

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

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

Student Trustees: K. Young (S.H.H.S)

Regrets: J. Casey (*Superintendent of Education*), B. Schrempf (student trustee)

OECTA Rep: Bill King, Anna Morrison

Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

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

2) **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Additions/Deletions:

#1 is moved to 4:15 p.m.

#5 is omitted

Section F: add Science Fair Update (*Bruce*)

08-074 Motion By: <i>Francis Gross</i> and seconded by <i>Bev Eckensweiler</i> that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on May 20, 2008 be accepted as amended. <i>Carried</i>
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B. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** ~ *None were declared*

C. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

08-075 Motion By: <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> and seconded by <i>Dave Slosser</i> that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on April 22, 2008 be approved as printed. <i>Carried</i>
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D. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**

08-076 Motion By: <i>Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Sam Finnie</i> that the Board approve the Staff Report S.W. 2008-05-20 and the recommendations contained therein. <i>Carried</i>
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08-077 Motion By: <i>Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Francis Gross</i> that the Board move the August Board Meeting to August 26 th , 2008. <i>Carried</i>
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08-078	Motion By: <i>Dave Slosser</i> and seconded by <i>Sam Finnie</i> that the Board proceed with the site plan and building permit application for the addition at St. Mary's High School, as presented.	<i>Carried</i>
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E. **DELEGATIONS / SUBMISSIONS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

1. **Aboriginal Education Partnership** (*Steve Peck*) *Cathy M.*
 - at a recent meeting of the Aboriginal Advisory Committee, Gayle Mason Stark shared a number of positive programs on the reserve and in our schools
 - Steve Peck volunteered to do the Lighthouse Program which looks at ways and challenges that some of our Aboriginal youth face in their credit courses
 - the project is for students that are significantly behind in credit accumulation - there were 3 students in Grade 10 that had no credits
 - the program runs from January 14th to June 25th and is offered at the Employment and Training Centre, Saugeen First Nation
 - started with 20 students, now there are 17 – 4 from St. Mary's and 16 from other jurisdictions – these students have earned a total of 23.5 credits thus far
 - Steve made the following Recommendations: look at ways to promote student attendance; PD for teachers on appropriate teaching strategies for Aboriginal students
 - look for ways to engage students that do not fit the regular structure of high school - more hands on activities

2. **Provincial Championship Award** (*Sarah Newell*) *Bruce*
 - Chairperson Norm commented that we always welcome the opportunity to showcase our students and their strengths and accomplishments
 - Bruce congratulated Sarah on winning the Provincial Championship Award and thanked her for presenting her speech
 - Sarah has been public speaking since grade 10 - it wasn't her thing in elementary school
 - Dr. Ferry encouraged students to choose topics that they are passionate about – in Grade 10, Sarah spoke on OSAID and the next two years she spoke about Africa.
 - Sarah did a great job and what a powerful message she presented – Congratulations Sarah!

3. **Capital Plan - Fifteen year enrolment projections** (*Motion*) *Cathy C.*
 - Cathy presented the 15 year enrolment projection
 - what do we need to do Capital wise? We have 2 elementary schools that are at 100% capacity - Durham and Formosa
 - 5 schools at 80-100% - Hanover, Mildmay, St. Basil's, Notre Dame and Mother Teresa
 - 4 schools in 50-80% range - Chepstow, Kincardine, Port Elgin, Teeswater - space is being used through partnerships
 - Capital plan for the future –
 - St. Mary's - addition to replace Prohibitive to Repair (PTR) section; decision pending re demolition of PTR section; athletic facility/field (not scheduled)
 - Durham - replace deteriorating Syporex roof; replace portables with 3 classrooms, hallways and storage
 - Formosa - replace portapac (not scheduled)
 - Port Elgin- portapac replacement (not scheduled)

08-079	Motion By: <i>Francis Gross</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> that the Board approve the report and capital plan as presented and that no school or family of schools be recommended for further study at this time.	<i>Carried</i>
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4. **Catholic Character Formation** *Bruce*
 - we have a poster on display in our elementary schools and were seeking permission to use

- a different poster in our secondary schools
- we have received permission to use “Lost and Found” which will be posted at SMHS and SHHS

5. **Student Success Update** (deferred) *Jerry*
6. **Student Trustee Report - SMHS** (deferred) *Bridget Schrempf*
7. **Student Trustee Report - SHHS** *Kelsey Young*
 - new president for 2008-09 is Natasha Ruetz and new trustee is Jordan Hadwen
 - interim marks will be released this week
 - dance on June 6th
 - Cops for Cancer – 11 students have volunteered for the shave-off next week
 - planning the last school Mass and Assembly
 - yearbooks will be distributed on June 11
 - SHHS is hosting CWOSSA on May 27

F. INFORMATION and REPORTS

–Committee Reports

–For Information Only

1. Club France 2008 Trip *Bruce*
2. Ontario’s English-Language Students Tops in Canada *Cathy M.*
3. **Miscellaneous Correspondence:**
 - Memo re Diocesan Celebration (Sept 18, 2008 in Waterloo) *Bruce*
4. **Internal Correspondence / Reports:**
 - Excursion Report, April 2008
 - Minutes of Joint Health and Safety Committee Meeting - April 16, 2008

G. QUESTIONS / COMMENTS by TRUSTEE

H. NOTICES OF MOTION

I. CHAIR’s REMARKS

J. FUTURE BUSINESS

Next Meeting: June 17, 2008
 ~ Committee of the Whole @ 1:30 and
 Regular Board Meeting @ 3:00 p.m.

K. ADJOURNMENT

08-080 Motion By: *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Francis Gross* that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 5:08 p.m.
Carried

Norm Bethune
 Chairperson of the Board

Bruce MacPherson
 Director of Education and Secretary