

## NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the ELECTRONIC Public Board Meeting held on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at the Catholic Education Center.

**PRESENT: Trustees:** Martin Drainville t/c  
Elizabeth King t/c  
Colleen Landers t/c  
Denis Lincez t/c  
Steve Malciw t/c  
Ron MacInnis, t/c  
Fred Salvador  
Glenn Sheculski t/c

**Student Trustee:** Micah Aguinaldo t/c

**Administration:** Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education  
Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business t/c  
Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education t/c  
Jennifer Dunkley, Superintendent of Education t/c

**Staff:** Michele Mahaffy, Executive Assistant and Recorder

**Regrets:** Stan Skalecki

**Guests:** Nil

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

#### **A.1 OPENING PRAYER**

The opening prayer was recited. The Chair acknowledged that we were on the Traditional Territory of the Ojibway and Oji-Cree people of the Mattagami First Nation, located in Treaty 9 and acknowledged that others were joining us from additional treaty territories of the Cree, Ojibway, Algonquin, and the Metis.

### **B. ROLL CALL**

#### **Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 21-66**

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: Stan Skalecki

### **C. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST – Nil**

### **D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **Motion**

MOVED BY: S. Malciw  
SECONDED BY: G. Sheculski

**Resolution 21-67**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adopt the agenda for the public board meeting as amended.

Carried

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

MOVED BY: C. Landers

Resolution 21-68

SECONDED BY: E. King

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

Public Board Meeting – April 21, 2021

Carried

F. DELEGATIONS – Nil

G. POLICY

G.1 B-7 Trustee Honorarium

Motion

MOVED BY: R. MacInnis

Resolution 21-69

SECONDED BY: C. Landers

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy B-7 *Trustee Honorarium* at first reading.

Carried

G.2 E-2 Prevalent Medical Conditions

Motion

MOVED BY: M. Drainville

Resolution 21-70

SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy E-2 *Prevalent Medical Conditions* at first reading.

Carried

G.3 E-13 Home Instruction

Motion

MOVED BY: G. Sheculski

Resolution 21-71

SECONDED BY: S. Malciw

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy E-13 *Home Instruction* at first reading.

Carried

**G.4 E-15 Home Schooling**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: E. King  
SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

**Resolution 21-72**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-15 Home Schooling* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.5 P-3 Indemnification of Members of the Board and Employees**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 21-73**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-3 Indemnification of the Board and Employees* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.6 P-10 Transfer of Principals and Vice-Principals**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: G. Sheculski  
SECONDED BY: S. Malciw

**Resolution 21-74**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-10 Transfer of Principals and Vice-Principals* at first reading.

**Carried**

**H. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

**H.1 Presentations - Nil**

**H.2 Reports**

**H.2.1 Student Trustee – Micah Aguinaldo**

M. Aguinaldo presented her report to the Board of Trustees and highlighted the following:

- Teacher of the Month, Mrs. Cathy Beard
- Class of 2021 Valedictorian, Jack Buhler.
- Mrs. John's Religion Course and their "Messages of Hope". The project was a joint effort of staff, students, OSO members and Link Leaders
- A Memorial Service for Mr. Gadzala: On Friday, May 14, staff and students had the chance to drop by OHS' memorial for Mr. Gadzala and drop off a letter or prayer.

**H.2.2 Audit Committee – Nil**

**H.2.3 Indigenous Education Advisory Council - Nil**

**H.2.4 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) - Nil**

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

**H.2.6 Transportation – Elizabeth King, Trustee**

Trustee King gave an overview of the Transportation Committee's May 20, 2021 meeting. The meeting included information on a two programs, a Seat Belt Pilot Project in Sudbury and an Active School Transportation Initiative by the Temiskaming Health Unit, as well as, additional discussion on the subject of WiFi on school buses. She shared the deficit incurred for the 2020-21 school year as well as information on a new provincial law requiring amber lights at the rear of school buses to warn drivers the bus is slowing down.

Trustee King answered some questions from other trustees. Chair Salvador thanked her for her presentation.

**H.2.7 Program – Nil**

**H.2.8 Business**

- Personnel Update, Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

The Board of Trustees reviewed the latest *Personnel Update*, which included four retirements, four resignations and a request for leave. Superintendent Brumwell recognized retiring custodian Shirley Iserhoff and retiring teacher Sylvie Guevremont. She thanked them for their years of service to NCDSB and wished them well in their retirement. Superintendent Dunkley recognized retiring secretary Shelly Leclerc and retiring custodian Roger Laflamme. She thanked them for their service at OHS as well as previous years of service at other schools. On behalf of the Board, she wishes them great things in their retirement.

- SBCI-WSIB and Absence Study Results, Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

K. Scott presented and reviewed the annual SBCI-WSIB reports provided to the Board. He spoke to how the report is difficult to assess due to the size of our Board, particularly when we only have one secondary school to report on. In this case, two longer-term claims were a major factor in NCDSB's results. K. Scott further explained that due to the pandemic, SBCI provided data on sick leave both before and after March 13, 2020 in hopes of providing a clearer picture.

Highlights were presented including the average use of sick days per employee, a decrease in short-term sick days and an increase in long-term sick days. The presenter engaged in a short question and answer period with trustees.

**H.2.9 Director of Education – Nil**

**H.2.10 Chair**

**H.2.10.1 Attendance Allowance**

Chair Salvador presented the conclusions of discussions at the May 18, 2021 Policy Committee meeting as it pertained to an attendance allowance for *Committees of the Board*. As this allowance was only eligible to one committee, and there are several committees that trustees attend, the group proposed that the attendance allowance be eliminated effective immediately. The Chair indicated that a motion would be forthcoming in the *Motions* section.

**H.3 Motions**

**H 3.1 Elimination of Attendance Allowance in Policy B-7 Trustee Honorarium**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers **Resolution 21-75**  
SECONDED BY: G. Sheculski

BE IT RESOLVED that the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the elimination of the attendance allowance in the amount of fifty dollars per meeting, in accordance with Policy B-7 Trustee Honorarium, effective immediately.

**Carried**

**I. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: E. King **Resolution 21-76**  
SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

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**

**J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Nil**

**K. CORRESPONDENCE – Thank you letter, Gaffney Family. Chair Salvador noted the thank you card for the gift basket in memory of Kay.**

**L. NEW BUSINESS - Nil**

**M. INFORMATION – Nil**

**N. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Regular Board Meeting – Wednesday, June 16, 2021

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: M. Drainville **Resolution 21-77**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

**Carried**

**Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting**

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NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

  
Chair of the Board

  
Secretary-Treasurer