

NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on May 15, 2024 at the Catholic Education Center.

PRESENT: Trustees: Paula Del Guidice
Martin Drainville
Elizabeth King
Colleen Landers
Denis Lincez t/c
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: Steve Malciw, Trustee

A. CALL TO ORDER

Territorial Acknowledgment

Chair Sheculski called the meeting to order and welcomed Trustee Skalecki to deliver the territorial acknowledgment.

Opening Prayer

Chair Sheculski led the group in opening prayer.

B. ROLL CALL

Motion

MOVED BY: M. Drainville

Resolution 24-52

SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

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: Steve Malciw, Trustee

Carried

C. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

MOVED BY: C. Landers

Resolution 24-53

SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

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: P. Del Guidice
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

Resolution 24-54

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-1 Signing Officers of the Board

Motion

MOVED BY: F. Salvador
SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

Resolution 24-55

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *B-1 Signing Officers of the Board* at first reading.

Carried

G.2 B-7 Trustee Honorarium

Motion

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

Resolution 24-56

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

Carried

G.3 E-2 Prevalent Medical Conditions

Motion

MOVED BY: P. Del Guidice
SECONDED BY: E. King

Resolution 24-57

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

Carried

G.4 E-13 Home Instruction

Motion

MOVED BY: F. Salvador
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

Resolution 24-58

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

Carried

G.5 E-15 Home Schooling

Motion

MOVED BY: P. Del Guidice
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

Resolution 24-59

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

Carried

G.6 E-37 Student Mental Health

Motion

MOVED BY: P. Del Guidice
SECONDED BY: E. King

Resolution 24-60

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-37 Student Mental Health* at first reading.

Carried

G.7 P-5 Criminal Background Checks and Offence Declarations

Motion

MOVED BY: F. Salvador
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

Resolution 24-61

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-5 Criminal Background Checks and Offence Declarations* at first reading.

Carried

G.8 P-6 Hiring – Conflict of Interest

Motion

MOVED BY: M. Drainville
SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

Resolution 24-62

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-6 Hiring – Conflict of Interest* at first reading.

Carried

G.9 P-9 Recruitment and Selection

Motion

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki
SECONDED BY: P. Del Guidice

Resolution 24-63

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-9 Recruitment and Selection* at first reading.

Carried

H. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS

H.1 Presentations – OHS Rotary Youth Exchange students

Student Trustee Elena Lionello introduced Viktor Gratza and Letizia Pottini, two exchange students with the Rotary Youth Exchange Program who have been attending O’Gorman High School (OHS) for the 2023-2024 school year. Viktor and Letizia shared their educational journey and key differences between schooling at home and O’Gorman High

School. Trustees were thankful to learn about their positive experiences at OHS and the impact OHS and Timmins has had on their lives.

Viktor and Letizia were wished all the best as they return home at the end of the school year.

H.2 Reports

H.2.1 Student Trustees – Monthly Student Report, Elena Lionello and Sahayma Omenye
The student trustees presented their monthly report. The report included information on the following:

- School Activities: Catholic Education Week, Catholic Student Youth Day, Community Clean-Up, Red Shirt Day and the recognition of Mrs. Marks, Northern Guidance Counsellor award.
- Class Reports: Seed bomb activity and Legion 88 visit
- Extracurriculars: OHS' REACH team attended provincials, soccer and track and field teams are playing hard, and the cast and crew of Joseph had an amazing four-day run with some sold-out performances.

H.2.2 Audit Committee - Nil

H.2.3 Indigenous Advisory Committee – Nil

H.2.4 Special Education Advisory Committee – April 17, 2024 Meeting Update and March 20, 2024 Minutes.

Trustee Landers reviewed a few of the day's agenda items including updates on EQAO preparation, the NCDSB IGNITE leadership program and the Board Math Action Plan which will be presented by Superintendent Brumwell in section H.2.8.

H.2.5 Supervised Alternative Learning – Nil

H.2.6 Student Discipline – Nil

H.2.7 Transportation Committee – Nil

H.2.8 Program

H.2.8.1 Board Math Action Plan Update – Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education

Consistent with the requirements of the Ministry of Education, D. Brumwell provided an overview of progress made to date in regards to the Board Math Action Plan 2023-2024. Her report covered the Ministry identification of NCDSB priority schools, an overview of a number of current strategies, priority actions and the outline of next steps. The complete *NCDSB Math Board Action Plan 2023-2024* was shared with trustees and a recommendation to approve the plan in the motion to follow was requested.

H.2.9 Business – Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

H.2.9.1 SBCI Attendance and WSIB Annal Reports

Superintendent Scott referred to item 16, 17, 18 in the *Board Package*. No questions from the Board.

H.2.9.2 Summer Projects

Superintendent Scott gave a brief overview of a broad range of capital projects that will take place over the summer. This includes the completion of all ventilation projects and the Salto Access system, as well as, a number of projects across ten schools. He also noted a project that will not be complete by the end of the summer due to delays in materials.

H.2.9.3 Tender Openings

Superintendent Scott referred to the revised report sent to trustees earlier today which now includes complete information on three tenders including, bids received, the recommended contractors and the total cost of each project including contingency.

K. Scott recommended acceptance of the motions to follow.

H.2.9.4 Personnel Report

Superintendent Scott reported one new hire and two resignations as per his report.

H.2.10 Director of Education

H.2.10.1 Changes to the Education Funding Formula

Director Tricia Weltz shared information relating to the changes to the Education Funding Formula beginning in September 2024. Her report outlined background information on this change, a thorough summary of changes and other points of interest.

H.2.10.2 Celebrations of Excellence and Graduation

Director Weltz referred to her report on this year's Celebrations of Excellence and O'Gorman High's graduation. A compilation of dates and times was also made available to trustees. Trustees were asked to share their plans to attend any events with the Director's Office by Friday, April 19.

H.2.11 Chair/Trustees

H.2.11.1 AGM Learning Highlights

A number of trustees attended the OCSTA AGM May 2-4, 2024 in Niagara Falls. They each shared key learning they acquired at the conference.

I. MOTIONS

I.1 Tender R242 – Cooling Tower Replacement

MOVED BY: F. Salvador
SECONDED BY: P. Del Guidice

Resolution 24-64

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Northeastern Catholic District School Board award the contract for R242 Cooling Tower Replacement at O'Gorman High School, Timmins, Ontario, to N. Lacroix Plumbing and Heating (Timmins) Limited, in the amount of \$144,602.00, plus the additional separate costs of \$32,096.00, and a 10% contingency for a total of \$194,367.00 plus HST, and pending the final review of the documents by the consultant.

Carried

I.2 Tender R241 – Aileen Wright English Catholic School Window and Door Replacement

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki
SECONDED BY: D. Lincez

Resolution 24-65

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board award the contract for R241 Window and Door Replacement at Aileen Wright English Catholic School, Cochrane, Ontario, to R. M. Belanger Limited, in the amount of \$340,000.00, plus the additional separate costs of \$34,829.00, and a 10% contingency for a total of \$387,336.00 plus HST, and pending the final review of the documents by the consultant.

Carried

I.3 Tender R244 – Bishop Belleau School Window and Roof Replacement

MOVED BY: E. King **Resolution 24-66**
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board award the contract for R244 Window and Roof Replacement at Bishop Belleau School, Moosonee, Ontario, to R.M. Belanger in the amount of \$915,300.00, plus additional separate costs of \$34,829.00, and a 10% contingency for a total of \$1,045,142.00 plus HST, and pending the final review of the documents by the consultant.

Carried

J. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion

MOVED BY: M. Drainville **Resolution 24-67**
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

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Nil

L. CORRESPONDENCE – Nil

M. NEW BUSINESS – Nil

N. INFORMATION – Nil

O. FUTURE MEETINGS

Annual Board Meeting – June 12, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki **Resolution 24-68**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Carried

Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting

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Chair of the Board


Secretary-Treasurer