



THE HURON-PERTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the Board

Monday, December 7, 2009 – 4:00 p.m.

Board Office, Dublin

1. **PRAYER SERVICE** – A prayer service was held before the Inaugural Meeting with the students of St. Columban School choir performing three songs.

M. Dutrizac made a presentation to Gr. 7 student, Nicole Feeney, from St. Columban School. Nicole's nativity artwork was used in the making of the Board Christmas cards.

2. **CALL TO ORDER & RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE**

Trustees – Present

Student Representatives – Present

Administration – Present

Recording Secretary – Present

Board Chaplain – Absent

Press – S. Slater - St. Marys Journal Argus, Listowel Banner, Exeter Times, Wingham Advance Times; Diane Colgan - 104.9 The Beach.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – B. Murray – M. Miller (CARRIED)**

4. **INTRODUCTION OF BOARD TRUSTEES**

Director of Education Martha Dutrizac welcomed everyone to the meeting.

5. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Chairperson of the Board, in accordance with By-Laws, Article II, Section 5.

Moved by J. McDade, seconded by B. Murray that M. Miller be nominated to the position of Chairperson of the Board.

M. Miller was acclaimed Chairperson of the Board.

Vice-Chairperson of the Board, in accordance with By-Laws, Article II, Section 5.

Moved by R. Marcy, seconded by J. McDade that B. Murray be nominated to the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board.

B. Murray was acclaimed Vice-Chairperson of the Board.

AREA CHAIRPERSONS

Education, in accordance with By-Laws, Article II, Section 6

Moved by R. Marcy, seconded by B. Murray that J. McDade be nominated to the position of Chairperson of the Education Committee.

J. McDade was acclaimed Chairperson of the Education Committee.

Management, in accordance with By-Laws, Article II, Section 6.

Moved by V. McInnes, seconded by B. Murray that R. Marcy be nominated to the position of Chairperson of the Management Committee.

R. Marcy was acclaimed Chairperson of the Management Committee.

Personnel, in accordance with By-Laws, Article II, Section 6.

Moved by J. McDade, seconded by R. Marcy that V. McInnes be nominated to the position of Chairperson of the Personnel Committee.

V. McInnes was acclaimed Chairperson of the Personnel Committee.

Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

Moved by R. Marcy, seconded by B. Murray that J. McDade remain an ad hoc member of the SEAC.

6. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

Borrowing By-Law 1-2010, Borrowing By-Law 2-2010, Borrowing By-Law 3-2010.

Motion #09/10-001

B. Murray – R. Marcy

Be it resolved that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and one of the Director of Education or the Superintendent of Business and Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from time to time from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC") a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) to meet the current expenditures of the Board until the current revenue has been received, for the year (including the amounts required for the purposes mentioned in subsection 243 (1) and 243 (2) of the Act plus interest at a rate to be agreed upon from time to time with CIBC.

CARRIED

Motion #09/10-002

V. McInnes – R. Marcy

Be it resolved that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and one of the Director of Education or the Superintendent of Business and Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from time to time from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC") a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate Nine Hundred and Sixty Thousand, Four Hundred and Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$960,427) to meet the capital expenditures of the Board under the Good Places to Learn, Stages 3 and 4 until such time as the projects are complete and long term financing is secured.

CARRIED

Motion #09/10-003

R. Marcy – B. Murray

Be it resolved that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman and one of the Director of Education or the Superintendent of Business and Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC") a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate One Million, Two Hundred and Eight Thousand, One Hundred and Thirty-Five Dollars (\$1,208,135) to meet the capital expenditures of the Board for the Ministry of Education's School Energy Efficiency Investment until such time as capital funding is received for this initiative.

CARRIED

Memo from the Director of Education dated November 30, 2009 re: Facsimile Signature Plates.

Motion #09/10-004

V. McInnes – R. Marcy

Be it resolved that facsimile signatures bearing the signature of the Chairperson of the Board and the Secretary or Treasurer for use on general account cheques under \$500.00 be approved, provided that one facsimile signature only appear on any cheque over \$500.00.

CARRIED

Memo from the Director of Education dated November 30, 2009 re: Appointment of Board Solicitor.

Motion #09/10-005

J. McDade – B. Murray

Be it resolved that the firm of Donnelly & Murphy be appointed as Board Solicitors.

CARRIED

Memo from the Director of Education dated November 30, 2009 re: Appointment of Board Auditors.

Motion #09/10-006

R. Marcy – V. McInnes

Be it resolved that the firm of BDO Dunwoody LLP, Chartered Accountants and Advisors, be appointed as Board Auditors.

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE / OTHER

M. Miller thanked J. McDade and R. Marcy for serving as Chair and Vice-Chair for the past year. He stated that to be elected as Board Chair is a privilege and a responsibility that is made much easier to assume with the common goals and direction that all our trustees and administration share. He thanked all staff for their dedication to Catholic education.

M. Dutrizac introduced Karen McDowell and Carol Ann Campbell to the meeting. Karen is the new Executive Manager of Employee Relations, taking over for Carol Ann who will be retiring at the end of December.

8. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

9. CLOSING PRAYER – J. McDade

10. ADJOURNMENT – V. McInnes - B. Murray (CARRIED)

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