



1325 California Avenue
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CHAIRPERSON: Fred Alexander
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Joseph Berthiaume

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.
Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre
John Paul II Boardroom

MINUTES

PRESENT

Trustees:

F. Alexander, Chair	P. Keane
J. Courtney	J. Macri
M. DiMenna, Vice-Chair	S. Porcellini
B. Holland	L. Soulliere
C. Janisse	
N. Timperio, Student Trustee	
J. Wolinski, Student Trustee	
Rev. L. Brunet, Board Chaplain	

Regrets:

Administration:

J. Berthiaume (Resource)	J. Bumbacco
C. Geml	E. Byrne
M. Iatonna	P. Littlejohns
P. Picard	P. Murray
L. Staudt	S. O'Hagan-Wong
J. Braido	J. Shea

Recorder: B. Marshall

1. Call To Order - Chair Alexander called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.
2. Opening Prayer - Fr. Brunet opened the meeting with a prayer.
3. Recording of Attendance - All trustees present.
4. Approval of Agenda

Addition: Agenda item 7c Presentation: St. Joseph Catholic Secondary School newly launched book "Voices of our Veterans"

Moved by Trustee DiMenna and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the May 11, 2010 Regular Board meeting agenda be approved as amended. Carried

5. Questions Pertaining to Agenda: None

6. Disclosure of Interest - Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act: None

7. Presentations:

a. Presentation: St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School Choir

Students from the St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School choir and music teacher, Paul Van Heugten, performed their Kiwanis Music Festival award winning songs to trustees.

b. Principal's Report on Student Achievement - St. Anne Catholic Secondary School

Principal Jim Minello and Vice Principals Brendan Roberts and Marisa Lipari were present to provide an overview of the strategies and initiatives in place at St. Anne Catholic Secondary School to support faith development and student achievement.

c. Presentation: St. Joseph Catholic Secondary School newly launched book "Voices of our Veterans."

Chair Alexander presented Director Berthiaume the St. Joseph Catholic Secondary School book "Voices of our Veterans." Through provincial and federal grants, the St. Joseph students interviewed Veterans from the Windsor-Essex County area who represented the five theatres of war in all divisions of the Canadian Military. The students also painted their portraits and created DVD's highlighting their stories.

8. Delegations:

a. Delegation Regarding Items Not on the Agenda: None

b. Delegations Regarding Items On the Agenda: None

9. Action Items:

a. Approval of Minutes

i) Minutes of In-Camera Meeting, April 27, 2010

Moved by Trustee Holland and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera meeting of April 27, 2010 be adopted as distributed. Carried

ii) Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, April 27, 2010

Moved by Trustee Keane and seconded by Trustee DiMenna that the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 27, 2010 be adopted as distributed. Carried

b. Items from the In-Camera Meeting of May 11, 2010

Vice Chair DiMenna reported that the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board convened a closed Committee of the Whole Board meeting on May 11, 2010 pursuant to the Education Act - Section 207, to consider specific personnel, real property matters, labour relations matters, and

other matters permitted or required to be kept private and confidential under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Moved by Trustee DiMenna and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the recommendations and directions of the Committee of the Whole Board at its in-camera meeting of May 11, 2010 be approved. Carried

Vice Chair DiMenna made the following announcements:

from the May 11, 2010 Committee of the Whole Board in-camera meeting

- receipt of the Administrative Staff Report on hiring, leave of absence, return from leave of absence, retirement and resignation of staff, dated May 11, 2010.

10. Communications:
- a. External (Associations, OCSTA, Ministry): None
 - b. Internal (Reports from Administration):
 - i) Report: Administrative Staff Report

Moved by Trustee DiMenna and seconded by Trustee Janisse that the Board receive the Administrative Staff Report on hiring, retirement and resignation of staff dated May 11, 2010 as information. Carried

11. Unfinished Business: None.

12. New Business:

- a. Field Trips:
 - i) Report: F. J. Brennan Secondary School - Field Trip to Canada's Wonderland, May 28, 2010

Moved by Trustee Porcellini and seconded by Trustee Janisse that the Board approve the F. J. Brennan High School Field trip to Canada's Wonderland scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2010. Carried

- ii) Report: St. Gregory Catholic Elementary School - Field Trip to Niagara Falls, May 26, 2010

Moved by Trustee Porcellini and seconded by Trustee Janisse that the Board approve the St. Gregory Catholic Elementary School field trip to Niagara Falls May 26, 2010. Carried

- iii) Report: St. John the Baptist, St. Bernard (W), St. Jules and L.A. Desmarais - Field Trip to Canada's Wonderland Music Festivals, Toronto

Moved by Trustee Porcellini and seconded by Trustee Janisse that the Board approve the field trips to Canada's Wonderland to participate in the Canada's Wonderland Music Festivals as follows:

May 31 – St. John the Baptist

June 14 – St. Bernard (W), St. Jules, L.A. Desmarais. Carried

- b. Report: Board Policy Review (*approval in principle*) Draft Policy B:08 Facility Partnerships Policy

Trustee Porcellini raised a number of concerns with the policy and questioned the timeline. The report was deferred.

Moved by Trustee Holland and seconded by Trustee DiMenna that the Board defer the policy Draft New Board Policy B:08 Facility Partnerships. Carried

- c. Report: The Appointment of Mary-Anne Mouawad from the Learning Disabilities Association of Windsor-Essex County to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Moved by Trustee DiMenna and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the Board approve the appointment of Mary-Anne Mouawad from the Learning Disabilities Association of Windsor-Essex County to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) for the balance of the four-year term, December 1, 2006 to November 30, 2010. Carried

13. Committee Reports: None

14. Notice of Motion: None

15. Remarks and Announcements:

- a. Chairperson Alexander commented on the Catholic Central arts display “Working on Foreign Land” held May 7th at the ArtSpeak Gallery and congratulated the students and teachers Elaine Carr, Natalie Uros, and Chuck Reynolds. He mentioned Director Berthiaume volunteering at McDonalds to benefit Transition to Betterness and Ronald McDonald house of Southwestern Ontario.
- b. Director of Education Berthiaume provided comment on recent activities supporting the Board’s strategic priorities namely;
Faith Development: Culmination of Catholic Education Week “Rejoicing in Hope.” Many worthwhile events occurred during this week at both the schools and parishes. Director Berthiaume thanked the staff for their efforts.
Community Engagement and Partnerships: Brought greetings to Children’s Mental Health Forum and volunteered at McDonalds benefitting Transition to Betterness and Ronald McDonald House.
Celebrating Achievements: Attended the May 10th Annual Dr. Clare R. MacLeod Secondary Volunteer Awards Luncheon, every one of our schools were represented and attended Catholic Central’s art display “Working on Foreign Land”.
- c. Board Chaplain commented on what a privilege it was to attend celebrations at St. Thomas of Villanova, Cardinal Carter and St. Joseph Catholic Secondary Schools during Education Week.

16. Remarks/Questions by Trustees

Trustee Holland thanked administration for bringing the St. Joseph Catholic Elementary choir to tonight’s meeting and has been receiving positive responses about Muskoka.

Trustee Soulliere mentioned a teacher from St. John the Evangelist school spoke about the Catholic education system at Saturday night mass during Education Week. She also attended the Children’s Mental Health Forum and the Leadercast “Be the One” conference at St. Clair of the Arts.

Trustee Keane attended the mass celebrated at Assumption church for St. James and St. Francis Catholic Elementary schools during Education Week and thanked the principals from both schools for their efforts.

Trustee DiMenna enjoyed tonight's performance of the St. Joseph Catholic Elementary choir and encourages other teachers to do the same.

Trustee Porcellini mentioned Catholic Central teachers and students were pleased to see Chair Alexander at the ArtSpeak Gallery displaying "Working on Foreign Land". She also mentioned it is Nurses week.

Trustee Macri also enjoyed the St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School performance and the St. Anne Catholic Secondary presentation.

Trustee Courtney thanked St. Joseph's music teacher for the tonight's performance and fellow trustees for their positive comments.

Student Trustee Wolinski commented on the presentations of two social justice speakers and congratulated future student trustee L. Limarzi for winning the Hugh O'Brien award.

Student Trustee Timperio inquired whether the board will receive the Focus on Youth grant again and how beneficial the grant is to both elementary and secondary students.

17. Pending Items
 - a. Draft Board Policy H:07 Selection Process - Principals and Vice Principals (*deferred March 10, 2009*)
 - b. Deferred Report: Play Surface Material Standard – Rubber (*deferred from April 28, 2009*)
18. Continuation of In-Camera, if required. - Not required.
19. Future Board Meetings: *Unless stated otherwise, all meetings will be held at the Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre - 1325 California Avenue, Windsor with the In-Camera Session beginning at 6:00 p.m. and the Public Session beginning at 7:00 p.m.*
 - Tuesday, May 25, 2010
 - Tuesday, June 8, 2010
 - **Monday**, June 21, 2010
20. Closing Prayer – Fr. Brunet closed the meeting with a prayer.
21. Adjournment - There being no further business, the Regular Board meeting of May 11, 2010 adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Approved
Fred Alexander
Board Chairperson

Joseph Berthiaume
Director of Education & Secretary-Treasurer