

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

Meeting #02 – Wednesday, December 15, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Clayton Ferguson, Board Chair, in the Board Room at The Catholic Education Centre, 46 Alliance Boulevard, Barrie.

2. **OPENING PRAYER**

The opening prayer will be led by Trustee Shawn Cooper.

Remembrances for the Deceased:

- The late **Helen Fredina Richards**, grandmother of Christine Trueman, teacher and great-grandmother of Lise, student.
- The late **Charles Edward “Ted” Bryant**, father of Liz Payton, teacher and grandfather of Jay and Ty, students.
- The late **Penny Dibble-Perks**, mother of Kristin Dibble-Pechkovsky, Planning Officer.
- The late **Yvonne Hook**, mother-in-law of Lynda Hook, retired teacher and grandmother of Sean Hook, teacher.
- The late **Giancarlo Corradini**, uncle of Christina Corradini, custodian.
- The late **Sylvia Myler**, mother-in-law of Heinrich Bebie, principal.
- The late **Michael Weber**, father-in-law of Michael van Geene, ASD Transition Coordinator and father of Pam van Geene, teacher-in-training and recent volunteer.
- The late **Pat Weeks**, mother of Nancy Dickinson, teacher and mother-in-law of Gord Skultety, teacher.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: **Clayton Ferguson – Board Chair**, Carol Corriveau-Truchon, Connie Positano, Francis Smith
via Teleconference: Shawn Cooper, Maria Hardie, and Jeanny Salmon at 7:40 p.m.
Resource: **Michael O’Keefe – Director of Education**, Brian Beal, Glenn Clarke, Peter Derochie, Darren Schmidt, Enda Soostar
via Teleconference: Jane Dillon-Leitch, Diane Legg
Regrets: Mary Puopolo
Recorder: Belinda Marcellus

4. **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Meeting Agenda.

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) **2010 Christmas Card**

For several years now, students from both our elementary and secondary schools have been invited to submit their artwork for the Board's Christmas card competition. The only criteria that we have for the submissions are that they reflect our Catholic faith and the spiritual meaning of Christmas. Julia Sergi, a Grade 4 student from Monsignor Clair Catholic School in Barrie is the creator of the artwork for this year's card and she was in Grade 3 last year when she did this.

Board Chair Clayton Ferguson congratulated Julia, and thanked her and her teacher Rita Borgogelli for their efforts and talent to portray the true meaning of Christmas on the Board's annual Christmas Card. The card is sent to school boards across Ontario and to dignitaries such as Dalton McGuinty - Premier of Ontario, Leona Dombrowsky – Minister of Education, and even to Stephen Harper - Prime Minister of Canada.

8. **ACTION ITEMS**

1) **Report 8. 1) 02-2011: SEAC Membership 2011**

Recommendation: That the Board approve the 2011 membership for the Special Education Advisory Committee as presented, effective immediately.

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

2) **Report 8. 2) 02-2011: Lease - Prince of Peace Catholic Elementary School**

Recommendation: That the Board approve the extension of the Prince of Peace Catholic Elementary School lease with the Department of National Defence to September 30th, 2013.

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

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

1) Report 9. 1) 02-2011: 2011 Committee Appointments

It was noted that trustees can attend and participate in meetings for any committee even if they are not appointed to that committee but only those officially designated have voting rights.

2) Report 9. 2) 02-2011: Student Trustee-Elect 2011

Student Trustee Sergio Morales noted that he was present when the Board's student senate elected Jessica. Sergio indicated that he looks forward to working with Jessica at the Board table.

3) Report 9. 3) 02-2011: Update and Status of 2010 Audited Financial Statements

It was noted that the Board will submit a draft audited financial statement to the Ministry of Education, with the caveat that the Board will be asked to approve the audited financial statements on January 12, 2011, which could result in changes to the draft sent to the Ministry.

4) Special Education Advisory Committee

i) Minutes – Meeting #07 – Wednesday, September 08, 2010

10. ROUTINE

1) Approval of Minutes – Board Meetings

i) Minutes – Meeting #18 – Wednesday, November 24, 2010

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

ii) Minutes – 2011 Inaugural Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 1, 2010

Deferred to the next meeting.

11. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES

Nil.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST

An opportunity is provided for trustees to bring forward any items of interest, such as events or activities which may be of interest to the Board.

Trustee Shawn Cooper attended Orphan Annie, a fundraiser for social justice causes at Jean Vanier Catholic High School. He commended the staff and students on a successful production.

Vice Chair Connie Positano attended the installation of the 300th defibrillator at Sister Catherine Donnelly School on Monday, December 13th. Representatives of the Hearth & Stroke Foundation, St. John Ambulance and John McEachern, father of the late Chase McEachern, were in attendance.

Sister Catherine Donnelly also presented a cheque for \$1000 to the Hope For Learning Foundation. Funds were raised by the Parent Council through a bake sale held on the evening of the school's Advent Mass.

Board Chair Clayton Ferguson presented Director of Education Michael O'Keefe with a cheque for \$380 to the Hope for Learning Foundation. The funds were collected, in lieu of a gift exchange, during the Christmas gathering held with the 2010 and 2011 trustees as well as education leadership council, at their annual Christmas gathering.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA)
 - i) November 30, 2010 – Carol Devine, Director-Legislative and Political Affairs Update #2 – Ministry of Education School Board Administration and Governance Grant Advisory Group
 - ii) November 30, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
Ontario's Catholic School Board Communicators' Annual Seminary At Dufferin-Peel CDSB
 - iii) November 30, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
Simcoe Muskoka CDSB Trustees Elect Clayton Ferguson Chair
 - iv) December 3, 2010 – Carol Devine, Director – Legislative and Political Affairs Bill 122 – Broader Public Sector Accountability Act, 2010
 - v) December 7, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
Good News Update
 - vi) December 7, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
York Catholic Trustees Acclaim Elizabeth Crowe Board Chair
 - vii) December 9, 2010 – Jane Ponte, Executive Assistant
CCSTA Newsletter December 2010
 - viii) December 9, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
OCSTA Letter to the Minister of Education re: Early Learning Program
 - ix) December 10, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
News for the Province from Windsor Essex CDSB
 - x) December 10, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
OCSTA Newswire – December 2010

- xi) December 13, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
Globe and Mail – Faith in Society – Dr. Michael Higgins among panelists
- xii) December 13, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications and Media Relations
A New Day for Toronto Catholic, says newly elected Chair Ann Andrachuk
- xiii) December 14, 2010 – 2010-11 Estimates Data
- 2) December 10, 2010 – Ontario Student Trustees’ Association
ECHO Newsletter
- 3) December 12, 2010 - Lou Rocha, Project Manager - Friends and Advocates of Catholic Education (FACE) Project
Ontario Legislative Highlights

14. MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 04, 2011	Discipline Committee (cancelled)	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 12, 2011	SEAC Meeting #01 – GMR – Bell Farm <i>General Meeting Room – 80 Bell Farm</i>	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 12, 2011	Selection Committee – Audit – ELC Room <i>ELC Room – 46 Alliance</i>	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 12, 2011	Board Meeting #03 – Board Room <i>Board Room – 46 Alliance</i>	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 18, 2011	Discipline Committee – ELC Room <i>ELC Room – 46 Alliance</i>	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 26, 2011	SAL Committee – 80 Bell Farm <i>Room B – 80 Bell Farm</i>	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 26, 2011	Board Policy Review Committee Meeting #01 <i>Board Room – 46 Alliance</i>	7:30 p.m.

15. PRIVATE SESSION

16. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Nil.

17. NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting #03:	Wednesday, January 12, 2011	7:30 p.m.
	<i>(individual and group photos at 7:00 p.m.)</i>	
Agenda Deadline Date:	Wednesday, January 05, 2011	4:30 p.m.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:22 p.m.

19. CLOSING PRAYER

The Closing Prayer was led by Trustee Carol Corriveau-Truchon.