherine Catholic Elementary School following recent vandalism incidents. The Chairperson also acknowledged the recent storm that affected a large portion of the region and the hardship of many who remain without hydro and those families that have endured injury.

2. Committee Chairperson's Report:

- a. Accessibility for All Committee, May 5, 2022.
- b. Faith and Equity Advisory Committee, May 12, 2022.
- c. Special Education Advisory Committee, May 19, 2022.

L. Future Meetings and Events:

1. Board Meeting

- a. Special Board Meeting, In-camera Session, May 25, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
- b. Regular Board Meeting Open Session, June 28, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
(In-camera Session, 6:00 p.m.)

2. Board Standing Committee Meetings: (Listed in chronological order.)

- a. Chairperson's Committee, June 13, 2022, 5:00 p.m.
- b. Committee-of-the-Whole, June 13, 2022.
- c. Policy Development Committee, October 4, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

3. Other Committee Meetings: (Listed in chronological order.):

- a. Catholic Parent Engagement Committee, May 30, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

- b. First Nation Métis Inuit Advisory Committee, June 7, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
- c. Special Education Advisory Committee, June 16, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
- d. Student Council Liaison Committee, June 28, 2022, 4:15 p.m.
- e. Accessibility for All Committee, TBA.
- f. Audit Committee, TBA.
- g. Faith and Equity Advisory Committee, TBA.
- h. French as a Second Language Advisory Committee, TBA.
- i. Supervised Alternative Learning Committee (SAL), TBA.

4. Board Events:

- a. Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association (CCSTA) Annual General Meeting and Convention, June 2-3, 2022. (virtual event).
- b. Secondary School Graduation Ceremonies, June 29, 2022.

MOTION: Moved by Kevin MacKenzie, seconded by David Bernier
that the meeting move into closed session at 8:58 pm.

Carried.

Open session reconvened at 9:14 p.m.

M. Conclusion:

1. Report from the In-camera Meeting, May 24, 2022.

MOTION: Moved by David Bernier, seconded by Loretta Durst
that the Board approve the actions and the discussions arising
from the May 24, 2022, in-camera session, as follows:

- A. Call to Order:
 - 1. Opening Prayer
 - 2. Motion for the Approval of agenda.
 - 3. There were no conflicts of interest declared.
 - 4. Minutes from the April 26, 2022 Regular In-camera meeting were approved.
- D. Business, Finance and Governance:
 - 1. OCSTA In-Camera Report.

2. STSCO Governance Committee, In-camera Report.
 3. Approval of a recommended action from the STSCO Governance Committee meeting, In-camera session, May 11, 2022.
 4. 2022-2023 Budget Staffing Implications
- E. Human Resources:
1. Principal/Vice-principal Assignments, 2022-2023.
- I. Convening in Open Session:
1. Closing Prayer.
 2. Motion to convene in Open Session.

Carried.

2. Closing Prayer

Trustee Linda Ainsworth led the closing prayer to end the meeting.

3. Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Linda Ainsworth, seconded by Loretta Durst
that the open session meeting be adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

Carried.

Braden Leal
Board Chairperson

Joan Carragher
Director of Education, Secretary-Treasurer
per M.K.