## NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on February 21, 2024 at the Catholic Education Center.

PRESENT:

**Trustees:** 

Paula Del Guidice

Martin Drainville t/c Colleen Landers Denis Lincez t/c Steve Malciw Fred Salvador Glenn Sheculski

Stan Skalecki

**Student Trustees:** 

Sahayma Omenye

**Administration:** 

Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education
Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education
Jennifer Dunkley, Superintendent of Education

Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

Staff:

Michele Mahaffy, Executive Assistant and Recorder

**Guests:** 

Nil

**REGRETS:** 

Elizabeth King, Trustee

Elena Lionello, Student Trustee

### A CALL TO ORDER

## **Territorial Acknowledgment and Opening Prayer**

Trustee Skalecki delivered the territorial acknowledgment and Chair Sheculski led the group in opening prayer.

## B ROLL CALL

<u>Motion</u>

MOVED BY:

F. Salvador

Resolution 24-12

SECONDED BY:

C. Landers

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: Elizabeth King and Elena Lionello

Carried

### C DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Nil

### **D** APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion** 

MOVED BY:

S. Skalecki

**Resolution 24-13** 

SECONDED BY:

P. Del Guidice

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:

M. Drainville

**Resolution 24-14** 

SECONDED BY:

C. Landers

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

Public Board Meeting - January 24, 2024

Carried

### F <u>DELEGATIONS</u> – Nil

#### **G POLICY**

### 5.1 E-12 Student Attendance

Motion

MOVED BY:

S. Malciw

**Resolution 24-15** 

SECONDED BY:

P. Del Guidice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-12* Student Attendance at second and third reading.

**Carried** 

### **G.2** <u>E-23 Emergency Preparedness</u>

Motion

MOVED BY:

M. Drainville

**Resolution 24-16** 

SECONDED BY:

C. Landers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-23 Emergency Preparedness* at second and third reading.

**Carried** 

Before moving to the next policy, Director Weltz shared consultation feedback received on policy E-35. Subsequently, an amendment to provision 2.0 was made to include the Moosonee area and the following second and third reading refer to the amended policy as indicated in the *Board Package*.

## G.3 <u>E-35 Inclement Weather</u>

**Motion** 

MOVED BY:

C. Landers

**Resolution 24-17** 

SECONDED BY:

P. Del Guidice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy E-35 Inclement Weather at second and third reading.

Carried

## G.4 <u>E-36 Emergency School Closure</u>

<u>Motion</u>

MOVED BY:

S. Malciw

**Resolution 24-18** 

SECONDED BY:

F. Salvador

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-36 Emergency School Closure* at second and third reading.

### **Carried**

Before proceeding to the next policy, Director Weltz shared consultation feedback received on this policy. No changes were made to the policy F-6 going to second and third reading.

### G.5 <u>F-6 Teacherages - Moosonee</u>

### **Motion**

MOVED BY:

S. Malciw

**Resolution 24-19** 

SECONDED BY:

P. Del Guidice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *F-6 Teacherages - Moosonee* at second and third reading.

Carried

#### G.6 P-8 Progressive Discipline

### Motion

MOVED BY:

F. Salvador

**Resolution 24-20** 

SECONDED BY:

C. Landers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-8 Progressive Discipline* at second and third reading.

Carried

## H PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

### **H.1** Presentations

**H.1.1 School of the Month: O'Gorman Intermediate Catholic School** – Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

Director Weltz introduced O'Gorman Intermediate (OICS) as *School of the Month* and shared the school's audio-visual submission. A group of four senior students narrated their slide show presentation capturing the memories and opportunities they have shared with fellow students and staff at OICS over the last few years. These opportunities included academic, cultural, athletic, community and faith-based events. The Chair thanked the school for their submission.

H.1.2 School Community Projects – Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

As part of the Board's commitment to fostering the feeling of belonging, the NCDSB has developed a community partnership project where monies from the community relations budget will help schools fund small events. Director Weltz, in a slideshow presentation, shared that these events will take place outside of regular school hours and targets participation by students, families, staff and sometimes the community at large during the months of February and March.

The presentation included information on how this aligns with both NCDSB's Multi-Year Strategic Plan and Pastoral Plan.

### H.2 Reports

H.2.1 <u>Student Trustees</u> – Monthly Student Report, Elena Lionello and Sahayma Omenye Student Trustee Sahayma Omenye presented the monthly student report. The report included information on the following:

- School Activities: Black History Month, Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday, and Valentine's Day
- Extracurriculars: Girls' volleyball, Boys' basketball, cross-country skiing, Girls' hockey and a fond farewell to retiring coach Mr. Gauvin
- Students and staff wished teacher Dan Loreto a heartfelt good-bye as he retired from teaching at the end of January.

## H.2.2 Audit Committee - Nil

### **H.2.3** Indigenous Advisory Committee - Nil

**H.2.4** Special Education Advisory Committee – February 21, 2024 Meeting Update and January 24, 2024 Minutes.

Trustee Landers updated trustees on the items addressed at the February 21, 2024 meeting. She shared the participation of a few new community groups and an informative meeting. She reported two great presentations at this month's session, Oral Communication and IEP Audit. The presenter thanked Board staff for their hard work in maintaining this important committee.

### **H.2.5** Supervised Alternative Learning – Nil

### H.2.6 Student Discipline - Nil

## H.2.7 <u>Transportation Committee</u> – February 15, 2024 Meeting Update

Director Weltz referred to the transportation meeting notes of absent Trustee King contained in the *Board Package*. Trustee Salvador spoke to a few of the items which included updates on wi-fi units, driver shortage, M Transport and budget. Chair Sheculski shared information in regards to the request that the fourth school board join the consortium. The board has declined the invitation but have offered to engage in conversation surrounding possible aid in some circumstances.

### H.2.8 Program

**H.2.8.1 Kindergarten Registration** – Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education

Superintendent Brumwell reviewed the 2024-2025 kindergarten enrolment information contained in her report, item 18 in the *Board Package*. She reported promising numbers and shared that a full report of school activities around kindergarten registration will be shared in the near future.

## **H.2.9** Business – Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

## **H.2.9.1** Personnel Report

Superintendent Scott reported one new hire, two resignations, two June retirements and one leave of absence.

Superintendent Dunkley recognized teacher Sandra Ciraco who is retiring at the end of June. J. Dunkley thanked Sandy for her 19 years of dedication to the NCDSB and wished her all the best in her retirement.

J. Dunkley also recognized retiring OHS teacher Doug Basso. Doug will also be leaving the NCDSB in June. She thanked his endless commitment and dedication to many aspects of life at OHS and wished him all the best in his retirement.

### **H.2.10 Director of Education**

### H.2.10.1 2024-2025 School Year Calendars

Director Weltz referred to her report on the 2024-2025 School Year calendars. Three calendars, elementary, secondary and Bishop Belleau School, have completed all components of the regulation and are ready to be submitted to the Ministry pending Board approval in a motion to follow. The presenter reviewed

key dates and highlighted the feedback and consultation received throughout the process. She further recommended approval of the motions to follow.

**H.2.11** Chair/Trustees – Chair Sheculski reminded trustees of the dates of the AGM, May 2-4, 2024.

#### **I** MOTIONS

### 1.1 2024-2025 School Year Calendar – Elementary and Secondary

MOVED BY:

C. Landers

**Resolution 24-21** 

SECONDED BY:

P. Del Guidice

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the 2024-2025 modified school year calendars for elementary and secondary schools and submit to the Ministry of Education for approval.

Carried

# 1.2 2024-2025 School Year Calendar – Bishop Belleau School, Moosonee

MOVED BY:

S. Skalecki

**Resolution 24-22** 

SECONDED BY:

S. Malciw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the 2024-2025 modified school year calendar for Bishop Belleau School in Moosonee and submit to the Ministry of Education for approval.

Carried

## J COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Motion** 

MOVED BY:

F. Salvador

Resolution 24-23

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 CORRESPONDENCE - Nil

- M NEW BUSINESS Nil
- N INFORMATION Nil

### O FUTURE MEETINGS

Annual Board Meeting – March 20, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Motion</u>

MOVED BY:

S. Skalecki

Resolution 24-24

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

**Carried** 

Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting

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Chair of the Board

Secretary-Treasurer