Committee of the Whole Meeting

A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held on Monday, May 17, 2010 at the Waterloo Region Catholic Education Centre.

**Trustees Present:**
Denise Blum; Wayne Buchholtz; Manuel da Silva; Louise Ervin; Fr. Robert Hétu; Judy Nairn; Greg Reitzel; *Marion Thomson Howell (Chair)
*left the meeting at 7:15 pm.

**Student Trustees Present:**
Nicole Bigelow; *Thomas Slabon
*arrived at 6:19 pm.

**Administrative Officials Present:**
Roger Lawler; Rick Boisvert; Gerry Clifford; Manny Figueiredo; Shesh Maharaj; Bruce Rodrigues

**Special Resources For The Meeting:**

**Regrets:**
Joseph Gowing; Paul Tratnyek

**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 6:00 p.m.

1.1 **Opening Prayer & Memorials**
The opening prayer was led by Marianna Worth, chaplain and three students from Monsignor Doyle. Intentions were offered for a student in St. Thomas who passed away – keep the family in our prayers.

1.2 **Approval of Agenda**

2010-85 -- It was moved by M. da Silva and seconded by D. Blum:
THAT the agenda for May 17, 2010 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**

3. **Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees**

3.1 **Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings**

3.1.1 Minutes of meeting of April 19, 2010
3.1.2 Items for Action from Previous Meeting
3.1.3 Minutes of Task Force on …

2010-86 -- It was moved by Fr. R. Hétu 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

5. Ownership Linkage

6. Reports From Board Committees/Task Forces

6.1 Consultation Task Force Minutes and Report of May 10/10
W. Buchholtz provided an overview of the committee’s mandate and actions and explained the results of the external
consultations and the consultations with PIC, SEAC and School Councils.

The committee is recommending changes to the wording of Policy IV 012, II 005 and II 001. The revised policies with
the changes bolded to be included in the consent agenda for the May Board of Trustees’ meeting. Committee
members feel they have met the mandate and their task is now complete.

7. Board Education

7.1 Storm Water Management
M. Thomson Howell reported the City of Kitchener is bringing forward a recommendation for by-law change. The
mayor of Kitchener would like to pass the by-law and then meet with both school boards and make alternate
arrangements.

2010-87-- It was moved by L. Ervin and seconded G. Reitzel:
THAT the Board of Trustees move to an in-camera meeting – All in consensus

The meeting moved to an in-camera session at 6:35 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 6:58 following the in-camera session.
M. da Silva took the Chair.

7.2 Resource Development Office Activities Presentation
Trustees received a report from V. Degutis, Resource Development Office which gives a more in depth look at the
resources that are coordinated by this office. He provided information on the International Education Program and
spoke of the benefits of relationship building with both universities and colleges. Trustees were in agreement further
discussion is needed and this will be added to the pending items for September or October. Trustees were requested
to send their questions to V. Degutis and R. Lawler to be addressed.

7.3 Update on Monsignor Gleason/St. John CES Project
D. Bennett and G. Clifford reported that following the ARC decision there was a recommendation to come back to the
board to give an update on the plans for St. John and Monsignor Gleason. Trustees received a brief synopsis of
construction plans scheduled to begin in July. School communities were invited to two open houses where the site
plan was on display.

8. Policy Discussion (Based on Annual Plan of Board Work)

9. Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance

10. Board Self-Assessment Against Board Means Policies
10.1 Monitoring Reports & Votes on Compliance

10.1.1 Accommodation Policy Enrolment/Demographics Update/AP Memo Update
Trustees received a report on the demographic trends and enrolment trends at elementary and secondary. No accommodation reviews are planned for the coming school year however changes to the Ministry capital funding formula or announcements of capital funding may affect that decision. Trustees discussed the changes to the pupil accommodation review process. The Ministry of Education has revised the guidelines for accommodation reviews.

10.2 Advice from the CEO

10.2.1 Work on Ends for Budget Development and Future Monitoring: “Strategic Direction: Key Success Measurements 2010-2013”
R. Lawler and B. Rodrigues reported on the Strategic Direction: Key Success Measurements for 2010-2013. Trustees were asked to break into groups to do an analysis and record their feedback which will be collated and sent to them.

2010-88 -- It was moved by J. Nairn and seconded by G. Reitzel: THAT the meeting be extended by 15 minutes -- All in consensus

The meeting was extended at 8:46 pm.

2010-89 -- It was moved by J. Nairn seconded by D. Blum: THAT the meeting be extended by 10 minutes.

The meeting was extended at 9:15 p.m.

Trustees in agreement they would like more time to discuss this document and will have a special Committee of the Whole June 14.

11. Potential Agenda Items

12. Announcements

12.1 – 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

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

13. Items For Next Meeting Agenda

14. Adjournment – confirm decisions made tonight

The recording secretary reviewed the decisions made tonight.

15. Motion to Adjourn

2010-90-- It was moved by G. Reitzel: THAT the meeting be now adjourned.
The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:25 p.m.