



Minutes of the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board regular meeting held on March 29, 2011 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Board Office (due to delay of preceding Committee of the Whole meeting).

Present

Chair:	Barbara McCool
Vice-Chair:	Shawn Fitzsimmons
Trustees:	Jacques Bégin, Linda Jamieson, F. O'Hagan, John Willemsen
Director of Education:	Anna Marie Bitonti
Superintendent of Education:	Joanne Bénard Paula Mann
Superintendent of Business/Treasurer:	Grace Barnhardt
Recording Secretary:	Joanne Bénard
Chaplain:	Monsignor Norm Clement
Student Trustee:	Laura Paige
Communications Officer:	Josée Guillemette
Media :	
Other :	

Absent (with regrets) : Judy Manitowabi

1. CALL TO ORDER

Linda Jamieson led the prayer and B. McCool called the meeting to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

2.1 Regular meeting of March 29, 2011

Res. NPS 40-11

Moved by trustees L. Jamieson and J. Bégin that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board approve as amended the agenda of its regular meeting of March 29, 2011.

CARRIED

The following agenda items/documentation were amended or added:

7. ITEMS FOR DECISION

7.3 Executive Limitations

- a) *Short Term Capital Financing*

8. LINKAGE WITH NON-OWNERS

8.1 OCSTA/CCSTA Resolutions

- b) **OCSTA Resolutions**

12. INCIDENTAL INFORMATION

12.1 Director's report on information requested in EL-8

- b) *NPSC Aboriginal Cultural Retreat: April 18 – 21, 2011*
- c) *Carousel Evening 2011 – May 19, 2011*
- d) *School Climate Survey*

12.3 Student Trustee Report

12.4 Other Information Items

- b) Other
 - xi) *Summary and Minutes of Minister's Advisory Council on Special Education – February 2011*
 - xii) *Nugget article – **Hall of Fame** – featuring Andrew Hazelwood, leader of Duke of Edinburgh Program at SJSH (2011 03 18)*
 - xiii) *BayToday.ca article – **A note of clarification** re full day funding (2011 03 21)*
 - xiv) *BayToday.ca article – **An Awesome lunch for some awesome kids** – featuring Grade 1 students from Corpus Christi who collected donations for the Humane Society during the recent Waggin Tails event (2011 03 22)*
 - xv) *Nugget article – **Announcement Late** – clarification of full day kindergarten funding (2011 03 24)*

2.2 Meeting Monitor and Review

The Meeting Monitor's Report from the February 22, 2011 Board meeting prepared by Frank O'Hagan was reviewed.

3. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4.1 Regular meeting of February 22, 2011

Res. NPS 41-11

Moved by trustees J. Willemsen, J. Bégin and L. Jamieson that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board approve as presented the minutes of its regular meeting held on February 22, 2011.

CARRIED

Res. NPS 42-11

Moved by trustees L. Jamieson and J. Willemsen that the regular meeting of the Board now go into the in-camera session of the meeting.

CARRIED

5. **OWNERSHIP LINKAGE**

5.1 **Ownership Linkage Session (April 7) Update**

The upcoming linkage session with Canadore College on April 7 was discussed. Facilitators will be S. Fitzsimmons, J. Manitowabi L. Jamieson, and F. O'Hagan.

5.2 **Catholic Education Week**

Education week activities were discussed as an opportunity for Trustees to communicate key messages with the community about Catholic education as outlined in the report from J. Guillemette. Messaging and schedules for speaking at local masses will be forwarded in the next few weeks.

5.3 **Review of NOCCC Presentation as related to ENDS**

The presentation by S. Wishak, Northern Catholic Curriculum Cooperative (NOCCC), was briefly discussed. The Board's involvement with NOCCC is aligned with its vision of partnerships with the Catholic education community, and as such, more aligned with its linkage role. The resources and professional development opportunities offered

through NOCCC provide a means for staff to move forward achieving the Board's ENDS.

6. BOARD EDUCATION

6.1 Coaching Reports

The February 22, 2011 Coaching Report was reviewed.

7. ITEMS FOR DECISION

7.1 Ends

7.2 Governance Process

a) OCSTA AGM and Conference – April 28 – 30, 2011 – Toronto

Res. NPS 45-11

Moved by trustees J. Willemsen and J. Bégin that the following trustee be delegated to represent the board at the 2011 AGM and conference of OCSTA in Toronto ON – April 28 – April 30, 2011:

Frank O'Hagan

CARRIED

b) Equity and Inclusive Education Symposium – follow-up

Information for future ENDS decision-making

J. Willemsen presented an overview of the Equity and Inclusive Education Symposium held in February. He commented on Symposium topics such as the Human Rights Commission and the need to be inclusive in all levels of the organization.

7.3 Executive Limitations

a) Short Term Capital Financing

Res. NPS – 46-11

WHEREAS the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board (hereinafter called "the Board") finds it necessary to borrow the sum of up to \$7,087,102 to meet the current expenditures for the permanent improvements underway for the construction of St. Luke School until the project is completed and eligible for long-term financing with the Ontario Financing Authority (OFA).

AND WHEREAS the unreceived or uncollected balance of the revenue approved for the St. Luke School project by the Ministry of Education and Training is \$7,087,102.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Chair and the Treasurer of the board are hereby authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from time to time a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$7,087,102 to meet the current expenditures for the permanent improvements to St. Luke School until the permanent financing is completed and the revenue has been received; and to give on behalf of the Board to the lenders a promissory note or notes under the corporate seal of the Board signed by the Chair and the Treasurer for the moneys borrowed hereunder with interest at the Banker's Acceptance rate plus three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$)%.
2. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to apply in payment of all sums borrowed as aforesaid, all of the moneys comprising the future proceeds of the long-term financing through the OFA, once received.

CARRIED

8. LINKAGE WITH NON-OWNERS

8.1 OCSTA/CCSTA Resolutions

a) Catholic Education – A National Conversation

Information was received re the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association conference to be held from September 22 - 24, 2011 in Ottawa.

b) OCSTA Resolutions

The Board acknowledged receipt of OCSTA AGM resolutions. (Due to the size of this package, in the future, this will be distributed electronically only, and posted on the portal.)

9. REQUIRED APPROVALS AGENDA

10. MONITORING REPORTS

10.1 EL4 (Q2) – Financial Condition and Activities

Res. NPS 47-11

Moved by trustees F. O'Hagan and J. Willemsen that the Board has assessed the monitoring report for the policy **EL4 (Q2) – Financial condition and Activities** and finds that it provides evidence of compliance with a reasonable interpretation of the policy.

CARRIED

10.2 **EL1 – Global Executive Constraint**

Res. NPS48-11

Moved by trustees J. Willemsen and F. O'Hagan that the Board has assessed the monitoring report for the policy **EL1 – Global Executive Constraint** and finds that it provides evidence of compliance with a reasonable interpretation of the policy.

CARRIED

11. **BOARD SELF-EVALUATION**

11.1 **BTSL 1 – Global Governance – Management Connection**

The self-evaluation for Policy BTSL1 was completed (attached).
No revisions to the policy are recommended.

11.2 **Meeting Monitor's Report**

The Meeting Monitor's Report was completed by Linda Jamieson.
(attached).

12. **INCIDENTAL INFORMATION**

12.1 **Director's report on information requested in EL-8**

A.M. Bitonti addressed the trustees on the following:

a) Ice Symposium – Living Our Legacy: Forging our Future (May 15, 16, 2011)

A Board team made up of representatives from various stakeholders will be attending. Dialogue topics were shared with the Board.

b) NPSC Aboriginal Cultural Retreat: April 18 – 21, 2011

P. Mann provided an update memo on the upcoming retreat. Board members are welcome to attend.

c) Carousel Evening 2011 – May 19, 2011

P. Mann provided an update memo on the annual Special Education Carousel. All Board members are welcome to attend.

d) School Climate Survey

The draft surveys to parents, students and staff were shared with Trustees for input/feedback (due April 8). These will be for completion online.

12.2 Director's Report

A.M. Bitonti provided updates on:

- Students Who Make A Difference event and Humanitarian Award (A. Hazelwood)
- Professional Development – Faith Day on April 11th – Trustees welcome to attend
- Lenten Activities (list of activities distributed)

12.3 Student Trustee Report

The following information was provided by student trustee, Laura Paige:

Events that have occurred this month

1. Winter Formal

- March 4th
- Profit of over \$5000

2. Girl's Hockey

- Won NOSSA
- OFSSA - Stratford

3. Europe Trip

- March 10th - 18th

Current Activities

1. Battery Drive

- On going collection in Period 3

2. Badminton

- On going normal games

3. Food Drive

- April 13th
- North Bay, Sturgeon Falls, Mattawa, Callandar, Powassan

4. Smart Risk Presentations

- On lunches

5. Literacy Test

- March 31st in the morning

12.4 Other Information Items

- a) Committee Reports
 - i) Special Education Advisory Committee, meeting of March 8, 2011
- b) Other
 - i) Memorandum from OCSTA re **Private Member's Bill regarding a partial return to local taxation** (2011 02 24)
 - ii) Nugget photo – **Out History: Heritage Week invites residents to explore the past** – Scollard Hall Building) (2011 02 24)
 - iii) Nugget photo – **Loving Writing: Literacy carousel makes learning fun** – Featuring St. Gregory School during a literacy carousel (2011 02 26)
 - iv) Memorandum from OCSTA re ***New* OCSTA Monthly Communication Packets for CDSBs** (2011 03 03)
 - v) Nugget photo – **Great Gifts: Kindergarten students receive books** – featuring St. Alexander School – presentation of books by the Canadian Federation of Women North Bay Club Gift of Reading program (2011 03 04)
 - vi) Nugget photo – **Going, Going, Gone: Engineers test students' creations** – featuring the Professional Engineers of Ontario's eighth bridge building contest held at SJSB (2011 03 05)
 - vii) Nugget photo – **Super Speakers Trio headed to French public speaking competition** – featuring *Concours et Festival d'art oratoire* (2011 03 08)
 - viii) Nugget article – **Board rebuilding St. Hubert School** (2011 03 10)
 - ix) Nugget photo – **Teaching Technology: Students use slide shows to showcase their work** – featuring Corpus Christi School (2011 03 16)
 - x) Memorandum from Ministry of Education – **Closed sessions for audit committee meetings** (2011 03 18)


13. ADJOURNMENT

Res. NPS 49-11

Moved by F. O'Hagan and J. Willemsen that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board now adjourn its regular meeting at 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Moved and adopted this 26 day of April, 2011


Secretary


Chair