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 Hétu*; 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 Hétu – 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](http://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.

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Chair of the Board  Secretary