NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on October 18, 2023 at the Catholic Education Center.

PRESENT:

Trustees:

Paula Del Guidice

Martin Drainville Elizabeth King Colleen Landers Denis Lincez

Steve Malciw Fred Salvador Glenn Sheculski Stan Skalecki

Student Trustees:

Elena Lionello

Sahayma Omenye

Administration:

Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education t/c Jennifer Dunkley, Superintendent of Education

Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

Staff:

Michele Mahaffy, Executive Assistant and Recorder

Regrets:

Nil

Guests:

Nil

A CALL TO ORDER

Land Acknowledgment and Opening Prayer

Chair Sheculski recited the land acknowledgment and led the group in opening prayer.

B ROLL CALL

Motion

MOVED BY:

SECONDED BY:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board receive the following declaration of absence and excuse the following trustees and administrative personnel from attending this meeting: All present, no motion required.

C DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

D APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

MOVED BY:

P. Del Guidice

Resolution 23-87

SECONDED BY:

F. Salvador

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adopt the agenda for the Public Board Meeting, as presented.

Carried

E APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

MOVED BY:

D. Lincez

Resolution 23-88

SECONDED BY:

C. Landers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the following minutes as presented:

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Carried

F DELEGATIONS - Nil

G POLICY

G.1 B-15 Advertising

Motion

MOVED BY:

E. King

Resolution 23-89

SECONDED BY:

S. Malciw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *B-15* Advertising at second and third reading.

Carried

G.2 E-18 Community Involvement and Christian Service

Motion

MOVED BY:

D. Lincez

Resolution 23-90

SECONDED BY:

S. Skalecki

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy $\emph{E-18}$ Community Involvement and Christian Service at second and third reading.

Carried

G.3 I-6 Hand Held (Mobile) Wireless Communication Device

Motion

MOVED BY:

P. Del Guidice

Resolution 23-91

SECONDED BY:

F. Salvador

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *I-6 Hand Held (Mobile) Wireless Communication Device* at second and third reading.

Carried

G.4 T-11 Replacement of a Trustee

Motion

MOVED BY:

C. Landers

Resolution 23-92

SECONDED BY:

S. Malciw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy T-11 Replacement of a Trustee at second and third reading.

Carried

H PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

H.1 Presentations

H.1.1 School of the Month: St. Patrick School, Cobalt – Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

Director Weltz shared this month's submission from St. Patrick Catholic School in Cobalt. The video presentation included every student and highlighted what students enjoy about the school, the multitude of things St. Pat's has to offer and a few ideas of what they would like to see to improve their school.

The Chair thanked the school for their submission.

H.1.2 The Aussie Experience – Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education

This past summer, Superintendent Brumwell travelled to Australia to spend time with Jo-Anne Dooner, a leading literacy consultant with Training 24/7.

D. Brumwell highlighted a number of things she observed and learned while visiting a number of schools including, working conditions, timetables, and student and staff expectations and compared these aspects with those of the NCDSB. Writing was another large focus of the presentation and one of the main factors in working with this consultant. She shared her greatest take-aways from the experience and outlined next steps for the NCDSB.

Trustees engaged in conversation with the presenter. The Chair thanked the presenter for sharing her experience.

H.2 Reports

- H.2.1 <u>Student Trustees</u> Monthly Student Report, Elena Lionello and Sahayma Omenye The student trustees jointly presented their monthly student report which included the following:
 - School Activities: Thanksgiving Mass, Breast Cancer Awareness Month
 - Extracurriculars: Boys' Soccer, OFSAA Golf, Girls' Basketball and the Art
 - Link Events: Camp Bickell with NCDSB Grade 6's
 - Student and Staff Interviews: What do you like about OHS? How are things going so far?
- H.2.2 <u>Audit Committee</u> September 25, 2023 Meeting Update and June 5, 2023 Minutes

Chair Sheculski provided an update on the September meeting. This included the Multi-Year Internal Audit Plan, which will focus on technology, student attendance and all areas of Human Resources over the next two years, and the Audit Planning Report for the year ending August 31, 2023.

- H.2.3 Indigenous Advisory Committee Nil
- H.2.4 Special Education Advisory Committee October 18, 2023 Meeting Update and September 20, 2023 Minutes

Trustee Skalecki referred to the September Minutes included in the *Board Package*. He shared a few items in regards to the October meeting including a mental health presentation by Kim McEntee and an introduction to the NCDSB's Multi Year Strategic Plan.

D. Brumwell was asked for an update on committee membership and attendance. She replied that the committee had quorum for the day's meeting and they will continue to work on membership and attendance moving forward.

- H.2.5 Supervised Alternative Learning Nil
- H.2.6 Student Discipline Nil

- H.2.7 <u>Transportation Committee</u> Nil
- H.2.8 Program Nil
- H.2.9 <u>Business</u> Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

H.2.9.1 Personnel Report

Superintendent Scott referred to item #10 in the *Board Package*. This month's report included 8 new hires, one change in FTE and 3 resignations including the upcoming December retirement of Lori Hurtubise, Principal at St. Patrick School in Cobalt

Superintendent Dunkley recognized retiring Principal Lori Hurtubise. She praised Lori's knowledge, helpfulness and advocacy for her school community. The presenter wished Lori all the best as she embarks on her well-deserved retirement.

H.2.10 <u>Director of Education</u> – Childcare Expansion Project, Tricia Stefanic Weltz Director Weltz presented her report, item 11 in the *Board Package*. She shared that Minister of Education Stephen Lecce and MPP George Pirie were present for the ground-breaking ceremony for the childcare expansion project at St. Joseph School on October 10, 2023. The short service was attended by a number of stakeholders as well.

She reminded the Board that the project was first approved in 2018 however, due to unforeseen circumstances like the pandemic and rising construction costs, it was only this past summer that funding changes were approved and the capital project could proceed. Estimated time to completion is 12-16 months.

Trustees engaged in a question and answer period with the presenter.

H.2.11 <u>Chair/Trustees</u> – OCSTA AGM Resolutions, Glenn Sheculski, Chair of the Board Chair Sheculski referred to the *Resolutions Information Package* that should have been received by all trustees by email from the OCSTA and was included in the *Board Package*.

He asked if there were any resolutions from this Board. There were none.

- I MOTIONS Nil
- J COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion

MOVED BY:

S. Skalecki

Resolution 23-93

SECONDED BY: C. Landers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board accept the report of the Committee of the Whole Board and all recommendations contained therein.

Carried

- K UNFINISHED BUSINESS Nil
- L <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> Nil
- M NEW BUSINESS Nil
- N INFORMATION Nil
- O FUTURE MEETINGS

Annual Board Meeting - November 15, 2023 at 4:45 p.m.

P ADJOURNMENT

Motion

MOVED BY:

M. Drainville

Resolution 23-94

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

Carried

Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting

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Secretary-Treasurer