

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 17, 2006

7:30 p.m.

Minutes

Trustees Present: Chairperson - N. Bethune Vice-Chairperson - *absent*
Members - S. Finnie, F. Gross, D. Slosser, J. Vanhaelemesch

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: T. Ellis (S.H.H.S.)

Regrets: W. Goetz (Vice-Chairperson), D. Slosser (Trustee), J. Flear (Student Trustee)

Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

A. 1) The meeting commenced with prayer led by Sam Finnie.

2) **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

06-170 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on October 17, 2006 be accepted as printed.

Carried

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

C. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

06-171 Motion By: *Jules Vanhaelemesch* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 26, 2006 be approved as printed.

Carried

D. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**

06-172 Motion By: *Norm Bethune* and seconded by *Francis Gross* that the Board approve the Staff Report S.W. 2006-10-17 and the recommendations contained therein.

Carried

06-173 Motion By: *Norm Bethune* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Trustees accept the recommendations of the Citizens' Advisory Committee with respect to Trustee Honoraria, as presented.

Carried

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

1. Operation Respect (*Ann-Marie Deas*) *Bruce*
 - Bruce shared a pamphlet which described some activities that are taking place during Safe Schools Month
 - Bruce welcomed Ann-Marie and commented on the number of programs she has been involved with: WRAP, working with our Child and Youth Workers, GIFT and Peaceful Playgrounds, to name a few
 - last spring Ann-Marie volunteered to assist with another program, Operation Respect. She attended a training program during the summer and has just hosted a 2-day inservice for staff members. Ann-Marie received a very positive response from the participants
 - Ann-Marie noted that the WRAP team has been using the “Don’t Laugh at Me” program for a number of years. It is the kick-off for “Operation Respect” which was launched in the year 2000
 - the new program fits in nicely with what we do as Catholic educators; the Fully Alive program teaches the faith and the ground work and this program teaches the action
 - we came upon this program while going through our Anti-Bullying resources and decided a good time to implement the program was during Safe Schools Month
 - resources are free and have been provided to all our elementary schools
 - we are looking to develop responsible citizens who will be involved in their community
 - Ann-Marie has volunteered to assist with the implementation of Operation Respect and stated this is a program we hope will just grow and grow

2. Cheque Register, September 2006 (*motion*) *Cathy*

<p>06-174 Motion By: <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> and seconded by <i>Francis Gross</i> that the Cheque Register to September 30, 2006 be approved as printed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

3. Good Places to Learn, Stage 1 - Financing Agreement (*motion*) *Cathy*
 - the Ministry identified \$285 M in projects to make our schools better places to learn
 - BGCDSB has completed projects worth \$910,700
 - the Board has requested, and the Ontario Financing Authority has agreed, to lend the principal amount of \$910,700 to the Board for the purpose of financing the Projects on a long-term basis by repaying the temporary borrowing or repaying the reserve amount, as applicable
 - Cathy and Patrick read aloud By-Law Number 2006-01 under section 12 of Ontario Regulation 466/97
 - Trustees voted (unanimously) to agree with the By-Law

4. Policy/Administrative Procedures Review: (*motion*) *Patrick*
 - Professional Exchange/Leave Programs

<p>06-175 Motion By: <i>Francis Gross</i> and seconded by <i>Sam Finnie</i> that the Board approve the Policy on Professional Exchange/Leave Programs, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

- Conduct of Business for Board Meetings

<p>06-176 Motion By: <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> and seconded by <i>Francis Gross</i> that the Board approve the Policy on Conduct of Business for Board Meetings, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

- WHMIS Training Program

06-177 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Board approve the Policy on Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System Training Program, as presented.

Carried

- Healthy Workplace

06-178 Motion By: *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Board approve the Policy on Healthy Workplace, as presented.

Carried

- Trustee Honorarium
- Patrick asked for a motion to approve this policy which follows regulations in the Education Act, 2004

06-179 Motion By: *Francis Gross* and seconded by *Sam Finnie* that the Board approve the Policy on Trustee Honorarium, as presented.

Carried

5. OCSTA Membership Fees 2006-2007

- membership fees for this year have been established at \$18,969

06-180 Motion By: *Sam Finnie* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Board approve payment of the OCSTA Membership Fees for 2006-2007.

Carried

F. INFORMATION and REPORTS

-Committee Reports

Wellness Committee Update *Norm*

- Paulette Lippert, secondary school rep, replaces Bill King on the committee
- Norm reviewed topics that were discussed at the last meeting held on Sept. 21 including revisions to the Vision statement, Policy on Healthy Workplace, information from the Health Unit regarding bike trails, staff recognition and ways to improve communication
- Health Nurse Betty Perkins has been invited to attend next meeting
- Charlotte has planned a retreat for December 6 with Fr. Mike Francis and would like to host a nature retreat in the spring
- next meeting will be held on Oct 30th

-For Information Only

1. **Correspondence from OCSTA:**

- OCSTA letter to Minister Wynne re Transportation Consortia
- Calculation of Funding of the Actual Cost of Salaries – 2006/07
- School boards run education system: letter from Bernard Murray published as an opinion piece in the Toronto Star, October 7, 2006

2. **Correspondence from Ministry:**

- Recipients of the Queen Elizabeth II Aiming for the Top Scholarship

3. **Miscellaneous Correspondence:**

- Approval from Bishop Tonnos for Religious Education Part I
- Letter from City of Owen Sound acknowledging Board's correspondence
- Letter from Knights of Columbus recognizing the efforts of Joanne Eames and Erin Sadler

4. **Internal Reports/Miscellaneous:**

- Excursion, Field Trips, Outdoor Education Trips – September 1-30, 2006
- Thank you Note ~ Dave Johnson, SHHS – re upgrading computer labs
- Scholarships/Bursaries ~ *Jared Clancy, Carly Schaus, Mark Schnurr, Renata Vyhnał*
- Expression of Sympathy ~ *Irene Devlin & family, Agnes MacNay & family*

G. QUESTIONS / COMMENTS by TRUSTEES

H. NOTICES OF MOTION

I. CHAIR's REMARKS

- Bi-Board meeting is Wed., October 25 at 1:30 p.m.
- SEAC meeting tomorrow at Notre Dame, 1:30 p.m.

J. FUTURE BUSINESS

Next Meeting: **November 14, 2006**

~ Committee of the Whole Meeting

November 28, 2006

~ Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

K. ADJOURNMENT

06-181 *Motion By: Francis Gross* and seconded by *Jules Vanhaelemeesch* that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Carried

Norm Bethune
Chairperson of the Board

Patrick Cureton
Director of Education and Secretary