



Kenora Catholic District School Board

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Meeting Report

March 26, 2024



MEETING DATE:	March 26, 2024
LOCATION OF MEETING:	Catholic Education Centre
SUBJECT OF MEETING:	Regular Board Meeting
CHAIR:	Teresa Gallik
TRANSCRIBER:	Trina Henley
TIME OF MEETING:	7:00 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.

ATTENDED BY:

	INIT	ATTENDANCE	PERSON	TITLE
1.	AS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Alison Smith	Superintendent of Business, Facilities, and Planning Services
2.	AB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Angela Bishop	Trustee
3.	BF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Benjamim Favreau	Student Trustee
4.	DF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Derek Favreau	Trustee
5.	JR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jamey Robertson	Superintendent of Education
6.	JW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jeffrey White	Trustee
7.	JP	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jesse Peterson	Student Trustee
8.	JP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Joshua Pitt	Student Trustee
9.	LT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lorne Temple	Trustee
10.	ML	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Marie Lundin	Trustee
11.	NK	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nicole Kurtz	Director of Education
12.	PL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paul Landry	Vice Chair
13.	TG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Teresa Gallik	Chair

AGENDA

- OPENING PRAYER** – Chair Teresa Gallik opened with a statement in honour of Elder Terry Skead, Elder in Residence, who passed away in the morning. Mariette Martineau, Religious Education and Family Life Coordinator opened the meeting in prayer, bringing everyone into the presence of the Lord.
- ROLL CALL** – Trustee Lorne Temple and Student Trustee Jesse Peterson were noted as absent with regret.
- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Motion #074 Moved by Marie Lundin
 Seconded by Angela Bishop

Recommendation:

THAT the Board resolve into Committee of the Whole and the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions of Section 207 (2) of the Education Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.E.2.

Carried.



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4. **DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Trustees Marie Lundin and Derek Favreau declared a pecuniary interest with item 9.7.1 Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association Ratification of Agreement on the Regular Board Meeting agenda.

Teresa Gallik noted that Trustee Jeffrey White indicated a declaration of pecuniary interest with the Committee of the Whole agenda item 6.2.1 and Trustees Marie Lundin and Derek Favreau indicated a declaration of pecuniary interest on item 6.6.1 of the Committee of the Whole Agenda.

5. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion #075 Moved by Derek Favreau
Seconded by Marie Lundin

Recommendation:

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried.

6. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Motion #076 Moved by Paul Landry
Seconded by Jeffrey White

Recommendation:

THAT the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Kenora Catholic District School Board of February 20, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried.

7. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

8. **DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

8.1 School Presentation for St. John Paul II School – **Travis Batters and Jon Walters**

Travis Batters, Principal, and Jon Walters, Vice Principal, presented a comprehensive report on literacy, learning, and achievement initiatives at St. John Paul II School. They emphasized the Lexia Literacy program for Grades 1-5 and tailored programming for Grade 6 students. The report also covered the introduction of the new Archery program, advancements in the accessible playground project, and various social justice initiatives.

8.2 Business Services Report – **Krista Helsel, Jonathon Ranger and Devin Ryan**

Krista Helsel, Jonathon Ranger, and Devin Ryan, leading the Human Resources, Finance, and IT Services departments, presented their teams' goals and initiatives. HR is focusing on staff support and recruitment, Financial Services is enhancing payment processes and financial management, and IT is committed to cybersecurity and upgrading infrastructure. Their collective efforts support and improve operational efficiency, employee support, and the educational environment within the Board.



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8.3 Student Trustee Report – **Joshua Pitt, Jesse Peterson, and Benjamin Favreau**

Student Trustees Joshua Pitt and Benjamin Favreau presented March highlights and upcoming activities at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, including an arts department play called Clue and an upcoming band trip to Montreal. The sports season has wrapped up for senior girls, with badminton for Grades 7 and 8 on the horizon. Academically, students are in the second semester, gearing up for midterms amidst the Lenten season, complemented by prayer services and Prayer Labs on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.

9. POLICY GOVERNANCE

9.1 Approval of Minutes

Motion #077 Moved by Paul Landry
Seconded by Jeffrey White

Recommendation:

THAT the report of the Policy Governance Committee meeting of March 5, 2024, be approved as presented.

Carried.

9.2 Policy

9.2.1 Policy #18 – Student Trustees – **N. Kurtz**

Nicole Kurtz, Director of Education, identified that Policy #18 – Student Trustees, was updated to reflect the change from three student trustees to two student trustees.

Motion #078 Moved by Marie Lundin
Seconded by Derek Favreau

Recommendation:

THAT the Board approves the revisions to Policy #18 – Student Trustees effective immediately.

Carried.

9.3 Personnel

9.4 Property



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9.5 **Finance**

9.5.1 2019–2024 Capital Plan – **A. Smith**

Alison Smith, Superintendent of Business, Facilities and Planning Services, reported on the 33 projects that comprise the 2019 – 2024 Capital Plan. Smith highlighted the Board's use of \$3,947,510 for capital projects up to 2022 – 2023, funded by School Condition Improvement, School Renewal, as well as insurance proceeds for the roof replacement at St. John School.

Motion #079 Moved by Paul Landry
Seconded by Marie Lundin

Recommendation:

THAT the Board accept the 2019 – 2024 Capital Plan as presented.

Carried.

9.6 **Program**

9.6.1 2023–2024 Math Achievement Action Plan Update – **N. Kurtz**

Nicole Kurtz provided an update on the 2023 - 2024 Math Achievement Action Plan.

Motion #080 Moved by Derek Favreau
Seconded by Angela Bishop

Recommendation:

THAT the Board endorses the update for the 2023 – 2024 Math Achievement Action Plan for the Kenora Catholic District School Board as presented.

Carried.

9.7 **Negotiations**

9.7.1 Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association Ratification of Agreement – **A. Smith**

It was noted that Trustees Derek Favreau and Marie Lundin excused themselves from the Boardroom during item 9.7.1 Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association Ratification Agreement.

Motion #081 Moved by Paul Landry
Seconded by Jeffrey White

Recommendation:

THAT the Kenora Catholic District School Board ratify the central terms contained within the Memorandum of Settlement and attached Appendices, dated March 5, 2024, made between the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association and Agreed to by the Crown. Further that the approval of the ratification of central terms be reported to the OCSTA.

Carried.



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9.8 Other

10. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Motion #082 Moved by Angela Bishop
Seconded by Marie Lundin

Recommendation:

THAT the Board accept the report of the Committee of the Whole and all recommendations contained therein.

Carried.

11. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

12. **NEW BUSINESS**

13. **INFORMATION**

14. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

POLICY GOVERNANCE MEETINGS

April 2, 2024 (Chair: Derek Favreau)

May 7, 2024 (Chair: Lorne Temple)

June 4, 2024 (Chair: Jeffrey White)

SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS

NIL

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 16

Tuesday, May 21

Tuesday, June 18

CATHOLIC PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 15, at 11:30 AM

Tuesday, June 4 School Council & Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Report at 5:00 PM

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Friday, April 12 at 1:30 PM – St. Thomas Aquinas High School

INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETINGS



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SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETINGS

École Ste-Marguerite Bourgeoys – April 10 at 5:30 PM

St. John Paul II School – April 10 at 6:00 PM

St. Thomas Aquinas High School – April 15 at 7:00 PM

St. Louis Living Arts School – May 13 at 6:30 PM

St. John School – May 14 at 6:00 PM

TRUSTEE TRAVEL / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OCSTA 2024 Annual General Meeting and Conference, May 2 – 4, in Niagara Falls

CCSTA 2024 AGM and Convention May 30 – June 1 in Calgary

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION FINANCIAL REPORTING DEADLINES

Date	Description
June 30, 2023	School Board Estimates for 2023 – 2024
November 15, 2023	School Board Financial Statements for 2022 – 2023
December 15, 2023	School Board Revised Estimates for 2023 – 2024
May 15, 2024	School Board Financial Report for September 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #083 Moved by Paul Landry

Seconded by Derek Favreau

Recommendation:

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Carried.

Chairperson

Secretary/Treasurer