

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

Meeting #02 – Wednesday, January 13, 2010

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by James Canning, Board Chair, at 7:34 p.m.

2. **OPENING PRAYER**

“Psalm 26 – *The Triumph of Innocence*” led by Student Trustee Jacob Brodka

3. **ROLL CALL**

Michael O’Keefe, Director of Education, conducted the Roll Call of the Board of Trustees to establish quorum for the Meeting.

Present: Jim Canning, Clayton Ferguson, Rick Maloney, Theresa Pinder, Connie Positano, Diana Riffert, Jacob Brodka

Regrets: Juston Heran, John Grise,

Resource: **Michael O’Keefe, Director of Education**, Brian Beal, Glenn Clarke, Peter Derochie, Jane Dillon-Leitch, Diane Legg, Mary Puopolo, Darren Schmidt, Enda Soostar

Recording: Susan Tesi

4. **AGENDA APPROVAL**

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

5. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Trustees advised there are no Conflicts of Interest pertaining to items on the Public Session portion of the Agenda.

6. **DELEGATIONS**

None

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

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

1) **2009 Christmas Card**

- Diane Legg, Director of Corporate Communications and Public Affairs – Introduced Nick Colaco – grade 4 student of St. Catherine of Sienna
- Nick created the original artwork for the 2009 SMCDSB Christmas Card.

2) **Construction Projects**

a) **St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School, Barrie**

Glenn Clarke – Controller of Plant, Allen Morrison – Manager of Capital Projects and Doug Snyder of Snyder Architects provided an update on the St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School construction project.

- b) **St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School, Barrie**
Glenn Clarke, Allen Morrison, and John Jeffery of John Jeffrey Architects will present an update on the construction project for St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School.

8. **ACTION ITEMS**

1) **Report 8. 1) 02-2010: 2010 Committee Appointments**

Recommendation: That the Board approve the establishment of the four Ad Hoc Committees of Joint Task Force Committee with The Simcoe County District School Board; the Georgian West Pupil Accommodation Committee; the Catholic Education Centre Facilities Committee; and the OCSTA Resolutions Committee, as presented.

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

2) **Report 8. 2) 02-2010: Amendment to 2010 Meeting Schedule – Board Policy Review Committee & Special Education Advisory Committee**

Recommendation #01: That the Board approve the change for the Board Policy Review Committee Meeting from Wednesday, June 23, 2010 to Wednesday, June 16, 2010.

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

Recommendation #02: That the Board approve the changes for the Special Education Advisory Committee Meetings to include an additional meeting on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 and to move the Wednesday, June 30, 2010 Meeting to Wednesday, June 23, 2010.

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

3) **Report 8. 3) 02-2010: 2010 Special Education Advisory Committee Membership**

Recommendation: That the Board approve the 2010 Membership for the Special Education Advisory Committee as presented, effective immediately.

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

9. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

1) **Report 9. 1) 02-2010: Innisfil (Alcona) Boundary Analysis for Holy Cross & St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary Schools**

2) **Report 9. 2) 02-2010: New St. Paul's Catholic Elementary School Boundary Review**

- 3) Report 9. 3) 02-2010: Town of Collingwood Education Development Charges Appeal – Update
- 4) Report 9. 4) 02-2010: Director’s Annual Report 2008-2009 – *Rooted in Faith, Hope and Love*
- 5) Special Education Advisory Committee
 - i) Minutes – Meeting #07 – Wednesday, October 14, 2009
- 6) Report 9. 6) 02-2010: Student Trustee Appointment

10. INAUGURATION OF STUDENT TRUSTEE ELECT

Michael O’Keefe, Director of Education, lead Sergio Morales, in his Declaration and Oath of Allegiance.

In accordance with the Board’s Procedural Bylaw the Board of Trustees appointed Trustee Diana Riffert as Board mentor for Sergio and appointed Sergio to the Special Education Advisory Committee.

11. ROUTINE

- 1) Approval of Minutes – Board Meetings
 - i) Minutes –Meeting #18 – Wednesday, November 25, 2009
Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the minutes
 - ii) Minutes – 2010 Initial Board Meeting – Wednesday, December 2, 2009
Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the minutes

12. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES

Trustees have the opportunity at this time to bring forward any enquiries regarding local or broader issues which may be of interest to the Board.

Support will be given for the Haiti fund raising efforts within SMCDSB.

13. ITEMS OF INTEREST

This opportunity is provided for trustees to bring forward any items of interest.

- Board Chair, Jim Canning – Read the letter from Mary Fairhead. Notice of Retirement.
- Trustee Theresa Pinder –Jean Vanier put on a wonderful performance of the Lion King. The art work was amazing, the show was entertaining and well done.
- A special needs graduate student from Jean Vanier, Michael, was a torch bearer for the Olympics. He went to Thunder Bay to do his run.
- Trustee Connie Positano attended a breakfast conference, an excellent opportunity to see a documentary developed by Andre Casbonne – the Crown Ward – following four teenagers

through foster care and their stories and their struggles.

- Debbie Cummings is one of the lead people for the Championship team – she is also involved with the Child Youth Services.

14. CORRESPONDENCE

1) *Ministry of Education:*

- i) December 1, 2009 - The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Minister of Education: Passage of Bill 177 – Student Achievement & School Board Governance Act, 2009
- ii) December 1, 2009 – Office of the Minister of Education:
 - i) News Release: School Boards’ Top Priority Is Now Student Achievement – McGuinty Government’s Legislation Will Strengthen School Boards, Student Success
 - ii) Backgrounder: School Board Governance in Ontario

2) *Ontario Catholic School Trustees’ Association:*

- i) November 27, 2009 - Carol Devine, Director of Legislative & Political Affairs: Joint Submission regarding Bill 168, Occupational Health & Safety Amendment Act (Violence & Harassment in the Workplace), 2009
- ii) December 2009 - Sharon McMillan, Co-ordinator of Communications & Media Relations:

Good News in Catholic Schools:

 - 1) Halton CDSB: New Vision Statement & Leadership Highlight December Board Meeting
 - 2) CDSBEO: Veteran Trustees Acclaimed to Leadership Roles
- iii) December 2, 2009 – Ashlee Cabral:

News Release: Veteran Educational Leader to Take the Helm at Catholic School Board Group
- iv) December 2, 2009 – Carol Devine, Director of Legislative & Political Affairs: Bill 177, the Student Achievement & School Board Governance Act, 2009
- v) December 9, 2009 - Carol Devine, Director of Legislative & Political Affairs: Passage of Bill 212 – Changes to Municipal Elections Act
- vi) January 7, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Co-ordinator of Communications & Media Relations:

OCSTA Social Media Work – Catholic Education Fan Page
- vii) January 10, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Co-ordinator of Communications & Media Relations:

Ontario Municipal Elections 2010 Guide

- 3) *Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation:*
"Update" November 27, 2009 Vol. 37 No. 3

15. MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 27, 2010 *Board Policy Review Committee Meeting #01* 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 3, 2010 *Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting #01* 5:30 p.m.
(subject to approval of Recommendation presented at the 13-January-2010 Board Meeting)
Wednesday, February 3, 2010 *BOARD MEETING #03* 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 24, 2010 *Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting #02* 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 24, 2010 *BOARD MEETING #04* 7:30 p.m.

16. PRIVATE SESSION

- 1) **Move into Private Session - Contract, Personnel, Legal, or Property Matters**
Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to move into Private Session to consider Contract, Personnel, Legal, or Property Matters at 9:02 p.m.

17. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

18. NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting #03: Wednesday, February 3, 2010 7:30 p.m.
Agenda Deadline Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2010 4:30 p.m.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to adjourn the Board Meeting at 9:40 p.m.

20. CLOSING PRAYER

The Closing Prayer will be led by Trustee Diana Riffert.