Committee of the Whole Meeting

A public meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held Monday, May 14, 2018 at Waterloo Region Catholic Education Centre, Kitchener

Trustees Present:
Joyce Anderson, Bill Conway, Manuel da Silva, *Jeanne Gravelle, Wendy Price (Chair), Greg Reitzel, Brian Schmalz, Melanie Van Alphen
*via Skype

Student Trustees Present:
Kate Jamieson, Meghan Nemeth

Administrative Officials Present:
Loretta Notten, Gerry Clifford, Jason Connolly, John Klein, Shesh Maharaj, Judy Merkel, Richard Olson, Laura Shoemaker

Special Resources For The Meeting:

Regrets:

Absent:

Recorder:
Alice Figueiredo, 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 called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials
The opening prayer was led by Trustee Brian Schmalz.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

Amendments to agenda: SECTION 7 will be heard before section 5 and 8.2 will move in Private, Private, Private by Board of Trustee

2018-14 -- It was moved by Trustee Reitzel and seconded by Trustee Van Alphen: THAT the agenda for Monday, May 14, 2018 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 (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 April 9, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting

2018-15 -- It was moved by Trustee Conway seconded by Trustee Schmalz:
THAT the Minutes of April 9, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting and the recommendations contained
therein be now approved. --- Carried by consensus

4. Delegations

5. Advice From the CEO
5.1 Update on the Renewed Math Strategy (RMS) at the WCDSB

Superintendent Klein introduced Sherrie Rellinger, Student Achievement Officer 1-8 and Nancy Snyder, Student
Achievement Officer 7-12. An update was provided with respect to the Renewed Math Strategy (RMS) at our Board.

Ms. Rellinger discussed the elementary accomplishments and what has been learned. The importance of job-embedded
professional collaboration to move the academic agenda forward. Ms. Snyder discussed the key accomplishment at
secondary, including teachers taking more collaborative responsibility to improve learning & teaching.

A focus on learners with Learning Disabilities (LD) and diverse profiles was discussed. At the Board level, Program and
Student Services are working more closely to integrate portfolios. RMS strategies were discussed including Deeping Math
Content Knowledge, Building Leadership Capacity K-12, transition planning and technology-enabled learning.

The next steps going forward includes deepening educator understanding of the intentional intersection of content
knowledge, pedagogical knowledge and technological knowledge to maximize student learning and achievement.

5.2 School Travel Planner Update

Leslie Maxwell of Student Transportation Services of Waterloo Region (STSWR) has rolled out the school travel planning
program. Green Communities Canada has agreed to fund additional positions at STSWR in hopes of identifying a
sustainable and effective model for other school boards and municipalities to follow as they embark up on active school
travel programs.

Another exciting initiative being undertaken by the Waterloo Catholic District School Board is a system-wide refresh of bike
racks, scooter racks, and storage for skateboards. It is hoped that these types of initiates will remove barriers for active
travel to school.

6. Ownership Linkage (Communication with the External Environment)
6.1 Linkages Activity
- Discussed success of clergy dinner and whether the dinner should stay at the CEC or at an offsite location.

6.2 Pastoral Care Activity
- Catholic Education Week Mass was discussed.
- Trustee da Silva offered him home for the year-end with everyone contributing with a dish from their heritage.

7. Reports From Board Committees/Task Forces
7.1 CPIC Committee Update
Linda Gregorio, co-chair of CPIC provided an update on the Committee with respect to what accomplishments, challenges
they face and how Trustee can better support the work of CPIC. Ms. Gregorio noted that the PRO-Grant applications have
gone up from 5% to near 100% over the last couple of years.
7.2 SEAC Committee Update
Irene Holdbrook, chair of SEAC Committee provided an update on the Committee with respect to what accomplishments, challenges they face and how Trustees can better support the work of SEAC. Ms. Holdbrook noted the great success of their PRO Grant event last school year.

7.3 Audit Committee Update
Philip Silveira, chair of the Audit Committee provided an update on the Committee with respect to what accomplishments, challenges they face and how Trustees can better support the work of Audit Committee. Mr. Silveira applauded Shane Durham our Internal Audit Officer on his dedication and hard work.

8. Board Education (at the request of the Board)
8.1 OCSTA Communication

8.2. Motion to move in PPP
2018-16 -- It was moved by Trustee da Silva seconded by Trustee Van Alphen:
THAT the Board of Trustee move into Private, Private, Private at 8:34 p.m. --- Carried by consensus

2018-17 -- It was moved by Trustee Reitzel seconded by Trustee Schmalz:
THAT the Board of Trustee move back into public Board Meeting at 8:55 p.m. --- Carried by consensus

9. Policy Discussion

10. Assurance of Successful Board Performance

11. Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance
11.1 Monitoring Reports & Vote on Compliance

12. Potential Agenda Items

13. Announcements (all scheduled for the Catholic Education Centre unless otherwise indicated)
13.1 Upcoming Meetings/Events (all scheduled for the Catholic Education Centre unless otherwise indicated):
• May 23: City of Cambridge Annual Meeting
• May 24-27: OSTA-AECO AGM
• June 6-10: The CCSTA Conference & Annual General Meeting
• June 13: Resurrection Graduation
• June 26: St. Mary’s Graduation
• June 27: St. David's Graduation
• June 27: St. Benedict Graduation
• June 28: Monsignor Doyle Graduation

14. Items for the Next Meeting Agenda/Pending Items

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

16. Closing Prayer

17. Motion to Adjourn

2018-18-- It was moved by Trustee da Silva and seconded by Trustee Van Alphen:
 THAT the meeting be now adjourned. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:59 p.m.