

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, February 27, 2007

3:00 p.m.

Minutes

Trustees Present: Chairperson - N. Bethune Vice-Chairperson - D. Slosser
Members - B. Eckensweiler, S. Finnie, F. Gross, J. Vanhaelemeesch

Board Officials: P. Cureton (*Director of Education*); C. Colton (*Superintendent of Business*);
B. MacPherson, (*Superintendent of Education*); P. Morley, (*Programme Principal*) S. White
(*Human Resources Administrator*)

Student Trustees: J. Flear (S.M.H.S.), T. Ellis (S.H.H.S.)

OECTA Reps: Anna Morrison, Bill King

Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

A. 1) The meeting commenced with prayer led by Jules Vanhaelemeesch.

2) **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

07-028 Motion By: *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Bev Eckensweiler* that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on February 27, 2007 be accepted as printed.

Carried

B. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** ~ *None were declared*

C. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

07-029 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Dave Slosser* that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 16, 2007 be approved as printed.

Carried

D. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**

07-030 Motion By: *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Board approve the Staff Report S.W. 2007-02-27 and the recommendations contained therein.

Carried

07-031 Motion By: *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Board does not support a request to the Ministry for approval of a modified school year calendar for 2007-2008.

Carried

E. **DELEGATIONS / SUBMISSIONS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

1. **2006-07 Statement of Capital and Reserves** (*motion*) *Cathy*
- Cathy noted that Sacred Heart High School’s Technology Renovation and Addition was completed in September 2005 and St. Mary’s High School Technology Renovation will be completed in April 2007. As of August 31, 2007, these two projects will be completely funded and the Board will have no unfunded capital.
 - Capital Funding for New Pupil Places and Facility Renewal to be transferred from the Capital Reserves to fund the above projects.

07-032 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Board approve the funding of the technology projects at Sacred Heart High School and St. Mary’s High School using the Capital Funding and/or Capital Reserves for 2006-2007, as presented.

Carried

2. **2007-08 Preliminary Class Size Plan and Enrolment** *Cathy*
- we have collected some preliminary enrolment numbers for next year
 - primary class size plan is based on assumptions of numbers in kindergarten classes
 - our plan for this coming year – we hope to have 93% of our students in primary classes of 23 and under
 - currently, we have 124 classes in total and 56 of these are combined classes; next year we will have a total of 120 classes of which 76 will be combined classes in order to meet the primary class size mandate

3. **Policy/Administrative Procedures Review:** (*motion*) *Patrick SEAC*

07-033 Motion By: *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Francis Gross* that the Board approve the Policy on Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC), as presented.

Carried

Retirement of Staff

- recommending deletion of policy as it is no longer supported by legislation in Ontario

07-034 Motion By: *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemesch* that the Board approve of the deletion of the Policy on Retirement of Staff, as presented.

Carried

Criminal Background Checks for Employees

07-035 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Bev Eckensweiler* that the Board approve the Policy on Criminal Background Checks for Employees, as presented.

Carried

Criminal Background Checks for Service Providers

07-036 **Motion By:** *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Bev Eckensweiler* that the Board approve the Policy on Criminal Background Checks for Service Providers, as presented.
Carried

SALEP

07-037 **Motion By:** *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Dave Slosser* that the Board approve the Policy on Supervised Alternative Learning for Excused Pupils, as presented.
Carried

Home and Hospital Instruction

07-038 **Motion By:** *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemesch* that the Board approve the Policy on Home and Hospital Instruction, as presented.
Carried

Student Representation on the Board

- Jessie suggested a change to Admin Procedure re allowing student trustees to attend meetings in-camera, where appropriate. She also suggested that the AP include a statement about student trustees being allowed to suggest a motion
- Patrick will bring the Admin Procedure back for information purposes

07-039 **Motion By:** *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Francis Gross* that the Board approve the Policy on Student Representation on the Board, as presented.
Carried

4. **Literacy Update** *Bruce*
- Bruce-Grey CDSB hosted a workshop on February 20/21 at the Nottawasaga Inn with Carmel Crevola as the keynote speaker.
 - Bruce noted that Carmel has been working with our board for 3 years and we had one of the most exciting days on Feb. 20th when schools brought assessment teams to this meeting
 - Carmel mentioned there is some very exciting things happening in Ontario but Bruce-Grey has the most exciting things happening. Kudos to B-G !!
 - Bruce commended Patricia for the amazing job she did organizing the event along with the Board Assessment team who also did a great job
 - Bruce then introduced Melisa Strimas who is our Vice-Principal of Program and has been working closely with the Assessment team. He said Melisa has been doing a tremendous job – principals and school teams are certainly looking for her guidance
 - Melisa’s presentation showed what teachers look for and how the assessments are designed to help the students move ahead. The framework is based on Triple P - Personalization, Precision and Professional Learning. She highlighted some of the key factors in the assessment plan and noted that we are in the middle of the cycle as a team/board
 - Melisa’s enthusiasm for the program is very obvious and evident.

F. INFORMATION and REPORTS

-Committee Reports

-For Information Only

1. **Correspondence from OCSTA:**
 - History of Catholic Education – Resolution # 13-06
 - 2007 OCSTA/OCSBOA Finance Seminar
2. **Miscellaneous Correspondence:**
 - Ontario Conference of Catholic Bishops – *Fully Alive program*
 - Hydro One SmartPak Energy Education Program
 - Thank You to Radio Stations and Bus Operators
3. **Internal Reports/Miscellaneous:**
 - Expression of Sympathy ~ Ann-Marie Deas & family

H. **NOTICES OF MOTION**

I. **CHAIR's REMARKS**

- trustees were asked to review the Committee Preferences and to let Norm know if any changes are required
- District School Council Meeting - tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. - trustees are invited

J. **FUTURE BUSINESS**

Next Meeting: **March 20, 2007**
~ Committee of the Whole @ 1:30 p.m., Regular Board Meeting @ 3:00 p.m.

K. **ADJOURNMENT**

<p>07-040 Motion By: <i>Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Franics Gross</i> that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at <u>4:43</u> p.m.</p>
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Carried

Norm Bethune
Chairperson of the Board

Patrick Cureton
Director of Education and Secretary