

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 26, 2002

4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Trustees Present: Chairperson - W. Goetz Vice-Chairperson - N. Bethune
Members - M. Lemme, J. Vanhaelemeesch, C. Zettel
Board Officials: P. Cureton, C. Colton, B. MacPherson, J. Sheppard
Regrets: D. Slosser
Absent: B. Herney
Recording Secretary: A. Dietz

- A. 1) The Board was led in prayer by Christine Zettel.

Bill Goetz welcomed the two new student representatives, Chéla Breckon (representing St. Mary's High School) and Steven Goetz (representing Sacred Heart High School).

- 2) Adoption of the Agenda

<p>02-205 <i>Motion By:</i> Mike Lemme and seconded by Norm Bethune that the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on November 26, 2002 be accepted as printed. <i>Carried</i></p>
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- 3) **Conflict of Interest** ~ Christine Zettel declared a conflict re Staff Report

B. Approval of Minutes

<p>02-206 <i>Motion By:</i> Norm Bethune and seconded by Jules Vanhaelemeesch that the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 29, 2002 be approved as printed. <i>Carried</i></p>
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C. Committee of the Whole Report

<p>02-207 <i>Motion By:</i> Christine Zettel and seconded by Mike Lemme that the Board approve the Staff Report J.S. 2002-11-12 and the recommendations contained therein. <i>Carried</i></p>
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<p>02-208 <i>Motion By:</i> Christine Zettel and seconded by Mike Lemme that the Board approve the recommendation by Cathy Colton with regards to Charter Rates. <i>Carried</i></p>
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02-209 *Motion By:* Norm Bethune and seconded by Mike Lemme that the Board acknowledge the letter addressed to Kevin Juffs regarding a transportation request. *Carried*

02-210 *Motion By:* Mike Lemme and seconded by Jules Vanhaelemeesch that the Board approve the Staff Report J.S. 2002-11-26 and the recommendations contained therein. *Carried*

D. DELEGATIONS / SUBMISSIONS / EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 1. i) **Election of Chairperson** *Patrick Cureton*
- ii) Motion to Appoint Scrutineer
- iii) Motion to Destroy Ballots

Patrick mentioned that the tenure of office for chair shall be a maximum of three continuous years. After stepping down for a period of one year, the individual may again seek the position. Bill Goetz has held the position of Chair for two consecutive terms. Nominations are conducted by secret ballot.

02-211 *Motion By:* Christine Zettel and seconded by Mike Lemme to appoint Bruce MacPherson and Cathy Colton to act as scrutineers for the election. *Carried*

Cathy announced the list of Nominees: Jules Vanhaelemeesch, Christine Zettel and Bill Goetz. Jules did not wish to leave his name stand; Christine and Bill did allow their names to stand.

Patrick announced that the votes have been tallied and the Chairperson for the upcoming year is Bill Goetz.

Bill thanked the trustees for asking him to be the chair. His inaugural address will be delivered at the December meeting.

02-212 *Motion By:* Jules Vanhaelemeesch and seconded by Norm Bethune that the Ballots for Chairperson be destroyed. *Carried*

- 2. i) **Election of Vice-Chairperson** *New Chairperson*
- ii) Motion to Appoint Scrutineer
- iii) Motion to Destroy Ballots

<p>02-213 <i>Motion By:</i> Mike Lemme and seconded by Norm Bethune to appoint Bruce MacPherson and Cathy Colton to act as scrutineers for the election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>
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Bruce announced the list of nominees: Jules Vanhaelemeesch and Norm Bethune.

Jules did not wish to leave his name stand; Norm Bethune was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chair.

Norm thanked the trustees for the opportunity to act on the their behalf.

<p>02-214 <i>Motion By:</i> Mike Lemme and seconded by Jules Vanhaelemeesch that the Ballots for Vice-Chair be destroyed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

3. **Installation, declaration and oath for Student Representatives** *Patrick Cureton*
 Patrick introduced Chéla Breckon (SMHS) and Steven Goetz (SHHS). Both students are very active in their school community, have participated on many committees and have a positive influence on the students they represent.

Patrick delivered the Oath of Allegience to the student representatives.

4. **Robotics Presentation** *Patrick Cureton*
 Patrick introduced Kath Saxton, teacher at Mary Immaculate, Chepstow and Inez Durrer, teacher at Holy Family School, who have been instrumental in promoting the Robotics program in our system. Patrick mentioned that Kath and Donna Roppel were our lead teachers and Inez came on board last year. This is the 3rd year we have partnered with the Education Network of Ontario.

Bruce-Grey is one of ten original boards to take part in the Lego Robotics; now some 40 boards in Ontario participate in it.

Kath mentioned that each year schools are invited to participate in a challenge that is held at St. Joseph’s School. The teams also participate in the Skills Canada Competition in Kitchener.

Inez presented a Robotics slide show, using pictures from the digital camera, that her students had prepared. The kids enjoyed making their first ever slide presentation.

Inez and Kath demonstrated some of the Robotics models the students had created. They mentioned that special needs students and students who struggle in school are excited about this type of hands-on approach.

Bill thanked Kath and Inez for their time and interesting presentation.

Patrick commended them for their great enthusiasm for the program. Hopefully the program will be extended to more schools within our system.

5. **Revised Estimates** *Cathy Colton*
 Cathy referred to the ministry requirement that boards are required to submit their revised estimates by mid December. The budget was approved in June and now, using October enrolment numbers, we come up with revised estimates.

Cathy outlined the highlights which include an additional \$60,000 for secondary learning resources, \$26,800 for 2003 scholarships/bursaries, \$50,000 for electricity, \$50,000 for plant maintenance projects and \$20,000 for the replacement of the courier van.

Cathy provided three recommendations:

- that a committee be formed to plan for the St. Mary's Chapel and the possibility of construction in the summer 2003 being explored;
- that a committee be formed to plan for the final upgrades to St. Joseph's School playground with the possibility of completion by August 2003 being explored;
- that the 2002-03 Revised Estimates be approved as presented with any final adjustments in Reserve Funds to be approved in the 2002-03 Financial Statements.

<p>02-215 <i>Motion By: Mike Lemme</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> that the Board approve the Revised Estimates, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>
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6. **Insurance Renewal** *Cathy Colton*
Cathy provided a brief review of the board's general insurance portfolio coverage for 2003. The premium is decreased by 1.8% from last year. The Board's claim experience is largely responsible for the reduction in premiums for 2003.

<p>02-216 <i>Motion By: Mike Lemme</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelemeesch</i> that the Board approve the 2003 Insurance Renewal, as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

7. **Cheque Register** *Cathy Colton*

<p>02-217 <i>Motion By: Norm Bethune</i> and seconded by <i>Mike Lemme</i> that the Cheque Register to October 31, 2002 be approved as printed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>

E. INFORMATION and REPORTS

–For Information Only:

1. **Ministry of Education Correspondence:**
 - \$1.95 million to support the development/acquisition of French-language learning resources
 - Pilot Project for Students with Developmental Disabilities Reaching Age 21
2. **O.C.S.T.A. Correspondence:**
 - Catholic Education Week 2003
 - Ontario Disabilities Act – Annual Accessibility Plans
3. **Correspondence from the Bishop of Hamilton:**
 - Approval to offer Religious Education Courses, Part I and III
4. **Correspondence/Reports re Bruce-Grey CDSB:**
 - Request to attend Holy Family School and follow-up correspondence from Director
 - News from Our Schools
 - Grey Bruce Clean Water Festival
 - Roots of Bruce Project

5. **Correspondence from Other School Boards:**
 - Huron-Perth CDSB - Grade 10 literacy test - requesting the Ministry to re-visit testing policies to better meet the needs of all students
 - Near North DSB - Grade 10 literacy test - “at-risk students”

6. **Miscellaneous Correspondence/Reports:**
 - Statistics Canada - 2002 Youth Smoking Survey
 - Ontario Assoc. Of Parents in Catholic Education
 - Classrooms That Work

7. **Thank You Notes:**
 - Ontario College of Teachers – for hosting Professional Learning Program Outreach tour
 - Alia Hanif - Oliver Goll Scholarship

F. NOTICES OF MOTION

G. CHAIR’s REMARKS

Bill reminded everyone of the Annual Christmas Dinner and Dance on December 6th at the Walkerton Knights of Columbus Hall.

H. FUTURE BUSINESS

I. ADJOURNMENT

<p>02-218 Motion By: <i>Norm Bethune</i> and seconded by <i>Jules Vanhaelemesch</i> that the Regular Board Meeting be adjourned at 5:26 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>
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William Goetz
Chairperson of the Board

Patrick Cureton
Director of Education and Secretary