A public meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held Monday, May 12, 2014 at Resurrection C.S.S., 455 University Ave., W., Kitchener

**Trustees Present:**
Joyce Anderson; Wayne Buchholtz; Manuel da Silva; Frank Johnson; Anthony Piscitelli; Wendy Price; Peter Reitmeier

**Student Trustees Present:**
Alexandru Gheorghe; Carlos Valero

**Administrative Officials Present:**
Larry Clifford; Gerry Clifford; David DeSantis; Derek Haime; Maria Ivankovic; Shesh Maharaj; Laura Shoemaker

**Special Resources For The Meeting:**

**Regrets:**
Janek Jagiellowicz; Greg Reitzel; John Shewchuk; Fr. Fred Scinto. C.R.

**Absent:**

**Recorder:**
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.

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**1. Call to Order:**
The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

1.1 **Opening Prayer & Memorials**
The opening prayer was led by A. Gheorghe, Pastoral Team Committee. Intentions were offered for the birth of Lindsay Ford’s daughter; for the colleague of M. da Silva who passed away; for Bonnie Rempel, wife of Bob Rempel, and Jackie Jolly wife of Todd Jolly who passed away. Please keep their families and their school communities in your prayers.

1.2 **Approval of Agenda**
Add Item 4.8 Tour of Resurrection CSS following VIP presentations  
2014-78 -- It was moved by M. da Silva and seconded by W. Price: THAT the agenda for May 12, 2014 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

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**2. Consent Agenda: Director of Education (e.g. day-to-day operational matters from the Ministry of Education that the board is required to do)**

**3. Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees (Minutes of meetings)**

3.1 **Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings**
3.1.1 Minutes of meeting of April 7, 2014
2014-79 -- It was moved by W. Price and seconded by P. Reitmeier:

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

Carried by consensus

4 Delegations

4.1 VIP Awards

4.1.1 C. Valero presented the VIP award to Sebastian Malton, a student at Resurrection CSS
4.1.2 J. Anderson presented the VIP award to Jakob Main, a student at St. John
4.1.3 W. Buchholtz presented the VIP award to Nathalie Giovinazzo, a student at St. Nicholas
4.1.4 M. da Silva presented the VIP award to Nolan Ramon, a student at St. Mark
4.1.5 A. Gheorghe presented the VIP award to Ruté Sousa, a student at St. Vincent de Paul

The meeting recessed at 6:51 p.m.
The meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

Kathleen Helferty, vice-principal and David Jaeger, acting vice-principal gave the trustees and senior staff a tour of Resurrection school facilities.

4.2 St. Gabriel Update

J. Bigelow advised construction on St. Gabriel school is progressing. Brickwork is beginning and approximately 75% of the building is water tight. The only area where the roof is not complete is the gym which may not be open for the first of September. G. Clifford advised we have added an additional JK-K class.

J. Bigelow provided updates on the FDK program additions at St. Aloysius and St. Daniel.

4.3 EQAO Grade 9 Math

D. DeSantis was contacted by Sue McKearnen from the Ministry wanting to profile St. Mary's for their wonderful work in the applied maths. St. Mary's math scores have increased over the past five years. He congratulated Gale Daly and her team for the successes.

4.4 Restorative Justice Training

D. Haime advised all Administrators have received two days of training on restorative justice. All Board Office and Dutton Drive staff are currently being trained to ensure we respect the human dignity of others. The plan moving forward is to ensure our students experience the responses they are taught every day and to enable staff to have more tools to spread that message.

4.5 Summer Learning Program

D. Haime introduced Janet Foote, principal at St. Anne C. to speak about the program coming to her school.

J. Foote spoke with L. Clifford on a visit to the school in October about challenges and struggles at school. She was looking for a program for the students to be in school for part of the summer. In September teachers spend time reviewing the concepts as some of their learning is lost through the summer. D. Haime and J. Foote met to investigate a program. D. Haime received funding from the Ministry of Education and CODE and the program called Summer Boost will be offered in five schools beginning this summer. The program will be a consolidation of skills and concepts the students have already learned.

4.6 Board Website Survey Report

Sandra Quehl, Chief Information Officer reviewed the results of a survey completed by the community and staff regarding the Board’s website. 160 responded to the survey and provided comments that will help us to make the website more user-friendly. A web design strategy team will be organized to update and release a new website for September. We also want to provide departments the necessary tools to keep the content on their sites up to date.

4.7 Catholic Curriculum Planning Tool

D. Haime thanked L. Clifford for commissioning this work and to the superintendents, Jonathan Wright and Marylin Dawson who gathered all the data from the stakeholders. The Catholic Curriculum Planning Tool is a way to organize learning to affirm the Catholic nature of all subjects. It provides a framework for integrating new Religious Education and Family Life curricula with other subject areas and for making our Catholic content more visible in the classroom. From the ICE Curriculum Document each grade has its own essential question, celebration focus, scriptural focus and Catholic Social Teaching Focus. We will be rolling this out this fall.
4.8 **Tour of Resurrection CSS** moved to follow VIP presentations

5. **Ownership Linkage (Communication with the External Environment)**

6. **Actions From Board Committees/Task Forces**
   6.1 **Code of Conduct Task Force – draft policy**
   Each Task Force member looked at codes from other boards. They discussed and then looked at material that would strengthen our code as recommend by Eric Roher. A draft code was developed and presented for discussion. The revised Code of Conduct will be placed on the June 23rd agenda for approval.

7. **Board Education (at the request of the Board)**

8. **Policy Discussion**

9. **Assurance of Successful Board Performance**

10. **Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance**
   10.1 **Monitoring Reports & Vote on Compliance**
   10.1.1

   10.2 **Advice from the CEO**

   10.2.1 **Student Trustee Elections 2014-15**
   D. DeSantis advised student elections were held in April and we had six applicants. We have two outstanding future trustees being mentored by our current student trustees. Carlos Valero and Alexandru Gheorghe introduced Maria Paz Rodriguez and Karen Hakim.

11. **Potential Agenda Items**

12. **Announcements**
   12.1 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 Meetings

13. **Items for the Next Meeting Agenda/Pending Items**
   13.1 Items for the Next Meeting Agenda

   13.2 Pending Items:

14. **Adjournment – Confirm decisions made tonight. Closing Prayer**
   
   The Recording Secretary confirmed the meeting decisions.

15. **Motion to Adjourn**
   
   2014-80-- It was moved by A. Piscitelli and seconded by M. da Silva:
   THAT the meeting be now adjourned.
   The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:13 p.m.

Chair of the Board

Secretary

Waterloo Catholic District School Board – Monday, May 12, 2014
Minutes – Committee of the Whole Meeting