



Wellington Catholic
District School Board

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 7, 2008 - 7:30 p.m. - Wellington County Council Chambers

Attendance

Trustees: C. Chornoboy, V.F. Dupuis, J.J. Furfaro, M.L. Gazzola, G.J. Horrigan, H. Iacocca, Rev. D.J. Noon, S.P. Redmond, A. Savill

Administration: P. Dawson, D. DiBartolomeo, D. Drone, D. Duszczyszyn, T. McLennan, A. McKechnie, M. McPhee

Recording Secretary: D. Karkut

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. The opening prayer was led by V.F. Dupuis.
2. The attendance was recorded.
3. **Announcement of Additional Items**
D. Drone – Additional items under Administrative Council Reports.
4. **Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by S.P. Redmond – M.L. Gazzola that the Agenda with the additional item be adopted.
Carried.
5. **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**
There were no declarations of conflict of interest.
6. **Confirmation of Minutes**
6.1 Moved by J.J.Furfaro – V.F. Dupuis that the minutes of the meeting of March 3, 2008 be approved. Carried.

B. DELEGATIONS/SUBMISSIONS/EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. VIP Presentations were made to Hannah Hargreaves, St. Joseph Catholic School, Fergus, and Emmott McFadden, St. Mary Catholic School, Elora.

D.J. Noon thanked the recipients and their families for their efforts.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Field Trips were noted.
One additional trip, Holy Trinity trip to Ottawa on May 12-14, was added to the list of field trips.
2. Student Trustee Report – C. Chornoboy, H. Iacocca and A. Savill each provided a summary from their respective schools, highlighting the activities at each site.

3. Director's Items:
 - 3.1 D. Drone requested a change in the date of the June Board meeting. It is currently scheduled for June 2; we are requesting that this meeting be moved to June 9. At this meeting, it has been customary to honour staff/students who have received national/provincial recognition. Trustees were in agreement.
 - 3.2 A Board ad regarding Open Access appears in SNAP publication this month. Each trustee has received a copy of this paper.
 - 3.3 Applause Breakfast – please send your RSVP to Diana for the next breakfast on April 22.
 - 3.4 Staff/Volunteer Recognition Night will be held on May 12 at River Run. Bishop Ustrzycki has been invited to attend and to be recognized for his contributions to Catholic Education.
 - 3.5 The next meeting of the Catholic School Councils' Executives is on Thursday, April 10 at St. Joseph School in Fergus.
 - 3.6 Catholic Education Week theme is "We Are Called." If any trustees are available to read a prepared script at Masses over the weekend of April 26 and 27, please let Diana know.

Trustees agreed to take a 5 minute break.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Action Items from In-Camera Meetings

Moved by S.P. Redmond – J.J. Furfaro that the Board approve actions taken In-Camera. **Carried.**

2. Committee Reports

2.1 *Policy and Program Committee* – March 17/08

M.L. Gazzola reported on the meeting of Policy and Program Committee.

Moved by M.L. Gazzola- G.J. Horrigan that the Board receive the report of Policy and Program Committee. **Carried.**

2.2 *Planning and Operations Committee* – March 25/08

J.J. Furfaro reported on the meeting of the Planning and Operations Committee.

Moved by J.J. Furfaro – M.L. Gazzola that the Board receive the report of Planning and Operations Committee. **Carried.**

2.3 *SEAC* – March 26/08

J.J. Furfaro reported on the meeting of SEAC.

Moved by J.J. Furfaro – V.F. Dupuis that the Board receive the report of SEAC. **Carried.**

3. *Operations Report*

- 3.1 GSN Report – D. Duszczyszyn and T. McLennan presented an overview of the recent funding announcements. Handouts were provided for trustees and administration. Some revision to the schedule of Board and Committee meetings in May and June were suggested and will be forwarded to trustees and administration within the week.

4. *Program Report*

D. DiBartolomeo provided a final revised school year calendar for 2008-09. The only change is a date change for the Spiritual Development Day. The date has been moved from September 26 to September 29.

Moved by M.L. Gazzola – G.J. Horrigan that the Board approve the 2008-09 School Year Calendar as presented. **Carried.**

P. Dawson provided “Program Highlights.”

E. ***NEW BUSINESS***

1. Notice of Motion - None

F. ***INFORMATION AND REPORTS***

1. **WCDSB Correspondence**
For Information

- 1.1 Mass cards and condolences sent were noted.
1.2 Cards of thanks received were noted.

G. ***QUESTION PERIOD***

H. ***FUTURE BUSINESS***

Future meetings were noted.

Applause Breakfast - April 22, 7:45 a.m. @ ICC

OCSTA AGM – April 24-26, Niagara Falls

Catholic Education Week – April 27 – May 4

Catholic School Councils’ Executives Meeting – April 10, St. Joseph, Fergus @ 7:00 p.m.

It was noted that Eric Roher will be making a Safe Schools presentation to Catholic School Councils on April 16 at Bishop Macdonell Catholic High School.

The document, “Physical Punishment on Children & Youth will be brought to a Policy/Program meeting by M.L. Gazzola. He will provide the website to all trustees by e-mail.

D. Drone indicated that he and the Catholic Directors of Education in Hamilton Diocese had met with Bishop Tonnos on March 28. The Bishop will be providing a Pastoral Letter on Catholic Education.

D. Drone has forwarded a letter of thanks on behalf of the Board to the CEO of Linamar for the financial contributions made towards the purchase of the MRI at the Guelph General Hospital.

I. ***ADJOURNMENT***

Moved by J.J. Furfaro – M.L. Gazzola that the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 p.m. **Carried.**

Rev. Dennis J. Noon
Chairperson

Don Drone
Director of Education and Secretary

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