



ALGONQUIN AND LAKESHORE CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 at 6:00 PM
BOARD OFFICE, NAPANEE, ONTARIO

A. (i) Opening Prayer

Trustee Speagle led the Board in Prayer.

(ii) Roll Call:

Trustees:

G. Speagle, Chair
J. Brisbois, Vice-Chair
G. Cosgrove
T. Dall
G. Hinin, Student Trustee
S. Kelly
B. Kerby
W. Procter
T. Shea
C. Summers
K. Turkington

Administration:

J. DiRocco, Director of Education
B. Koubsky, Superintendent of Finance & Business Services
T. Slack, Superintendent of School Effectiveness
T. Kennedy, Superintendent of School Effectiveness
K. Shannon, Superintendent of School Effectiveness
D. Giroux, Superintendent of School Effectiveness
E. Walker, Assistant to the Director of Education
M. Lamarche, Manager, Human Resources
D. Campbell, Controller of Plant & Planning Services
E. Pennell, Manager, Financial Services

All trustees and administration were present.

(iii) Approval of Agenda:

MOVER: Trustee Summers

SECONDER: Trustee Kelly

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

(iv) Declarations of Interest:

None.

B. 1. Motion to Move to Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session:

MOVER: Trustee Summers

SECONDER: Trustee Brisbois

THAT approval be given to move to Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session.

CARRIED.

2. Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting and Approval of the Resolutions of the Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session:

MOVER: Trustee Brisbois

SECONDER: Trustee Cosgrove

THAT approval be given to reconvene the Regular Meeting and approval of the resolutions of the Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session.

CARRIED

C. Actions Items:

1. Prayer –Trustee Cosgrove

Trustee Cosgrove led the Board in prayer.

2. Reflection of System Mission Statement –Trustee Cosgrove

We shall acknowledge that our primary mission rests in living the call of Christ each day.

3. Welcome to Visitors and Press:

Trustee Speagle welcomed guests to the meeting.

4. Presentations:

- (a) Non-Staff:

None.

- (b) Staff:

- (i) Back to School, September, 2016

The Director reported to Trustees that the Board had a smooth and successful start to the new school year, and thanked the hard work of school Principals and staff. The Director shared with Trustees some images from the first few weeks of school that were posted to Twitter by staff, students and members of the school communities using the hashtag #backtoalcdsb.

- (ii) Newly Appointed Principals and Vice-Principals

The Director welcomed the Board's newly appointed Principals and Vice-Principals to the meeting, and introduced them to the Trustees. Stacey Porter-Eves, Principal of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School, Chris Gencarelli, Vice-Principal of Holy Family Catholic School, Dianne Lafortune, Vice-Principal of St. Martha Catholic School and Anna Young, Vice-Principal of St. Michael Catholic School shared with Trustees stories from their first few weeks in their new roles. The Director noted that Mr. Brad Reitzel, Principal of Sacred Heart Catholic School in Batawa was unable to attend the meeting,

- (iii) Annual Director's Charity Golf Tournament

Mr. Koubsky reported to Trustees that this year's annual event raised over \$19,000 and was the most successful to-date. Mr. Koubsky thanked the members of the committee

and all the volunteers who helped make the day a success. The Director presented a cheque in the amount of \$19,150.00 to Trustee Dall, Chair of the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation, and Chair Speagle, member of the Board of Directors.

5. (a) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes and Associated Recommendations:

(i) Board Meeting of June 21, 2016:

MOVER: Trustee Brisbois

SECONDER: Trustee Turkington

THAT approval be given to the Minutes and Associated Recommendations of the Board Meeting of June 21, 2016.

CARRIED.

(b) Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes and Associated Recommendations:

(i) Finance and Operations Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016:

MOVER: Trustee Kelly

SECONDER: Trustee Summers

THAT approval be given to the Minutes and Associated Recommendations of the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016.

CARRIED.

(ii) Issues and Directions Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016:

MOVER: Trustee Procter

SECONDER: Trustee Dall

THAT approval be given to the Minutes and Associated Recommendations of the Issues and Directions Committee Meeting of September 13, 2016.

CARRIED.

(iii) Special Board Meeting of July 4, 2016:

MOVER: Trustee Cosgrove

SECONDER: Trustee Shea

THAT approval be given to the Minutes and Associated Recommendations of the Special Board Meeting of July 4, 2016.

CARRIED

6. Business Arising Out of the Minutes:

None.

7. New Business:

(a) Educational Programs/Services:

(i) The Kindergarten Program and Growing Success: The Kindergarten Addendum
ALCDSB Implementation Plan, 2016-2017

Ms. Kennedy provided Trustees with information relating to the newly released Ministry

of Education Kindergarten Program and Growing Success documents, specifically, the new Kindergarten Communication of Learning reporting templates. Ms. Kennedy noted that these templates provide staff with consistent program and reporting guidelines and she outlined the four Frames that will be used by the Kindergarten teachers when they report on the success of students. Ms. Kennedy noted the hard work of Special Assignment Teacher, Ms. Kim Carmichael who helped ensure the successful implementation of this plan for schools across the Board.

(ii) Board Improvement Planning for Student Achievement and Well-Being 2016-2017

Mr. Giroux presented Trustees with the 2016-2017 Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement and Well-Being (BIPSAW) and noted that the K-12 plan describes the collective priority work of Board and school staff focusing on improved student engagement, achievement and formation across ALCDSB.

(iii) Mother Teresa Catholic School

MOVER: Trustee Summers

SECONDER: Trustee Brisbois

THAT the Board of Trustees recognize and commemorate the canonization of St. Teresa of Calcutta by displaying a plaque and icon in the school; and

THAT the Board of Trustees confirm the name of the school will continue to be Mother Teresa Catholic School.

CARRIED

Ms. Kennedy noted that His Grace, Archbishop O'Brien, was consulted regarding appropriate Board recognition of the canonization of St. Teresa of Calcutta which took place on September 4, 2016.

(iv) ALCDSB Elementary Renewed Math Strategy 2016-2017

Mr. Giroux presented Trustees with a copy of the Board's Renewed Math Strategy for 2016-2017. Numeracy Facilitator and Special Assignment Teacher Katie Williamson provided Trustees with the highlights and an overview of the plan.

Trustee Turkington left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

(v) Student Services Learning Series

Mrs. Shannon provided Trustees with information regarding the Student Services Learning Series, an opportunity for staff across the ALCDSB to participate in monthly professional learning to help build capacity to meet the needs of students.

(vi) Mental Health and Well-Being Website

Ms. Kennedy presented Trustees with the new Mental Health and Wellness site on the Board's website, and noted that this initiative was developed by Mental Health Lead Kaveh Khanverdi to provide information to staff, parents and communities about mental health and resources available.

(vii) Enrolment and Staffing Report

Mrs. Lamarche provided Trustees with an update on enrolment and staffing for the 2016-2017 school year and reviewed with Trustees the 5 year comparison charts.

MOVER: Trustee Kelly

SECONDER: Trustee Cosgrove

THAT approval be given to extend the meeting an additional fifteen minutes

CARRIED

(b) Human Resources:
None.

(c) Other:

(i) Trustee Data Plan - verbal

MOVER: Trustee Shea

SECONDER: Trustee Cosgrove

THAT the Board of Trustees direct the Director of Education to bring back a report on the feasibility of adding an allocation for Trustees for a cell phone data plan.

CARRIED

(ii) Declaring Interest in the Board Executive Prior to the Inaugural Meeting – verbal

Trustees had a discussion on how to communicate their interest in running for Chair, Vice-Chair and Chair of the Finance and Operations Committee.

(d) OCSTA Update:
None.

8. Items of Information:

(i) Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes of September 12, 2016

This item was provided for information.

(ii) Catholic Character and Culture Report and Minutes of September 14, 2016

This item was provided for information.

9. Pending Items:
None.

10. Correspondence:
None.

11. Chair's Report:

Trustee Speagle reported that he attended many welcome back school BBQ's this month and that he has spoken to many happy and complimentary parents who are very supportive of the Board. Trustee Speagle reminded Trustees of the OCSTA Regional Meeting scheduled for the next day.

12. Director's Report:

Mr. DiRocco noted to Trustees that there are lots of wonderful events happening across the Board. Mr. DiRocco noted that he spent some time visiting schools to welcome back returning staff and students as well as welcoming many new faces this year. Mr. DiRocco provided Trustees with a brief update regarding the Ministry's decision to assist with Tri-Board Student Transportation's litigation costs. The Director shared that he has received information that the Limestone District School Board would be bringing forward a motion to their Board of Trustees regarding approval for their administration to send a letter to ALCDSB to begin a discussion on the possibility of sharing space at Sacred Heart Wolfe Island. Mr. DiRocco clarified to Trustees that the ALCDSB has not received any official communication from LDSB on this matter at this time.

13. Trustee Community Linkages/Comments:

Trustee Cosgrove reported that he attended the United Way kick-off breakfast at the Ambassador Hotel in Kingston with Trustee Shea, Student Trustee Hinin and lots of students from the Board, and encouraged Trustees to support the United Way campaign again this year.

Trustee Kelly reported that he attended the official opening of the Loyola eLearning Hubs and saw all of the exciting initiatives happening there. He also noted the participation of many St. Theresa Catholic Secondary School students who volunteered for the City of Belleville's announcement of the AHL team for the Ottawa Senators who will be moving to Belleville and that the students were recognized and thanked by the team owner, Eugene Melnyk.

Trustee Dall reported that he attended the meet and greet at St. Mary Catholic School in Trenton. He also participated in the Terry Fox Run at Holy Name of Mary and St. Mary's Read. All were very well attended. Trustee Dall noted that St. Mary's Catholic School in Read has raised \$30,000 over the past 12 years in donations to the Terry Fox foundation, which is a remarkable accomplishment from a school that size. Trustee Dall reported that he attended the eLearning Hub official openings in Picton and Trenton and noted that these 21st century learning opportunities are very exciting for our students at Loyola.

Trustee Summers reported that she attended Mass at Holy Cross and that there was great student participation, and that she would be attending Mass at Regiopolis-Notre Dame the next day.

Student Trustee Hinin reported that he participated in the Head Start program at Regiopolis-Notre Dame where they welcome Grade 9 students to the school and help the new students with peer tutoring and reducing stress. Student Trustee Hinin also reported that OSTA will be sending out information to schools about their faith myth-busters campaign.

Trustee Brisbois reported that he attended the Food for Learning meeting and noted that 11,500 students are fed every day. Trustee Brisbois encouraged Trustees to help out at upcoming events at stores in Belleville and in Trenton.

14. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Greg Speagle, Board Chair

J. DiRocco, Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board

Laurie Morton
Recording Secretary