

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

Meeting #17 – Wednesday, November 10, 2010

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 p.m., in the Board Room, Catholic Education Centre, 46 Alliance Boulevard, Barrie.

2. REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Remembrances for the Deceased:

The late **David Allen Mathews**, father of Jim Mathews, supply custodian.

The late **Theresa Cahill**, sister to Amy Chisholm office assistant, sister in law to Trevor Chisholm, chief custodian, aunt of Nicole Palma, teacher, and Ryan, Ashley, Sarah and Elie, students.

The late **Ted Willmore**, father of Sue Klint, teacher.

The late **Glenda Tobin**, mother of Michelle Barron, teacher and grandmother of Shaunacy, and Taylor, students.

The late **Grace Walsh**, mother of Roberta Newman, transportation officer.

The late **Robert Adir**, uncle of Marilyn Woodcock, chief custodian, George Kenny, chief custodian and great uncle to Sean Woodcock, chief custodian and Karen Woodcock, custodian.

The late **Avery Gavin Morrison**, infant son of Sandra Morrison, teacher.

The late **George Vandenbrink**, father of Irene Cowan teacher and grandfather of Alicia and Katrina, students.

The late **John Gris **, trustee and former Chair and Vice-Chair of the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board, and husband of Mary Gris , teacher.

The Remembrance Day prayer service included a presentation by Michael O'Keefe, Director of Education and St. Joseph's Catholic High School students Emily and Christina, about their trip to Europe to experience the 65th Anniversary of the Victory in Europe.

The late Sapper Brian Collier, former student of Marie of the Incarnation Catholic Elementary School and Holy Trinity Catholic High School, who was killed while on foot patrol in Afghanistan, in July 2010, was also remembered.

Special tribute was also given for the late John Gris , Catholic trustee and former Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: **Jim Canning – Board Chair**, Clayton Ferguson, Rick Maloney, Sergio Morales, Theresa Pinder, Connie Positano, Lydia Reekie, Diana Riffert

Regrets: Justin Heran, Suzanne Youngs
Resource: **Michael O’Keefe – Director of Education**, Brian Beal, Glenn Clarke, Peter Derochie, Jane Dillon-Leitch, Diane Legg, Mary Puopolo, Darren Schmidt, Enda Soostar
Recorder: Belinda Marcellus

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

An additional agenda item was suggested under Information Items:
9.3) 17-2010: Trustee Vacancy.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for the approval of the meeting agenda as amended.

5. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil.

6. DELEGATIONS

Nil.

7. PRESENTATIONS

Celebrating God’s Gift of Life and the Wonder of Life in our Community

1) Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting

Michele Litster, Secondary Curriculum Consultant provided information about the new Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting processes, as mandated by the Ministry of Education. Students will now received a progress report in November and two report cards per school year, rather than three, in January and June. The six themes were reviewed, which include: responsibility; organization; independent work; collaboration; initiative; and self-regulation; and apply for all student from grades 1 to 12.

8. ACTION ITEMS

1) **Report 8.1) 17-2010: Architects List**

Recommendation: That the Board approve the extension of the current approved architectural firms listed in the major and minor pools from December 2010 to December 2011.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the recommendation.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) **Report 9. 1) 17-2010: Early Learning Kindergarten Program: Phase Three**

Site Selection

The report outlined the site selection being considered for submission to the Ministry of Education, on November 26, 2010. Further collaboration with municipalities is underway and a final list will be brought to the November 24th Board meeting.

It was noted that the sites selected will require considerable capital investment for renovations, construction and retrofits, to meet Ministry of Education early learning classroom standards.

2) Report 9. 2) 17-2010: Capital Project Submission to the Ministry of Education

This list included in the report is being further refined and a recommendation will be brought to the Board prior to the January 2011 submission deadline.

3) Report 9. 3) 17-2010: Trustee Vacancy

Information provided by Hugh Kelly of Miller Thomson LLP, through the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA), indicated that the new Board of Trustees will have 90 days from their inaugural meeting on December 1st, to fill the trustee vacancy left by the passing of John Grisé.

The new Board will have three options which include: a by-election at the Board's expense; appointment; or a selection process. Past vacancies have been filled through a selection process.

10. ROUTINE

1) Approval of Minutes

i) Board Meeting #16 – Wednesday, October 20, 2010

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

11. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES

Clarification was provided on the process to introduce new programs and to have the required resources in place to implement those programs, in the secondary schools.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST

Student Trustee, Sergio Morales, advised that students from St. Joseph's Catholic High School would be attending a Remembrance Day service at CFB Borden. He encouraged everyone to recognize a minute of silence wherever they are and whatever they may be doing at the time.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA):
 - a) October 20, 2010 - Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs
Update – Ministry of Education School Board Administration and Governance Grant Advisory Group
 - b) October 29, 2010 – Mike McPhee, Coordinator, Labour Relations
Restraint Consultation – Ministry Dwight Duncan's Letter
 - c) October 29, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
Filling of Vacancies in Office of OCSTA Director
 - d) October 29, 2010 – Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs
Questions and Answers regarding Early Learning Memo 11 – Planning for Year 3
 - e) October 29, 2010 – Margaret Binns, Office Administrator
OCSTA Travel Accident Insurance Policy – December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2011
 - f) November 2, 2010 – OCSTA
Niagara Catholic Students, Staff & Supporters Participate in 35th Annual Pilgrimage
2. November 2, 2010 – Monsignor J.E. Ronan Catholic School
Newsletter, Volume 2, Issue 3
3. November 3, 2010 – Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board
Media release: Board Mourns Loss of Trustee

INSERT OTHER CORRESPONDENCE HERE

14. MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 17, 2010	Board Policy Review Committee #7	7:30pm.
Wednesday, November 24, 2010	SEAC #7	5:30pm.
Wednesday, November 24, 2010	Board Meeting #18	7:30pm.

15. PRIVATE SESSION

16. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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17. NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting #18	Wednesday, November 24, 2010	7:30 p.m.
Agenda Deadline Date:	Wednesday, November 17, 2010	4:30 p.m.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

19. CLOSING PRAYER

The Closing prayer will be led by Trustee Ferguson.