

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

Meeting #15 – Wednesday, September 7, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order, following mass, at 8:23 p.m., by Clayton Ferguson, Board Chair, in the Board Room of the Catholic Education Centre, 46 Alliance Boulevard, Barrie.

2. ROLL CALL

Brian Beal, Director of Education, conducted the Roll Call of the Board of Trustees to establish quorum for the Meeting.

Present: Clayton Ferguson – Board Chair, Jessica Bews, Shawn Cooper, Carol Corriveau-Truchon, Maria Hardie, Catherine MacDonald, Connie Positano, Jeanny Salmon, Francis Smith

Resource: Brian Beal – Director of Education, Steve Charbonneau, Glenn Clarke, Peter Derochie, Jane Dillon-Leitch, Ab Falconi, Diane Legg, Mary Puopolo, Darren Schmidt

Recorder: Belinda Marcellus

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

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

4. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Trustee Carol Corriveau-Truchon advised of potential conflict with Information Report 7. 2) 15-2011, **Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program /Before & After School Program.**

5. PRESENTATIONS

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

1) Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle Presentation

Brenda Jackson, Aboriginal Capacity Builder with the Barrie Area Native Advisory Circle (BANAC) presented the Board with a plaque and medicine wheel in recognition of the Board's support for First Nation, Métis and Inuit initiatives and their partnership with BANAC. As noted by Superintendent Darren Schmidt, Brenda Jackson and BANAC have been a wonderful resource to the Board, working closely with Linda McGregor, Manager of First Nation, Métis and Inuit initiatives, on various projects and workshops.

2) **Plant Summer Projects**

Glenn Clarke, Controller of Plant provided a slide presentation that outlined the summer projects completed at schools throughout the board over the summer. Projects included additions, renovations, energy efficient lighting installations, and painting at various elementary and secondary schools. Of particular note, was recognition of a pilot project in which a roof top garden was installed at St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School. This initiative is a tribute to the Late John Gris , Trustee, who encouraged and supported eco-friendly initiatives and particularly dreamed of a living/green roof project.

6. **ACTION ITEMS**

Nil.

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

1) **Report 7. 1) 15-2011: Plant Summer Projects**

The report summarizes projects that have been completed, and which have begun and will continue into 2012, such as new school construction, further renovations and energy efficiency enhancements.

2) **Report 7. 2) 15-2011: Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program /Before & After School Program**

3) **Report 7. 3) 15-2011: Curriculum Support for New Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Programs**

4) **Report 7. 4) 15-2011: Academic Update**

Further information regarding several of the initiatives noted in the report will be presented in greater detail at future board meetings.

5) **Report 7. 5) 15-2011: Enrolment**

The information provided was preliminary. Confirmed enrolment will generate staffing process changes which may occur in some schools during the second to fourth weeks of September.

8. **ROUTINE**

1) **Approval of Minutes – Board Meetings**

i) **Minutes – Meeting #13 – Tuesday, June 21, 2011**

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

ii) **Minutes – Meeting #14 – Wednesday, August 17, 2011**

Minutes enclosed.

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

9. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES

Information about safe arrival and the possible use of email will be provided at a future meeting.

Students from Patrick Fogarty Catholic Secondary School will be traveling to Kenya in November. The Board is communicating with Free the Children on a regular basis to ensure conditions are acceptable for their journey. The focus of the students' fundraising efforts has been redirected from school supplies to a lunch program which the World Food Bank cancelled in order to direct their aid to famine stricken regions.

10. ITEMS OF INTEREST

Trustee Maria Hardie reported on positive feedback from parents new to a school community and that they were made to feel welcomed.

Trustee Francis Smith expressed appreciation to Diane Legg, Director of Communications, for preparing a story of the history of Catholic education for the 100th anniversary book in Orillia.

Trustee Carol Corriveau-Truchon reported that both Monsignor Michael O'Leary and St. Peter the Apostle Catholic schools received Parents Reaching Out grants, which will be used to produce a calendar celebrating the Catholic values. The calendar will be made available through schools and parishes in both communities. It was noted that this is an excellent opportunity for the two schools to work together.

Trustee Catherine MacDonald suggested posting news from the board in parish bulletins.

Trustee Francis Smith reported that he and Trustee Maria Hardie attended the Archdiocesan Education Mass in Toronto on September 1st.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA)
 - i) June 22, 2011 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator, Communications and Media relations
Post ICE Symposium Work for CDSB Teams
 - ii) June 27, 2011 – Nancy Kirby, President
2011 Fall Regional Meetings
 - iii) June 27, 2011 – Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs
Update – Accessibility Standards
 - iv) July 5, 2011 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator, Communications and Media relations
Premier's Remarks to Pride Gala and OCSTA Messaging re: Student Support
 - v) July 5, 2011 - Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs
Bereavement Notice – John Weir
 - vi) July 6, 2011 - Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs
Results of OCSTA May Survey Regarding Current Status of Full Day Kindergarten and Extended Day Program Implementation
 - vii) August 2, 2011 - Carol Devine, Director, Legislative and Political Affairs

- Copyright questions to be decided by Supreme Court of Canada*
- viii) August 17, 2011 – Nancy Kirby, President
Update – Enhancement for Caring of All Students in the Spirit of the Gospel
 - ix) August 17, 2011 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator, Communications and Media relations
OCSTA Back To School Advertisement
 - x) August 30, 2011 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator, Communications and Media relations
G & M Media Flag – TCDSB E & I Amendments, Catholic School Boards
 - xi) August 30, 2011 – Jane Ponte, Executive Assistant
OCSTA Resolution 10-11 re: Red Flashing Lights on School Buses
- 2) Archdiocese of Toronto
 - i) August 26, 2011 – Neil MacCarthy, Director, PR & Communications
News release: Catholic Community Mourns the Loss of Cardinal Aloisius Ambrozic
 - 3) Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board
 - i) August 31, 2011 – Belinda Marcellus, Coordinator of Trustee Services
Fall OCSTA Events

12. MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday,	September 13, 2011	Discipline Committee	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday,	September 14, 2011	Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL)	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday,	September 14, 2011	Audit Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday,	September 14, 2011	Board Policy Review Committee # 07	7:30 p.m.
Monday,	September 19, 2011	Retirement Celebration for Joan Gallagher Main <i>St. Joseph's Catholic High School</i>	4-7 p.m.
Thursday,	September 22, 2011	to CCSTA – Catholic Education	
Saturday,	September 24, 2011	A National Conversation, <i>Ottawa</i>	
Wednesday,	September 28, 2011	Special Education Advisory Committee	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday,	September 28, 2011	Board Meeting #16	7:30 p.m.
Thursday,	September 29, 2011	Retirement Celebration for Cathy Allen <i>Terrace Room – Innisbrook Golf Club</i>	6-10 p.m.

14. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Nil.

15. NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting #16:	Wednesday, September 28, 2011	7:30p.m.
Agenda Deadline Date:	Wednesday, August 21, 2011	4:30p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to adjourn the Board Meeting at 9:28 p.m.

17. CLOSING PRAYER

The Closing Prayer will be led by Trustee Francis Smith.