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CHAIRPERSON: Barbara Holland  
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Paul A. Picard

## ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Monday, December 2, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.  
Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre  
1325 California Avenue, Windsor  
(*Mass Assumption Chapel at 6:45 p.m.*)

### MINUTES

#### PRESENT

##### **Trustees:**

|                             |                 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| M. DiMenna                  | J. Macri        |
| F. Favot                    | B. Mastromattei |
| B. Holland                  | J. McMahon      |
|                             | L. Soulliere    |
| F. Dellosa, Student Trustee |                 |

##### **Other:**

Rev. M. Parent

##### **Regrets:**

Student Trustee M. Ellepola  
Rev. L. Brunet, Board Chaplain

##### **Administration:**

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| P. Picard (Resource) | E. Byrne        | J. Shea                |
| C. Geml              | P. Murray       | J. Ulicny              |
| J. Bumbacco          | S. O'Hagan-Wong | Sherrilynn Colley-Vegh |
| M. Iatonna           | M. Seguin       |                        |

##### **Recorder:**

B. Marshall

1. Call To Order/Welcome - In accordance with Section 2.0 of the Board By-Laws, Paul Picard, Director of Education called the meeting to order at 7:29 p.m. and presided over the meeting until the election of the Chair.
2. Opening Prayer/Re-Commissioning - Fr. Parent opened the meeting with a prayer and led a re-commissioning prayer reaffirming trustees' commitment to the provision of Catholic education.
3. Recording of Attendance - All trustees present. Trustees Alexander and Courtney participated electronically. Student Trustee Ellepola was absent due to a prior commitment. Rev. Brunet was absent due to illness.

#### 4. Election of Chair

The Director of Education asked trustees to approve the appointment of two scrutineers.

**Moved by Trustee DiMenna and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the Board approve the appointment of Rev. Mike Parent and Executive Superintendent Mario Iatonna as scrutineers.**  
*Carried*

As Presiding Officer, Director Picard invited trustees who wished to serve as Chair to stand and declare their candidacy. The following trustees declared their candidacy:

- Trustee Holland

After three requests by Director Picard inviting those who wished to stand to do so, there were no further declarations and the Director called that nominations be closed.

**Moved by Trustee Mastromattei and seconded by Trustee Macri that nominations for the position of Chair be closed.** *Carried*

Trustee Holland was acclaimed to the position of Chairperson.

At this point, Trustee Holland assumed the Chair and proceeded with election of the Vice-Chair.

#### 5. Election of Vice-Chair

Chair Holland invited trustees who wished to serve as Vice-Chair to stand and declare their candidacy. The following trustees rose and declared their candidacy:

- Trustee DiMenna

After three requests by Chair Holland inviting those who wished to stand to do so, there were no further declarations and the Chair called that nominations be closed.

**Moved by Trustee Favot and seconded by Trustee McMahon that nominations for the position of Vice-Chair be closed.** *Carried*

Trustee DiMenna was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chair.

Vice Chair DiMenna addressed the Board:

“I am honoured to once again serve as Vice Chair of the Board. We need to work together with integrity, responsibility and accountability to re-establish ourselves as leaders in Catholic education. Student achievement and student success continue to be a top priority for our Board. I am proud to say our Catholic schools are serving our students well. Individually we are but one voice, but collectively we have the power to build one of the strongest Catholic school Boards in Ontario”.

#### 6. Chairperson's Address:

Chair Holland addressed the Board and thanked her colleagues for their continued support and endorsement. Chair Holland thanked the entire board staff for their dedication and contributions to making Catholic education such a success in Windsor and Essex County. Chair Holland commented

on the accomplishments of the Board over the past year thanking Ministry Supervisors Norbert Hartmann and Janine Griffore and outlined some of the challenges for Catholic education in Windsor and Essex County for the upcoming year.

7. Establishment of Committees - Chair Holland asked trustees to review the present list of Committee appointments and to contact the Executive Assistant with their preferences as soon as possible. Committee appointments will be confirmed at a future meeting.
8. Next Regular Meeting of the Board: Tuesday, December 17, 2013
9. Closing Prayer – Fr. Parent closed the meeting with a prayer.
10. Adjournment – There being no further business, the Organizational Meeting of December 2, 2013 adjourned at 7:46 p.m. at the call of the Chair.

*Original signed by B. Holland and P. Picard*

**Barbara Holland**  
*Board Chairperson*

**Paul A. Picard**  
*Director of Education & Secretary of the Board*