

Committee of the Whole Meeting

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, April 20, 2009 at the Waterloo Region Catholic Education Centre.

Trustees Present:

Denise Blum; Wayne Buchholtz; Manuel da Silva; Louise Ervin; Joseph Gowing; Fr. Robert Héту*; Judy Nairn; Greg Reitzel; Marion Thomson Howell (Chair)

*arrived at 7:18 p.m.

Student Trustees Present:

Alex Chmura

Administrative Officials Present:

Roger Lawler; Rick Boisvert; Gerry Clifford; Bryan Mahn; Shesh Maharaj; Bruce Rodrigues; Glenn Sheculski; John Shewchuk

Special Resources For The Meeting:

Regrets:

Heather Cullen; Thomas Slabon

Recording Secretary:

Barb Pilsner, Executive Administrative Assistant

NOTE ON VOTING: Under Board by-law 5.7 all Board decisions made by consensus are deemed the equivalent of a unanimous vote. A consensus decision is therefore deemed to be a vote of 9-0. Under Board by-law 5.11 every Trustee "shall vote on all questions on which the Trustee is entitled to vote" and abstentions are not permitted.

1. *Call to Order:*

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

1.1 -- **Opening Prayer & Memorials**

The opening prayer was led by Pastoral Care Team. Intentions were offered for: L. Ervin's granddaughter's health,

1.2 -- **Approval of Agenda**

Remove item 4.1 and 4.2 from the agenda

2009-51-- It was *moved* by **J. Gowing** and *seconded* by **G. Reitzel**:
THAT the agenda for April 20, 2009 as amended be now approved. -- **Carried by consensus.**

1.3 -- **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

- 1.3.1 From the current meeting – NIL
- 1.3.2 From a previous public or in-camera meeting – NIL

2. *Consent Agenda: Director of Education*

NIL

3. *Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees*

3.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings (pp 1-3)

- 3.1.1 Minutes of Meeting of March 23, 2009
- 3.1.2 Items for Action from Previous Meeting
- 3.1.3 Minutes of Task Force on ...

2009-52 -- It was *moved* by **J. Gowing** and *seconded* by **L. Ervin**:

THAT the Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees and the recommendations contained therein be now approved. --
Carried by consensus.

4. *Delegations/Presentations*

4.1 Waterloo Catholic Schools Foundation – removed

4.2 Procurement Policies Regarding Social Justice – removed

5. *Ownership Linkage*

6. *Reports From Board Committees/Task Forces*

6.1 Vision of Inclusion Update (Fr. Robert Héту – information)

Fr. Robert advised the trustees that Bernie Kowalczyk will not be able to do the presentation. The committee will look for a panel presentation for the history of inclusion in our board comprised of a superintendent, teacher, special education teacher and SEAC member for a proposed discussion for June.

Two dates for inclusion visits to schools have been arranged:

May 14th at Monsignor Doyle from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. hosting St. Francis C, Monsignor Doyle and Our Lady of Fatima
May 28th at St. Mary's from 4:00 – 6:00 hosting St. Aloysius, Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's and St. Nicholas.

Trustees were encouraged to attend one of the sessions to get a better understanding of what parents and students are experiencing. Laura Shoemaker will present trends at the May Committee of the Whole meeting.

7. *Board Education*

8. *Policy Discussion*

9. *Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance*

9.1 – Monitoring Reports & Votes on Compliance

NIL

9.2 – Challenges to Monitoring

NIL

9.3 – Advice from the CEO

NIL

9.4 – New Operational Worries

NIL

9.5 – Next Monitoring Assignment

NIL

10. *Board Self-Assessment Against Board Means Policies*

NIL

11. *Announcements*

11.1 – The following reports are posted on the Board web page: www.wcdsb.ca

- a) Minutes of SEAC Meetings
- b) Minutes of Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of

11.2 – Upcoming Meetings/Events: (all scheduled for the Catholic Education Centre unless otherwise indicated)

12. *Items For Next Meeting Agenda*

13. *Adjournment – confirm decisions made tonight*

14. *Motion to Adjourn*

2009-53 -- It was *moved* by **L. Ervin** and *seconded* by **D. Blum**:

THAT the meeting be now adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:23 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary