



Minutes

The Minutes of the Open Session of the Special Board Meeting, held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. at the Catholic Education Centre, 1355 Lansdowne Street West, Peterborough, and virtually, by Google Meet.

Present:

Trustees – Loretta Durst, Joshua Glover, Jenny Leahy, Kevin MacKenzie (Chairperson), Mary Ann Martin, and Kathleen Tanguay.

Administration – Jeannie Armstrong, Jonathan Di Ianni, Galen Eagle, Sean Heuchert, Darren Kahler, 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 Kevin MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. Examen and Opening Prayer

Father Paul Massel, Board Chaplain and Faith Animator, was invited by the board chairperson to lead a daily examen and open the meeting with prayer.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Kevin MacKenzie, 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

The National Anthem was sung.

4. Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: Moved by Mary Ann Martin, seconded by Loretta Durst
that the agenda be approved.

Carried.

5. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

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

C. Presentations:

1. Trustee Candidate Presentations.

Board Chairperson, Kevin MacKenzie formally welcomed the candidates and meeting attendees who were present in the room and online. Mr. MacKenzie requested the trustees and administration introduce themselves. Following introductions, the process of the delivery of the presentations by the candidates and the ensuing vote, was explained. Candidates were requested to leave the boardroom prior to their own presentation. Following their own presentation, candidates were made welcome to stay for the remainder of the presentations and the trustee vote.

In alphabetical order by last name, each of the candidates were allotted ten minutes to give an oral presentation of their responses the following questions which were provided to them in advance:

1. What motivated you to come forward to be a Catholic School Board Trustee with PVNCCDSB?
2. Please describe how important it is for the new trustee to have a deep understanding of Catholic values and traditions, and what this understanding might look like in practice.
3. What specific experience or qualification do you bring as a Trustee that supports our vision of creating a culture of faith, hope, and love to ensure equity and well-being?
4. Is there any additional information you would like to provide us about yourself that we should consider?

Presentations were given by the following individuals: Mandy Chan, John Connolly, Dan Demers, Aaron Dorris, Edna Dzathor, and Anthony Petrasek.

Following each of the presentations, trustees were given the opportunity to ask questions to clarify any information given in the presentation. .

D. Programs and Services:

E. Business, Finance and Governance:

1. Appointment of Tellers.

At the conclusion of the presentations Board Chairperson Kevin MacKenzie gave details of the voting process. It was noted that the first round of voting would reduce the number of candidates from six to three through an electronic ballot system which would assign points based on the trustees' rankings of their first, second and third choices. The three candidates with the greatest number of votes would carry forward to the second round of voting to determine the successful candidate.

MOTION: Moved by Mary Ann Martin, seconded by Kathleen Tanguay that Michelle Kennedy act as the electronic teller.

Carried.

MOTION: Moved by Joshua Glover, seconded by Mary Ann Martin that Board Chaplain/Faith Animator, Father Paul Massel be appointed as a teller.

Carried.

MOTION: Moved by Mary Ann Martin, seconded by Loretta Durst that Superintendent Jeannie Armstrong be appointed as a teller.

Carried.

2. Election of New Trustee.

The vote took place to reduce the number of candidates from six to three. Following the first round of votes, the following individuals were selected to proceed to the next round: John Connolly, Aaron Dorris, and Anthony Petrasek.

The second round of voting by paper ballots resulted in a three-way tie, thus requiring a second round of electronic voting to rank the remaining candidates by points for first, second and third choice. The following individuals were selected to proceed to the next round: John Connolly and Aaron Dorris.

Paper ballots were distributed and tallied and John Connolly was declared the successful candidate with a majority of votes. Board Chairperson Kevin MacKenzie declared John Connolly the new trustee for the City of Peterborough.

3. Destroying of the Ballots.

MOTION: Moved by Loretta Durst, seconded by Kathleen Tanguay that the ballots be destroyed.

Carried.

4. Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance of the newly appointed Trustee.

Board Chairperson Kevin MacKenzie invited John Connolly to come forward to recite the Declaration of Office and give an Oath of Allegiance. Father Paul Massel led a prayer and blessing on Mr. Connolly in his role as trustee at the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board.

F. Human Resources:

G. Policy Development:

H. Old Business:

I. New Business:

J. Bring Forward:

K. Information Items:

L. Future Meetings and Events:

1. Board Meetings:

- a. Regular Board Meeting Open Session, September 26, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
(In-camera Session, 6:00 p.m.)

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

- a. Chairperson's Committee, October 10, 2023, 5:30 p.m.
- b. Committee-of-the-Whole, October 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
- c. Policy Development Committee, October 17, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

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

- a. First Nation Métis Inuit Advisory Committee, September 19, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
- b. Student Council Liaison Committee, September 26, 2023, 4:15 p.m.
- c. Special Education Advisory Committee, September 28, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
- d. Audit Committee, September 28, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

- e. Catholic Parent Engagement Committee, October 2, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
- f. Accessibility for All Committee, October 12, 2023, 1:00 p.m.
- g. Faith and Equity Advisory Committee, October 12, 2023, 6:30 p.m.
- h. STSCO Governance, October 25, 2023, 3:00 p.m.
- i. French as a Second Language Advisory Committee, November 8, 2023, 4:30 p.m.
- j. Supervised Alternative Learning Committee (SAL), TBA.

4. Board Events:

- a. OCSTA Fall Regional Meeting, September 20, 2023, PVNCCDSB Catholic Education Centre.

M. Conclusion:

1. Closing Prayer

Board Chairperson, Kevin MacKenzie invited Father Paul Massel to lead the closing prayer to end the meeting.

2. Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Mary Ann Martin, seconded by Jenny Leahy
that the open session meeting be adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Carried.

Kevin MacKenzie
Board Chairperson

Stephen O'Sullivan
Director of Education, Secretary-Treasurer
per M.K.