



Minutes of the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board regular meeting held on April 26, 2011 at 7:01 p.m. p.m. in the Board Room, Board Office.

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**Present**

Chair:	Barbara McCool
Vice-Chair:	Shawn Fitzsimmons
Trustees:	Jacques Bégin, Linda Jamieson, Judy Manitowabi, Frank O'Hagan, John Willemsen
Director of Education:	Anna Marie Bitonti
Superintendent(s) of Education:	Joanne Bénard Paula Mann
Superintendent of Business/Treasurer:	Grace Barnhardt
Recording Secretary:	Joanne Bénard
Chaplain:	Monsignor Norm Clement
Student Trustee:	Laura Paige
Communications Officer:	Josée Guillemette
Media :	Nil
Other :	Dukes of Edinburgh: Andy Hazelwood, Mitchell Rogerson

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

J. Manitowabi led the prayer and B. McCool called the meeting to order.

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**2.1 Regular meeting of March 29, 2011**

Res. NPS 56-11

Moved by trustees J. Manitowabi and L. Jamieson that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board approve as amended the agenda of its regular meeting of April 26, 2011

**CARRIED**

The following agenda items/documentation were amended or added:

**6. BOARD EDUCATION**

6.1 Coaching Report, March 29, 2011 (documentation)

**8. LINKAGE WITH NON-OWNERS**

8.3 Letter from Windsor Catholic District School Board re:  
**OCSTA Resolution 22-11 Transparency**

**10. MONITORING REPORTS**

10.1 – Dukes of Edinburgh Presentation – moved to follow agenda item 4 on the agenda

10.2 E1 – Ends - #4 (documentation)

**12. INCIDENTAL INFORMATION**

**12.3 Student Trustee Report**

**12.4 Other Information Items**

a) Committee Reports

ii) Audit Committee, meeting of **March 28, 2011**

b) Other

vii) Nugget photo – **All Natural: Students mark Earth Hour** featuring Corpus Christi School (2011 04 1)

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- xiii) *for Arctic adventure – featuring a student from SJSH (2011 04 12)*  
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- xiv) Nugget article and photo – **Earth Day: Equipment will be shipped to Orillia for recycling - “Outdated’ e-waste collected** (2011 04 19)
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- xvi) Nugget photo – Family Enrichment Program celebrating 30 years (2011 04 23)
- xvii) Nugget article – **Enviro-Festival – St. Joseph Scollard Hall hosting Ontario Teacher’s Federation and Focus Environment Film Festival Series** (2011 04 23)

2.2 Meeting Monitor and Review

The Meeting Monitor's Report from the March 29, 2011 Board meeting prepared by L. Jamieson was reviewed.

3. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4.1 Regular meeting of March 29, 2011

Res. NPS 57-11

Moved by trustees J. Manitowabi and L. Jamieson that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board approve as amended the minutes of its regular meeting held on March 29, 2011, as follows:

In item 11.1, replace the reference to “EL1” with “BTSL1”.

CARRIED

Res. NPS 58-11

Moved by trustees J. Bégin and J. Manitowabi that the regular meeting of the Board now go into the in-camera session of the meeting.

CARRIED

## **10.0 MONITORING REPORTS**

### **10.1 Dukes of Edinburgh Presentation (Information/evidence for future Ends monitoring)**

A presentation was made by Dukes of Edinburgh representatives, Andy Hazelwood and Mitchell Rogerson on their work in Costa Rica as well as other work endeavours.

## **5. OWNERSHIP LINKAGE**

### **5.1 Feedback from Ownership Linkage Session – April 7, 2011**

Feedback from the April 7, 2011 Linkage Session with Canadore College was very positive. A Linkage Session with Nipissing University is being coordinated and will be postponed to the Fall 2011.

### **5.2 Chair's Report on recent linkage activities**

B. McCool provided a verbal report on the recent linkage activities and community and Board-level events attended.

### **5.3 Catholic Education Week – Parish messages/greetings**

Parish messages/greetings for trustees to speak at the weekend masses were coordinated. J. Guillemette will follow-up with confirmation for F. O'Hagan and S. Fitzsimmons.

## **6. BOARD EDUCATION**

### **6.1 Coaching Reports**

The March 29, 2011 Coaching Report was reviewed and discussed.

### **6.2 Trustee Professional Development – Keeping the Promise – Step 2 (Information)**

Information on the upcoming OCSTA seminar *Catholic School Governance: Keeping the Promise – The Board as Policy Maker (Module 7)* was provided. Further information will be provided at the AGM.

## **7. ITEMS FOR DECISION**

### **7.1 Ends**

## 7.2 Governance Process

### a) Review of Policy GP4 – Role of Student Trustee

Res. NPS 61-11

Moved by trustees F. O'Hagan and S. Fitzsimmons that the Board approve the revision to Board Governance policy **GP4 - Role of the Student Trustee** as per attached Option A.

CARRIED

### b) GP5 – Agenda Planning – Review of Inclusion on Board Agenda Process

B. McCool reminded Board of Trustees of the process to be followed to have items added to the Board meeting agenda.

## 8. LINKAGE WITH NON-OWNERS

### 8.1 OCSTA/CCSTA Resolutions

#### a) Status Report – AGM 2011 04 29 (Information)

The status of the OCSTA AGM resolutions was provided as information.

### 8.2 OCSTA 2011 Spring Regional Meetings

In response to the OCSTA's request for feedback the three key topics to be discussed at the AGM on April 29<sup>th</sup> were discussed:

1. Implementation of Ontario's Equity and Inclusive Education Policy
2. Best Practices in Strengthening the School/Parish Relationship
3. Bill 177 issue: How are trustees responding to and addressing the new board responsibility for student achievement?

A summary of the discussion items will be prepared by A.M. Bitonti and distributed to Trustees prior to the OCSTA AGM for input at the Regional Meeting sessions.

### 8.3 Letter from Windsor Catholic District School Board re: OCSTA Resolution 22-11 Transparency

OCSTA resolution 22-11 was reviewed.

## 9. REQUIRED APPROVALS AGENDA

## 10. MONITORING REPORTS

### 10.1 Dukes of Edinburgh Presentation

This item was moved to follow agenda item #4.

### 10.2 E1 – Ends - #4

Res. NPS 62-11

Moved by trustees F. O'Hagan and J. Willemsen that the Board has assessed the monitoring report for policy **E1 – Ends - #4** and finds it provides evidence of compliance with a reasonable interpretation of the policy.

CARRIED

### 10.3 Follow-up to EL4 – Q2 – monitoring questions (verbal)

G. Barnhardt provided an explanation of the increase in the over 90 day balance of accounts receivable compared to last year, as a follow-up to the question on the monitoring report for policy EL4 (Q2) Financial Condition and Activities, provision #7 from last month. It was also reported that these amounts have since been received.

## 11. BOARD SELF-EVALUATION

### 11.1 GP10 – Ownership Linkage

The self-evaluation for Policy GP10 was completed (attached). A re-wording of the policy (#3 a) was recommended for clarity, and will be considered as part of the policy review process.

### 11.2 Meeting Monitor's Report

The Meeting Monitor's Report was completed by J. Manitowabi (attached).

## 12. INCIDENTAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Director's report on information requested in EL-8

A.M. Bitonti addressed the trustees on the following:

#### a) Grants for Student Needs (GSNs) 2011-12

A.M. Bitonti provided the following memorandums to the Board:

- GSN Highlights (March 31, 2011)
- 2011-12 Funding in addition to Grants for Student Needs (March 31, 2011)

- b) Revision to Community Involvement, S3.1.3, Ontario Secondary Schools, Grades 9 – 12, Program and Diploma Requirements, 1999 (OSS)

A.M. Bitonti shared an update on revisions to the Secondary School diploma requirements.

- c) Full-Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program – Planning for 2013-14 (Year 4) and 2014-15 (Year 5)

A.M. Bitonti shared memorandum *Full-Day Early Learning Program – Planning for 2013-14 (Year 3) and 2014-15 (Year 4) – (April 5, 2011)* with the Board. Currently the tentative Year 4 schools include St. Luke and St. Alexander Schools.

## 12.2 Director's Report

- a) Catholic Education Week Schedule

A schedule of activities in the schools during Catholic Education Week was provided.

## 12.3 Student Trustee Report

The following information was provided by student trustee, Laura Paige:

### Events that have occurred this month

#### 1. Sears Festival

- Week of April 18<sup>th</sup>
- Going to Kirkland Lake for the next level in performance-April 26<sup>th</sup> – May 1<sup>st</sup>

#### 2. Grade 12 Math Contest

- April 12<sup>th</sup>

#### 3. Badminton

- NDA – April 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>
- NOSSA – April 29<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup>

#### 4. Bears Who Care

- Egg Counting Contest – April 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>
- Money to Costa Rica

#### 5. "Explore the Trades" – North Bay Mall

- Iron Chef and Hairstyling Competition
- April 18<sup>th</sup>

#### 6. Junior Boys Hockey

- NDA tournament
- April 18<sup>th</sup>

**7. Smart Risk Presentations**

- 700 Faces
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>

**8. Bears Music-Kiwanis**

- Grade 9 Band, Concert Band, Jazz Band, and Drumline
- April 19<sup>th</sup>

**9. Student Elections (SAC)**

- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>

**Current Activities**

**1. Battery Drive**

- On going collection in Period 3

**2. Archery**

- On going normal games

**3. Environment Week**

- Variety of environment conscious presentations
- April 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>

**4. Boys and Girls Soccer**

- April 27<sup>th</sup> at SJSH
- April 28<sup>th</sup> at SJSH

**5. Student Vote**

- April 28<sup>th</sup>

**6. Track and Field**

- Midland Track and Field meet
- April 28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>

**7. Grade 12 Retreat**

- Boys- May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Girls- May 18<sup>th</sup>

**8. Family Mass and Luncheon**

- May 6<sup>th</sup>

**9. Moga**

- May 20<sup>th</sup>

**10. Pow-Wow**

- May 26<sup>th</sup>

## 12.4 Other Information Items

### a) Committee Reports

- i) Special Education Advisory committee, meeting of April 6, 2011
- ii) Audit Committee, meeting of March 28, 2011

### b) Other

- i) Nugget photo/article – **Bears aim high at OFSAA** (2011 03 21)
- ii) Nugget – Canadian Tire Junior Citizenship Winner – St. Theresa School (2011 03 28)
- iii) Note of thanks for donation from Packsac Smiles organization (2011 04)
- iv) Nugget – Canadian Tire Junior Citizenship Winner – St. Gregory School (2011 04 04)
- v) BayToday article – **Area students are logging on for help with homework** (2011 04 05)
- vi) BayToday article – **Wildcats, Bears and Barons shine at Sears Drama Festival Update** (2011 05 10)
- vii) BayToday article – **Pack up a bag the Bears' annual spring Food Drive goes Wednesday** (2011 04 11)  
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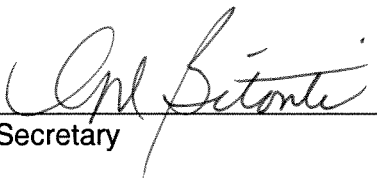
**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Res. NPS 63-11

Moved by trustees F.O’Hagan and J. Willemsen that the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board now adjourn its regular meeting at 9:45 p.m.

CARRIED

Moved and adopted this 31st day of May 2011

  
Secretary

  
Chair