

Special Committee of the Whole Board Meeting -- Public

A special public meeting of the Committee of the Whole Board was held on Monday, September 8, 2008 at the Waterloo Region Catholic Education Centre.

Trustees Present:

Wayne Buchholtz (Chair); Denise Blum; Manuel da Silva; Louise Ervin; Joseph Gowing; Judy Nairn; Marion Thomson Howell

Student Trustees Present:

Alex Chmura; Thomas Slabon

Administrative Officials Present:

Roger Lawler; Bruce Rodrigues; Bryan Mahn; Gerry Clifford; Glenn Sheculski;

Special Resources For The Meeting:

NIL

Regrets:

Fr. Robert Héту; Greg Reitzel; Bernie Kowalczyk; Helen Mitchell; Heather Cullen; Rick Boisvert;

Recorder:

Roger Lawler

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 6:00 p.m.

1.1 -- Opening Prayer & Memorials

The opening prayer was led by D. Blum. Intentions were offered for: Gladys Voisin; Mary Clifford; student killed in Toronto; parent at Our Lady of Lourdes; friend of D. Blum.

1.2 -- Approval of Agenda

2008-116-- It was *moved* by **M. da Silva** and *seconded* by **J. Nairn**:
THAT the agenda for September 8, 2008 be now approved. -- Carried by consensus.

1.3 -- Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

NIL

2 *Consent Agenda: Director of Education*

NIL

3 *Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees*

3.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

3.1.1 – Minutes of regular and special public Committee of the Whole Board meetings – *NIL*

- 3.1.2 – Minutes of the Linkages Committee – *NIL*
- 3.1.4 – Minutes of the Governance Committee – *NIL*
- 3.1.5 -- Minutes of the Visioning Committee – *NIL*
- 3.1.6 -- Minutes of the Task Force on Catholic Education – *NIL*

2008-117-- It was *moved* by **M. Thomson Howell** and *seconded* by **L. Ervin**:
THAT that the Board of Trustees Consent Agenda be now approved. -- Carried by consensus

4 *Delegations/Presentations*

NIL

5 *Ownership Linkage*

NIL

6 *Reports From Board Committees / Task Forces*

6.1 – Orientation Package

The draft orientation package will be discussed at the regular public Committee of the Whole Board meeting on September 15, 2008.

7 *Board Education*

NIL

8. *Policy Discussion*

8.1 – Board Policies

The Committee of the Whole Board recommends the Board of Trustees approve the following policies on September 29, 2008:

- II 003 -- Board Job Description
- II 004 -- Advocacy and Advertising
- II 005 -- Consultation
- II 006 -- Board Members' Code of Conduct
- II 007 -- Role of the Chair
- II 008 -- Board Committee Principles
- II 013 -- Trustee Expenses
- Move I 003 to section II as policy II 006 and renumber the rest.
- II 001 -- Global Governance Commitment
- I 001 -- Ends statement

9. *Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance*

9.1 – Monitoring Reports & Votes on Compliance

9.2 – Challenges to Monitoring

9.3 – New Operational Worries

9.4 – Next Monitoring Assignment

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

NIL

11. *Announcements*

11.1 – Reports Posted on Web Site

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

- a) Minutes of SEAC Meetings
- b) Minutes of Parent Involvement Committee Meetings
- c) Minutes of Budget Advisory Committee Meetings
- d) Minutes of Family Life Advisory Committees.

12. *Items For Next Meeting Agenda*

- Draft monitoring calendar
- Work on Board Committees
- Discussion on the O Drive
- Discussion on Sharing Our Journey survey

13. *Adjournment*

2008-118- It was *moved* by **M. da Silva:**
THAT the meeting be now adjourned. -- Carried by consensus

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary