

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, March 23, 2004

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Trustees Present: Chairperson - N. Bethune Vice-Chairperson - W. Goetz
Members - S. Finnie, D. Slosser, T. Roote, J. Vanhaelemeesch
Regrets: F. Gross
Board Officials: P. Cureton, C. Colton, B. MacPherson, P. Morley
Student Trustees: U. Byrne, S. Goetz
Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

- A. 1) The meeting commenced with prayer led by Bill Goetz.
2) Adoption of the Agenda

04-042 Motion By: *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on March 23, 2004 be accepted as printed.

Carried

- 3) **Conflict of Interest** ~ *None were declared*

B. Approval of Minutes

04-043 Motion By: *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 24, 2004 be approved as printed.

Carried

C. Committee of the Whole Report

04-044 Motion By: *Bill Goetz* and seconded by *Dave Slosser* that the Board approve the Staff Report P.C. 2004-03-23 and the recommendations contained therein.

Carried

D. DELEGATIONS / SUBMISSIONS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. **Bayshore Broadcasting Presentation** (Rob Brignell & Ross Kentner) *Patrick Cureton*
• Ross Kentner, General Manager of Bayshore Broadcasting Corporation announced that

the company has filed an application with the CRTTC to build a new radio station, CFPS FM in the Town of Saugeen Shores

- Ross and Rob thanked the Board for allowing them the opportunity to provide some background for the proposal
- CFPS FM, if approved by the Commission, would be located at Bayshore’s current office in the Port Elgin Shopping Mall. The plan also calls for office facilities in Kincardine that would include a News Bureau, Sales Office and technical facilities that would allow for local program origination from Kincardine.
- committed to be up and running within 9 months if application is approved

Notice of Motion by Norm Bethune

That the Board consider supporting the Bayshore Broadcasting proposal as presented by Ross Kentner and Rob Brignell.

2. **Clean Water Festival** (Clive Card) *Patrick Cureton*

- Norm thanked Clive, the Principal of the Institute for Outdoor Studies in Bluewater DSB, for warmly receiving our staff and students over the past few years at the Outdoor Education Centre in Wiarton
- Patrick mentioned that the Clean Water Festival has been very successful and is heading into its 4th year. We have targeted our Grade 4’s to participate and are receiving more favourable responses each year
- Clive mentioned that the name is going to change to the Grey Bruce Children’s Festival
- the main objective of the festival is to make kids more aware of the environment and particularly our water that surrounds us
- Clive stated that the kids are very enthusiastic and enjoy the experience immensely – they are just as intent at the end of the day as at the beginning
- Clive also mentioned that last fall kids were invited to enter the first ever Art Contest. The Art was to demonstrate awareness and importance of conservation
- Jessica Bolden, a Grade 6 student at Mother Teresa School, claimed the prize with her poster and slogan “Turn off the TV and Explore your Backyard”. Congratulations Jessica!
- Jessica’s poster will be displayed at the Outdoor Education Centre

3. **School Year Calendar** (*motion*) *Bruce MacPherson*

- Bruce shared the highlights and key dates of the 2004-2005 school year calendar

<p>04-045 <i>Motion By:</i> Sam Finnie and seconded by Dave Slosser that the Board approve the School Year Calendar for the year 2004-2005 as recommended by the Bi-Board School Year Calendar Committee.</p>
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Carried

4. **Unlocking the Future - Teaching Students with PDD/ASD** *Bruce MacPherson*

- Bruce presented an invitation bulletin that has been forwarded electronically to all boards within the Barrie District to attend a conference on June 3 and 4 which will focus on the nature of PDD and Autism Spectrum Disorders. Our Board is hosting the conference at the Talisman Mountain Resort in Kimberley.
- Bruce was pleased to report that the keynote speaker will be an expert on Autism, Dr. Michael Powers, Paediatric Psychologist and Director for the Center for Children with Special Needsbest
- Bill Martell is constructing a website that boards will be able to access to download information about the Forum

5. **Policy on Co-operative Education Programmes** *Patrick Cureton*
- Patrick recommended an amendment to the Policy under item #3 which will allow high schools to offer co-op programs with a credit value of 1 to 5

<p>04-046 Motion By: <i>Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelemesch</i> that the Board approve the revisions to the Policy on Co-operative Education Programmes, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>
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6. **Cheque Register, February 2004 (motion)** *Cathy Colton*

<p>04-047 <i>Motion By: Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelmeesch</i> that the Cheque Register to February 29, 2004 be approved as printed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

7. **Manager of Human Resources - Press Release** *Patrick Cureton*

- Patrick was pleased to announce that Suzanne White, current director of HR Staff at the Hanover Hospital, has accepted the position of Manager of Human Resources and will join our Senior Administrative Team on April 27
- we were delighted that Suzanne could join us this afternoon
- Suzanne mentioned that it is a pleasure to be here today and she looks forward to the end of April when she will be working with the school board and joining a new team

E. INFORMATION and REPORTS

–For Information Only:

1. **Miscellaneous Correspondence:**

- Durham District School Board ~ Utility Cost Pressures
- Waterloo Catholic DSB ~ requesting relief from the portion of GST they now pay
- Kunkel Bus Lines ~ Safety of Children walking on Cemetery Road in Walkerton

2. **Internal Reports:**

- Excursion Requests ~ February 1 to February 29, 2004
- Minutes of Joint Health & Safety Committee Meeting ~ February 24, 2004
- News From Our Schools ~ March 2004

3. **Letters of Appreciation / Thank You Notes:**

- Scholarships/Bursaries ~ *Carla Schmidt*

F. QUESTIONS / COMMENTS by TRUSTEES

- Bill mentioned that last Friday he toured the addition at St. Mary's High School and was pleased to report that the project is well under way.

G. NOTICES OF MOTION

H. CHAIR's REMARKS

- Norm reminded everyone of the Retreat at Talisman which will commence at 9:30 on Thursday morning. He is hoping it will be a tremendous success.

I. **FUTURE BUSINESS**

Next Meeting: **April 6, 2004**

~ Committee of the Whole @ 2:30 p.m.

April 20, 2004

~ Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

J. **ADJOURNMENT**

04-048 Motion By: *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Carried

Norm Bethune
Chairperson of the Board

Patrick Cureton
Director of Education and Secretary