

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

Meeting #11 – Wednesday, June 23, 2010

1. **MASS**

Presider: Father Jim McLenaghan from St. Margaret's Parish in Midland.

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order, by Jim Canning, Board Chair, at 8:20 pm, in the Board Room at the Catholic Education Centre, 46 Alliance Boulevard, Barrie.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Michael O'Keefe, Director of Education conducted the roll call of the Board of Trustees to establish quorum for the meeting.

Present: **Jim Canning – Board Chair**, Clayton Ferguson, John Gris , Justin Heran, Rick Maloney, Sergio Morales, Theresa Pinder, Connie Positano, Diana Riffert

Regrets: Jacob Brodka,

Resource: **Michael O'Keefe – Director of Education**, Brian Beal, Glenn Clarke, Peter Derochie, Jane Dillon-Leitch, Diane Legg, Mary Puopolo, Darren Schmidt, Enda Soostar, Kristin Dibble-Pechkovsky, Pia Elston, Allen Morrison, Jennifer Sharpe,

Recorder: Belinda Marcellus

4. **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for the approval of the meeting agenda.

5. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Nil.

6. **DELEGATIONS**

Nil.

7. **PRESENTATIONS**

Celebrating God's Gift of Life and the Wonder of Life in our Community

1) **Tom Leon Bursary**

The Tom Leon Foundation awards one male and one female student with a bursary towards their pursuit of post-secondary education. Eighteen applications from all nine secondary schools were received. The criteria requires that students demonstrate a commitment to Catholic values by contributing to their community and school life; possess a strong work ethic; have academic and athletic achievements; and

overcome a personal challenge. Connie Leon presented certificates to recipients, Catherine Bredin from Jean Vanier Catholic High School and John Lim from St. Peter's Catholic Secondary School. Connie Leon encouraged other community members to come forward next year to help students pursue post-secondary studies. Superintendent of Secondary Schools, Mary Puopolo provided biographical information on both recipients. Chair Jim Canning congratulated the recipients and thanked Connie and The Tom Leon Foundation for their continued support to Catholic students of the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board.

2) **Inclusion Awards of Excellence**

Reet Skelton from Simcoe Community Services presented the Inclusion Excellence Awards. These awards are given out annually to both students and professionals who go "above and beyond" to include students with an intellectual disability in all aspects of education and school life. Awards were presented to the St. Joan of Arc Catholic School Students' Council (Iza Smolik, Katherine Moreau, Angelica Grospe, Patricia Kuczynska, Jordan McCauley), Student Trustee Sergio Morales, and to staff; Richard Koeman -Jean Vanier , Kathleen O'Leary-McQuade – Guardian Angels, Corinna Kretschmann – St. Antoine Daniel, Natasha Mantulak – St. Marguerite d'Youville, Maryanne Franssen – St. Marguerite d'Youville, Christina Kell – St. Marguerite d'Youville, Shelley Maloney – St. Joan of Arc, Ronnie Letman – Holy Cross, and Matt McCann – St. Joseph's. Chair Jim Canning thank Reet Skelton and Simcoe Community Services and congratulated this year's award recipients.

3) **OMLTA Logo Contest Award**

The task was to create a logo that would be used for the Ontario Modern Language Teachers' Association (OMLTA) conference. Brian Beal, Executive Superintendent of Programme & Services, introduced Alexis Taylor of Notre Dame Catholic School, whose logo was chosen and used in OMLTA's annual conference promotion. Chair Jim Canning congratulated Alexis on her achievement.

Board Chair Jim Canning congratulated all of the award recipients and thanked their guests who came to support them and to celebrate their achievements with the Board.

4) **St. Bernard's Catholic School**

Allen Morrison, Manager of Capitol Projects, and Bob Laurin of the architectural firm McKnight Charron Laurin Inc., took trustees through a visual presentation of the new St. Bernard's Catholic School design. The design is a modification of the new St. Paul's Catholic School that is currently under construction in Alliston. A user group was established in January and completed their work in February. Modifications to the design include adopting the gym constructed at Saint Gabriel the Archangel Catholic School, moving special education to the second floor to better integrate with the student body, and an increase in the Early Learning Program (ELP) classrooms from 900 to 1200 square feet. Bob Laurin also discussed the possibility of incorporating geothermal technology and that test wells will determine the viability. Geothermal technology would ideally produce 100% of the energy to

run air conditioning and up to 50% of the energy required for heating. Ministry of Education approval would also be required. This will be a LEED silver level facility which will use LED lighting in public corridors, along with 60 % of the building being constructed of PCR block, which is a recycled block.

Demolition documents are currently being reviewed by staff and it is hoped to have demolition under way shortly.

Trustees were impressed with the design and glad that this school will centre the St. Bernard's Catholic community, and benefit the City of Orillia. Chair Jim Canning noted that the community has been patient and worked well with the Board during the pupil accommodation review process.

8. ACTION ITEMS

1) **Report 8.1) 11-2010: Georgian West Essa Base Borden Pupil Accommodation Review**

Recommendation # 01: That the Board approve the status quo for the building and communities for both St. Mary's Catholic School in Collingwood and St. Noel Chabanel Catholic School in Wasaga Beach, subject to a boundary review.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation # 02: That the Board approve the construction of an addition to replace the Prohibitive to Repair portion of the Our Lady of Grace Catholic School on the existing site, subject to available Ministry of Education capital funding.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation # 03: That the Board approve the closure of Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School once the Our Lady of Grace Catholic School addition is complete. Our Lady of the Assumption students to be accommodated in the newly renovated Our Lady of Grace Catholic School, subject to a boundary review and available Ministry of Education capital funding.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was not obtained for approval of the

Recommendation.

MOTION: 8.1 11-2010: #03

Moved by: Trustee Rick Maloney Seconded by: Trustee Connie Positano

RECORDED VOTE:

Board Member	Yeah	Ney
Canning	X	
Ferguson		X
Grisé	X	
Heran	X	
Maloney	X	
Riffert		X
Pinder		X
Positano	X	

Carried

Recommendation # 04: That the Board approve the closure of Prince of Peace Catholic School once the Our Lady of Grace Catholic School addition is complete. Prince of Peace students to be accommodated in the newly renovated Our Lady of Grace Catholic School, subject to available Ministry of Education capital funding.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was not obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

MOTION: 8.1) 11-2010: #04

Moved by: Trustee John Grisé Seconded by: Trustee Rick Maloney

RECORDED VOTE:

Board Member	Yeah	Ney
Canning	X	
Ferguson		X
Grisé	X	
Heran	X	
Maloney	X	
Riffert	X	
Pinder		X
Positano	X	

Carried

2) Report 8.2) 11-2010: General Contractor Pre-Qualification List

Recommendation: That the Board of Trustees approve Rutherford Contracting Ltd., Gormley, to the Major Pre-qualification lists of General Contractors for the period to November 30, 2011.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

3) Report 8.3) 11-2010: Extended Day Fee Approval

Recommendation: That the Board approve the following daily Extended Day Program Fees, plus applicable taxes for the 2010-2011 school year:

AM only - \$11.88;
PM only - \$17.81;
AM & PM - \$29.69.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation to Extend the Meeting

At 10:21 p.m. Chair Canning asked for Consensus of the Board of Trustees to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was not obtained for approval of the recommendation.

Recommendation to Postpone Agenda Items

Chair Canning asked for Consensus of the Board of Trustees to extract St. Bernard's Demolition and postpone all other agenda items until June 30th.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the recommendation.

4) Report 8.4) 11-2010: Photocopier Request for Proposal (RFP) Award
Postponed to June 30th meeting.

Recommendation: That the Board award its multifunctional/photocopier contract to Xerox Canada at a cost per copy of \$0.0111 in accordance with the RFP terms and conditions submitted and agreed by Xerox Canada.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

5) Board Policy Review Committee – Postponed to June 30th meeting
i) **Minutes – Meeting #04 – Wednesday, June 16, 2010**

Recommendation BD.POL 05-2010:

That the Board approve that Policy EP-01: Admission to Elementary Schools be revised so that section (d) reads:

“(d) If the child is a sibling of a student who is already in attendance in an elementary school of the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board then the sibling, upon written request from the parent or guardian, and at the discretion of the Director, may also be admitted to the same school provided the sibling lives in the same household.”

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation BD.POL 06-2010:

That the Board approve Policy LE-21 EQUITY AND INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, as presented.

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board (the “Board”) recognizes that all people are created equal, in the image of God, each with inimitable characteristics deserving of dignity (Genesis: 1:27). In accordance with the Church’s teachings, it is the policy of the Board to provide in all its operations an educational environment which supports and enables diversity within its Catholic community.

The Board recognizes that any form of social or cultural discrimination is incompatible with Catholic moral principles and is in violation of the Ontario Human Rights Code. The Board recognizes that the school system gives pre-eminence to the tenets of the Catholic faith, congruent with the protection afforded in the Ontario *Human Rights Code*, the *Constitution Act, 1982* and confirmed in the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.

The Board and its staff are committed to the elimination of discrimination as outlined in Ontario’s Equity and Inclusive Education Strategy and the Ontario Ministry of Education (the “Ministry”) Policy/Program Memorandum No. 119, in a manner which is consistent with the exercise of the Board’s denominational rights under section 93 of the *Constitution Act, 1982* and as recognized at section 19 of the Ontario *Human Rights Code*.

The Board endorses the following statement concerning inclusion in our schools:

**Inclusion is about relationships and belonging.
Inclusion is about the attitudes that we have and**

**demonstrate through our actions towards each other.
Inclusion is the responsibility of everyone.
Inclusion is rooted in the Gospel.**

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation BD.POL 07-2010:

That the Board approve that Policy Number GP-07 Purchasing be amended as follows:

“The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board will perform its procurement activities in an ethical, cost efficient, accountable and transparent manner consistent with current guidelines for the public sector in Ontario. Reducing the Board’s impact on the environment will be considered when goods and services are being procured.”

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

Recommendation BD.POL 08-2010:

That the Board approve that Board Policy Learning Environment – Policy Number LE-10 Violence Free Environment be deleted and replaced by Professional Standards – Policy Number PS-12:

Violence Free Workplace

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board promotes and supports a violence free workplace on all premises and for all activities of the Board. As a Catholic learning community, the Board is committed to providing a respectful, supportive, healthy and safe environment for all of its constituents, so they can learn and work together in a workplace free from violence and threats of violence. Any act of violence within the Board’s jurisdiction is unacceptable and will be dealt with accordingly.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

6) Report 8.6) 11-2010: St. Bernard’s Catholic School

Recommendation: That the Board approve the demolition of the existing St Bernard’s Catholic School in Orillia, in preparation for a September 2010 construction tender award and construction start.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained for approval of the Recommendation.

7) Report 8.7) 11-2010: 2010-2011 Budget – Postponed to June 30th

Recommendation: That the Board approve the 2010-11 Budget in the amount of \$237,766,826.

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS - Postponed to June 30th

1) Report 9.1) 11-2010: Joint Venture Recycling Program

2) Report 9.2) 11-2010: 2009-2010 OSSLT Results

10. ROUTINE

1) Approval of Minutes - Postponed to June 30th

i) Board Meeting #09 – Wednesday, May 26, 2010

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

ii) Special Board Meeting #10 – Wednesday, June 9, 2010

Consensus of the Board of Trustees is required for approval of the Recommendation.

11. TRUSTEE ENQUIRIES - Postponed to June 30th

Trustees have the opportunity to bring forward any enquiries regarding local or broader issues which may be of interest to the Board.

12. ITEMS OF INTEREST - Postponed to June 30th

An opportunity is provided for trustees to bring forward any items of interest, such as events or activities which may be of interest to the Board

13. CORRESPONDENCE

1) Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA):

a) May 26, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
New OCSTA Director for Region 4

b) May 27, 2010 – OCSTA
OCSTA Newswire

c) May 29, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
Director of Education Authors Unique Book for Operations Catholic Schools

- d) June 2, 2010 – Nancy Kirby, President – OCSTA
From the Desk of the President
- e) June 3, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
Catholic School Honours Mother of Fallen Soldier
- f) June 7, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
2010 Fall Regional Meetings
- g) June 9, 2010 – Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
Minister’s Advisory Council on Special Education (MACSE) Minutes – February 17, 2010
- h) June 10, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
Student Shares Meaningful Experience of Catholic Education
- i) June 11, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
Board Welcomes Next Generation
- j) June 20, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
 - 1) Provincial Discussions Table (PDT) re: Early Childhood Educators’ Compensation
 - 2) Mini Survey Request Re: ECE’s Local Negotiations and Recruitment
- k) June 20, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
Estimates 2010-2011
- l) June 11, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
Ministry of Education Expenditure Analysis – SMCDSB
- m) June 11, 2010 – OCSTA
2011 OCSTA AGM & Conference
- n) June 15, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
2011 OCSTA Event Sponsorship Recruitment Strategy
- o) June 16, 2010 – Carol Devine, Director – Legislative and Political Affairs
Updates – Regulations and Guidelines for Implementation of Full Day JK/K and Extended
Day Programs
- p) June 16, 2010 – Carol Devine, Director – Legislative and Political Affairs
Provincial Consultation Paper re: School Board Members Code of Conduct
- q) June 16, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
PDT re: Early Childhood Educators Compensation – Update and Teleconference
- r) June 16, 2010 – Kevin Kobus, Executive Director
Summer Hours
- s) June 17, 2010 - Sharon McMillan, Coordinator of Communications & Media Relations,
An Incredible Journey for Ontario Catholic School Students
- t) June 17, 2010 – OCSTA
Posting for Principal – Yukon Department of Education
- u) June 17, 2010 – OCSTA
Toonies for Tuition Day – October 5, 2010

- 2) May 31, 2010 – Michael O’Keefe, Director of Education and Glenn Clarke, Controller of Plant
Email – Discussion with DND on Georgian West PAR

14. MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 30, 2010	BOARD MEETING #12	7:30pm
Wednesday, September 8, 2010	SEAC	5:30pm
Wednesday, September 8, 2010	BOARD MEETING #13 with Mass	7:30pm
Wednesday, September 15, 2010	BOARD POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE #5	7:30pm

15. PRIVATE SESSION - Postponed to June 30th

16. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

17. NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting #12	Wednesday, June 30, 2010	7:30 p.m.
Agenda Deadline Date:	Wednesday, June 23, 2010	4:30 p.m.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Consensus of the Board of Trustees was obtained to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m..

19. CLOSING PRAYER –

The Closing prayer was led by Trustee Connie Positano.