

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, April 10, 2001

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Trustees Present: Chairperson - W. Goetz Vice-Chairperson - N. Bethune
Members - M. Lemme, D. Slosser, J. Vanhaelemesch, C. Zettel
Board Officials: V. Batte, C. Colton, J. Contois, P. Cureton, J. Sheppard
Student Trustees: M. Weber, S. Varsava
Regrets: B. Herney
Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

- A. 1) The Board was led in prayer by Mike Lemme.
2) Adoption of the Agenda

Additions:

- i) SEAC Advisory Cte Meeting Minutes

01-162 Motion By: *Mike Lemme* and seconded by *Norm Bethune* that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on April 10, 2001 be accepted as printed.

Carried

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

B. Approval of Minutes

01-163 Motion By: *Christine Zettel* and seconded by *Dave Slosser* that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 20, 2001 be approved as printed.

Carried

C. Committee of the Whole Report

01-164 Motion By: *Mike Lemme* and seconded by *Dave Slosser* that the Board approve the Staff Report J.S. 2001-04-10 and the recommendations contained therein.

Carried

01-165 Motion By: *Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Christine Zettel* that the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board pay up to \$500 of the cost of any approved Masters/Doctoral level course in Religious Education or Theology.

Carried

01-166 *Motion By: Dave Slosser* and seconded by *Michael Lemme* that the Board refer the Robbins Report to the Safe Schools Committee, who in conjunction with the Human Resources Department, will review and update the current policy on Sexual Harassment.

Carried

D. DELEGATIONS / SUBMISSIONS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. EQAO Board and School Results and Improvement Plans

Jane Contois referred to and highlighted some of the aspects of the 2000 Grade Three and Grade Six Board and School Assessment Reports and Improvement Plans that were sent to EQAO on behalf of the Board.

Although slightly lower than the provincial averages, the Grade 3 assessment results show the greatest increases in reading and mathematics relative to last year's results.

The Grade 6 assessment results, which are all above the provincial averages, show the greatest increase in mathematics of 2%.

Next month is EQAO testing month for all students in grade 3 and grade 6.

2. Learning Resources Initiative, Grade 11

Pat Cureton advised that the government is funding \$15,000,000 to school boards to fund the purchase of textbooks to support the new curriculum. The allocation for Bruce-Grey Catholic DSB is \$24,206 for English, Math and Science texts for grade 11 students at St. Mary's High School and Sacred Heart High School. This is about half the amount we received last year to purchase grade 10 textbooks.

3. Guidelines for the Treatment and Testing of Water for Schools

Cathy Colton presented the Ministry of Environment's preliminary Guidelines for the Treatment and Testing of Water for Schools. Groundwater is used by two of our schools, Mary Immaculate and Immaculate Conception School. The Board will be using the Ultraviolet (UV) irradiation for disinfection at these two facilities.

4. Resolutions to be considered at the 2001 AGM

In addition to the information distributed at the last meeting, we have received more resolutions to be considered at the AGM in Cornwall later this month. Vern summarized the 68 resolutions and asked the Trustees to review his summary prior to the Conference.

5. Draft Board Policy ~ School Councils, Regulation 612

Vern referred to last week's meeting with the District School Council at which time each school brought a copy of their constitution and worked on paralleling it to items in Regulation 612/00 and 613/00. The Board's draft Policy on Catholic School Councils was presented at that meeting. The School Councils have been asked to review the policy and provide feedback by the end of May. We are hoping to implement the policy by September 2001.

6. Out-of-Area Request

The Board has received a request for Rachel Douma to attend Holy Family School, although the family resides in the catchment area for St. Peter's & Paul's School. The parents both work in Hanover, attend Holy Family Church and have a babysitter from the town. Since there is no additional cost to the Board, and a bus travels passed their residence, the Board

agreed to the request.

01-167 *Motion By: Michael Lemme* and seconded by *Christine Zettel* that the Board approve the Out-of-Area Request for Rachel Douma to attend Holy Family School, commencing September 2001, subject to an annual review.

Carried

7. **Cheque Register, March 2001**

01-168 *Motion By: Norm Bethune* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Cheque Register to March 31, 2001 be approved as printed.

Carried

D. INFORMATION and REPORTS

–For Information Only:

1. Correspondence from Ministry of Education
 - 1999-00 Financial Statements Preliminary Review
 - Teacher Graduates to be Tested
2. Correspondence from OCSTA
 - Supreme Court of Canada Judgement on Bill 160 Appeal
 - Elections 2001 AGM
3. Correspondence from Ministry of Health
 - \$10,000 for Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program for Youth
4. Announcement from the Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos
RE: Clergy Retirements and Transfers
5. Correspondence re Permission for K of C Plaques in Schools
6. Letters/Notes of Appreciation
 - Cathy Kelly re Ski Program
 - Brulotte Family
 - Bross Family
7. Excursion, Field Trips, Outdoor Education Trips
RE: February 28 to March 30, 2001
8. Upcoming Events:
 - Recognition Event:**
 - May 29 at Stone Tree in Owen Sound
 - Dinner & Celebrations starting at approx. 5:30 p.m.
 - Trustees and spouses invited
 - no cost
 - Golf Tournament:**
 - June 9 at Chippewa in Southampton

- Golfing at 2:30 and dinner at 5:30 approx.
- \$35 for golf and dinner; \$20 for dinner only — tickets available end of April

9. Update re Out-of-Area Request
Correspondence to Colleen & Gerry Stegmaier

Addition:

- i) SEAC Advisory Cte Meeting Minutes
RE: March 27, 2001

E. FUTURE BUSINESS

Next Committee of the Whole Meeting at 2:30 p.m.
Next Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, **April 24**, 2001

BiBoard Meeting
Thursday, April 12, 2001
1:30 p.m. in Chesley

F. ADJOURNMENT

01-169 Motion By: *Norm Bethune* and seconded by *Mike Lemme* that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Carried

William Goetz
Chairperson of the Board

Vern Batte
Director of Education and Secretary