

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Mission Statement

*In partnership with the students, the home and the community,
Superior-Greenstone District School Board will address
individual students' needs by providing:
a diverse education that prepares for and honours their chosen path for success,
avenues that foster a love of learning, and
the means to honour varied learning styles.*

Videoconference Site Locations

Superior-Greenstone District School Board ... (SGDSB) 12 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON
 Manitouwadge High School (MNHS) 200 Manitou Road W., Manitouwadge, ON
 Marathon High School (MRHS) 14 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON
 Lake Superior High School (LSHS) Hudson Drive, Terrace Bay, ON
 Nipigon-Red Rock District High School (NRHS) 20 Frost Street, Red Rock, ON
 Geraldton Composite High School (GCHS) 500 Second Street West, Geraldton, ON

Regular Board Meeting 2006/09

4:30 p.m. (Committee of Whole Board)

5:00 p.m. (Regular Board Meeting)

MINUTES

Monday, September 18, 2006

Designated Site: Marathon Board Room, Marathon, ON

Electronic via Teleconference:

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

Board Chair Designate: Guy Champagne

Director: Patti Pella

PART I Committee of Whole Board
 PART II Committee of Whole Board
 PART III

Section (A): In-Camera – (closed to public) 4:32 p.m.
 Section (B): In-Committee – (open to public): 4:34 p.m.
 Regular Board Meeting – (open to public): 4:59 p.m.

Note: Due to the extreme fire situation in the Geraldton area, and potential for road closures and/or evacuation orders, the Board Chair in consultation with the Director of Education amended the designated site for the Board Meeting from the Geraldton Composite High School to the Marathon Board Room, Marathon, ON. The schedule of school tours and joint school council meetings for B.A. Parker PS and Geraldton Composite HS were cancelled as a result.

In addition, the designated board chair for the Board Meeting was the Board Vice-Chair, Guy Champagne who attended on site in the company of a second board member as a requirement for quorum.

Attendance

<u>Trustees</u>	Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)										
	OS	TC	VC	A	R	OS	TC	VC	A	R	
Aylward Les				X		Mannisto, Mark	X				
Bartlett, Bette		X				Notwell, Kathryn	X				
Keenan, Darlene		X				Marissa Asperjan (joined@ 4:59P)		X			

<u>Board Administrators</u>	<i>Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)</i>				
	<i>OS</i>	<i>TC</i>	<i>VC</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>R</i>
Patti Pella: <i>Director of Education</i>	X				
Bruce Rousseau: <i>Superintendent of Business</i>	X				
Colleen Kappel: <i>Acting Superintendent of Education</i>	X				
John Robart: <i>Assistant to Superintendent of Education</i>	X				
Cathy Tsubouchi: <i>Manager of Accounting Services</i>					

Board Vice Chair, Guy Champagne suggested that trustees revisit this issue at the next board meeting once each has had an opportunity to think about the enhancement or alternatives and offer feedback.

11.0 Minutes

11.1 Board Meetings:

11.1.1 2006/08 Regular Board – August 28, 2006

233/06

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

That, the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting be and are hereby declared adopted:

- 2006/08 Regular Board, August 28, 2006

Carried

11.2 Statutory Committee Meetings

Nil

11.3 Standing Committee Meetings

Nil

11.4 Ad Hoc Committee Meetings

Nil

12.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising out of the minutes.

13.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

13.1 Student Trustee: Superior-Greenstone DSB

Student Trustee, Marissa Asperjan did not have an update at this time

14.0 Reports of the Director of Education

(P. Pella)

14.1 Report No. 67: Additional Professional Activity Days

234/06

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 67: Additional Professional Activity Days as presented.

Carried

The Ministry of Education has amended Ontario Regulation 304 and two additional professional activity days are available for the 2006-2007 school year bring the total to six days for teacher PD. These additional days are devoted to the professional development of teachers with respect to improving student outcomes in literacy and numeracy, and improving student success in making the transition from elementary to secondary school, graduating from secondary school and obtaining employment or attending college or university after graduation.

235/06

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee M. Mannisto

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the addition of two Professional Activity Days to the 2006-2007 school year calendar on December 4, 2006 and April 20, 2007.

Carried

14.2 Report No. 68: Educational Assistants

236/06

Moved by: Trustee C. Fisher

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 68: Educational Assistants as presented.

Carried

Patti Pella noted that in monitoring the level of support for students in our schools it has been determined that there are two areas of concern in regard to Educational Assistant staffing. George O'Neill Public School and Marathon High School do not have enough EA's to adequately support the number of students in need given that declining enrolment and the lack of INAC funding has reduced EA support by 40 staff. She advised that administration would only make use of the position if absolutely necessary and the complement is apart from the tuition agreement.

237/06

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee M. Mannisto

That the Superior-Greenstone DSB accept Administration's recommendation for up to an additional five (5 FTE) Educational Assistant positions for the 2006-2007 school year, to be funded from reserves.

Carried

14.3 Update: Regulation 357/06 - Honoraria for Board Members

Patti Pella provided a brief progress report advising that Regulation 357/06 Honoraria for Board Members. The regulation requires a Trustee Honoraria Citizen's Advisory Committee composed of school council chairs and/or a parent member of SEAC to be established to review and make recommendations on trustee honoraria retroactive from September 1, 2005 to November 30, 2006. It would also develop a recommendation for the rates for the incoming board for its four year mandate, effective December 1, 2006.

14.4 Correspondence: Scholarship Thank You

Jennifer Beaulieu and Julian Faust former Geraldton Composite and Nipigon-Red Rock District High Schools (respectively) have submitted thank you letters for receipt of scholarships upon graduation to post-secondary educational institutes.

15.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: K. Notwell)

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Wayne, Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services referred briefly to the report noting that the information item is provided to keep trustees apprised of the progress of the project.

16.2 Report No. 71: Renewal Project Update 2005/2006
240/06

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 71: Renewal Project Update 2005/2006 from the Plant Services Department as presented for information.

Carried

Wayne, Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services provided a brief overview from the report noting in the past year that over 200 projects were addressed within his department.

16.3 Update: School Enrolments

Bruce Rousseau, Superintendent of Business informed the board that preliminary enrolment numbers illustrate that enrolment for 2006-2007 has declined by 35 FTE students. The ministry requires an official count to be submitted after October 31st.

16.4 2006 Borrowing Bylaw No. 105
241/06

Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow

Seconded by: Trustee M. Mannisto

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the Bylaw to Borrow Funds No. 105 as per attachment presented.

Carried

242/06

Moved by: Trustee M. Mannisto

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves Bylaw No. 105 being a bylaw to borrow funds as per attachment presented.

Carried

17.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: B. Bartlett

17.1 Report No. 72: Disbursements-August 2006
243/06

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 72: Disbursements August 2006 as presented for information.

Carried

17.2 Report No.: 73: Personnel-September 18, 2006
244/06

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 73: Personnel dated September 18, 2006 as presented for information.

Carried

18.0 New Business

18.1 Chair
Nil

18.2 Correspondence
Nil

18.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items
Nil

19.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

19.1 OPSBA

Trustee, Mark Mannisto reported that the OPSBA Public Education Symposium is scheduled the first week of February 2007 in Toronto. There are no details to-date for the venue or agenda for the

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