

Northeastern Catholic District School Board

Minutes of the Inaugural Public Board Meeting held on Saturday, December 18, 2004 at the Catholic Education Centre in Timmins at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Trustees: Martin Drainville
Peter Del Guidice
Brenda Hevenor
Paul Keating
Elizabeth King
Colleen Landers
Steve Malciw
Jack Slattery

Administration: Paul Toffanello, Director of Education
Linda Stewart, Program Supervisor
Luigina Malciw, Manager of Financial Services
Mike Resetar, Manager of Human Resources
Bob Landry, Manager of Plant
Melanie Bidal-Mainville, Communications Officer

Staff: Janice Viskovich, Executive Assistant and Recorder

Student Trustee: Kelly-Ann Salvador, Student Trustee

Guests: Louis Clausi, Teacher; Sarah Deeth, Reporter, The Daily Press

A. CALL TO ORDER

Director of Education, Paul Toffanello, welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Director led everyone in prayer, with special intentions for Fr. Scully, Fr. Des and Bill Deluca.

B. ROLL CALL

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board receive the following declarations of absence and excuse the following trustees and administrative personnel from attending this meeting: Nil

C. PROCESS AND PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCT OF MEETING

This document was provided to trustees in their package and briefly outlined.

D. NOMINATION OF SCRUTINEERS

It was indicated that Mike Resetar, Manager of Human Resources and Bob Landry, Manager of Plant, were assigned as Scrutineers should the need arise.

E. ELECTION OF CHAIR

Paul Toffanello, Director of Education, opened the nomination process.

1st Call for Nominations

Elizabeth King nominated Colleen Landers as Chair of the Board.
Peter Del Guidice seconded the nomination.

2nd Call for Nominations - Nil

3rd Call for Nominations - Nil

Paul Toffanello, Director of Education, declared the nominations closed and declared Colleen Landers Chair of the Board for the period from December, 2004 to December, 2005.

Motion

Resolution 04-259

MOVED BY: B. Hevenor
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board appoint Colleen Landers as Chair of the Board for the period from December, 2004 to December, 2005.

CARRIED

F. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR

Paul Toffanello, Director of Education, opened the nomination process.

1st Call for Nominations

Steve Malciw nominated Elizabeth King as Vice-Chair of the Board.
Colleen Landers seconded the nomination.

2nd Call for Nominations - Nil

3rd Call for Nominations - Nil

Paul Toffanello, Director of Education, declared the nominations closed and declared Elizabeth King Vice-Chair of the Board for the period from December, 2004 to December, 2005.

Motion

Resolution 04-260

MOVED BY: B. Hevenor
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board appoint Elizabeth King as Vice-Chair of the Board for the period from December, 2004 to December, 2004.

CARRIED

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Resolution 04-261

MOVED BY: P. Keating
SECONDED BY: J. Slattery

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

-Public Board Meeting, held November 27, 2004.

I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

I.1 Business and Finance - Luigina Malciw

1.1.2 Report

Motion

Resolution 04-262

MOVED BY: P. Del Guidice
SECONDED BY: B. Hevenor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adopt the Manager of Financial Services' Report.

CARRIED

**1.1.2 Cheque Register, Payroll and Monthly Expenditures
- for the month of November 2004**

Motion

Resolution 04-263

MOVED BY: S. Malciw
SECONDED BY: B. Hevenor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the disbursements in the amount of two million forty three thousand thirty eight dollars and seventy six cents (\$2,043,038.76) in reference to the cheque register for the month of November 2004.

CARRIED

Motion

Resolution 04-264

MOVED BY: M. Drainville
SECONDED BY: B. Hevenor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the disbursements in the amount of three million six hundred and twenty four one hundred sixty two dollars and fifty seven cents (\$3,624,162.57) in reference to the disbursements for payroll for the month of November 2004.

CARRIED

I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS (contd.)

I.1 Business and Finance - Luigina Malciw (contd.)

I.1.3 Bank Account Signatures

Motion

Resolution 04-265

MOVED BY: J. Slattery
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the bank account signatures via computerized signature, effective December 18, 2004, consisting of two of the following: Chair of the Board, Vice-Chair of the Board, Paul Toffanello, Director of Education, and Luigina Malciw, Manager of Financial Services.

CARRIED

I.1.4 Line of Credit

Motion

Resolution 04-266

MOVED BY: B. Hevenor
SECONDED BY: E. King

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board establish a line of credit at the Royal Bank of Canada in the amount of three million dollars (\$3,000,000).

CARRIED

I.1.5 Budget Deficit or Surplus

Motion

Resolution 04-267

MOVED BY: E. King
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve that any budget deficit or surplus be taken from or transferred to appropriate reserve funds.

CARRIED

I.1.6 Revised Budget Estimates

Motion

Resolution 04-268

MOVED BY: E. King
SECONDED BY: B. Hevenor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the revised budget estimates for 2004-2005.

I. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS (contd.)

I.1 Business and Finance - Luigina Malciw (contd.)

1.1.7 Financials 2003-2004

Motion

Resolution 04-269

MOVED BY: P. Keating
SECONDED BY: J. Slattery

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the 2003-2004 Financials as presented.

CARRIED

J. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion

Resolution 04-270

MOVED BY: P. Keating
SECONDED BY: J. Slattery

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

CARRIED

K. DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2004

Motion

Resolution 04-271

MOVED BY: S. Malciw
SECONDED BY: J. Slattery

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board receive the Director's Annual Report 2004, as presented.

CARRIED

L. CORRESPONDENCE

L.1 Pupil Accommodation Grant Letter

Motion

Resolution 04-272

MOVED BY: J. Slattery
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

Whereas, the Ministry of Education has made student achievement and closing the gap priorities;
Whereas, the literacy and graduation rates in Northern Ontario are below other parts of Ontario;

L. CORRESPONDENCE - continued

Whereas, the functional size of most schools in Northern Ontario are too small to deliver program equitably;

Whereas, research clearly demonstrates the cost of construction is significantly higher in Northern Ontario (in the range of approximately 180 to 200 dollars per square foot).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board requests the Minister of Education review the new pupil accommodation funding formula with a specific view to the lack of equity for Northern Ontario Boards due to the unique circumstances concerning geography, sever declining enrolment, and the extremely high building/renovation costs in the north.

CARRIED

L.1.2 Thank-you letters - Aileen Wright School - circulated

L.1.3 Support For Transparency and Stability

Letter from Kevin Kobus, Assistant Deputy Minister in Board package.

M. NEW BUSINESS

M.11 Board Committee Structure

Motion

Resolution 04-273

MOVED BY: S. Malciw
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the 2005 Committee Structure, as presented.

CARRIED

N. FUTURE MEETINGS

L.1 Board Meetings Schedule 2005

Motion

Resolution 04-274

MOVED BY: M. Drainville
SECONDED BY: P. Keating

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the Board Meetings Schedule 2005, as amended.

CARRIED

O. OCSTA

Motion

Resolution 04-275

MOVED BY: J. Slattery
SECONDED BY: P. Keating

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board nominate Peter Del Guidice for the position of Director of OCSTA for the period April 2005 to April 2007

This nomination was signed and faxed to OCSTA.

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Resolution 04-276

MOVED BY: J. Slattery
SECONDED BY: P. Keating

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

CARRIED

Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting

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(N.C.D.S.B.)**

Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer