

# 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 2010/10

Committee of Whole Board In-Camera  
(Closed to Public) 6:30 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting: (Open to Public)  
Follows conclusion of In-Camera

## MINUTES

Monday, October 18, 2010

Designated Site: Board Meeting Room, Marathon, ON

**Board Chair:** Julie Sparrow

**Director:** Patti Pella

VC Sites at: GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / NRHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board  
PART II: Regular Board Meeting

Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 6:33 p.m.  
Section (B) : – (open to public): 7:16 p.m.

## Attendance

<u>Trustees</u>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)										
	OS	TC	VC	A	R		OS	TC	VC	A	R
Bartlett, Bette		X				Notwell, Kathryn	X				
Brown, Cindy	X					Pelletier, Allison (Student)			X		
Carlino, Daniela (Student)	X					Robinson, Danielle (Student) Excused at 8:35P	X				
Fisher, Cindy	X					Simmons, Tina			X		
Keenan, Darlene		X				Sparrow, Julie	X				
Mannisto, Mark	X					Turner, Jim: Excused at 7:45P		X			

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	OS	TC	VC	A	R
Patti Pella: Director of Education	X				
Rousseau, Bruce: Superintendent of Business	X				
Tamblyn, David: Superintendent of Education			X		
Tsubouchi, Cathy: Manager of Accounting Services	X				
Chiupka, Wayne: Manager of Plant Services/Transportation	X				
Willcocks, Barb: Student Success Leader			X		
Paris, Marc: Coordinator of Maintenance			X		
Draper, Barb: Coordinator of Human Resources Services					X
Ross, Brad: Coordinator of Systems and Information Technology	X				
Joannette, Rose-Marie: Administrative Assistant / Communications	X				

**1.0 Roll Call**

Board Chair Julie Sparrow conducted roll call at 6:32 p.m. Members were present as noted above.

PART I: *Committee of the Whole Board*

*Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 6:30 p.m.*

**2.0 Disclosure of Interest: re Closed Session**

There were no disclosures of interest reported.

**3.0 Committee of the Whole Board** *(In-Camera Closed)*

*(Attached)*

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed  
**181/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (in-camera Section A) at 6:33 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

3.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

**182/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from a Committee of the Whole Board (in-camera Section A) at 7:15 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

*Section (B): – (open to public): 7:16 p.m.*

**4.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order**

**183/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 20, 2010 be called to order at 7:16 p.m.

Carried

**5.0 Approval of Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed) Report**

5.1 **184/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Committee of the Whole In-Camera Section A (Closed) Report.

Carried

**6.0 Approval of Agenda**

**185/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2010/10 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, October 18, 2010 be accepted and approved.

Carried

## **7.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session**

There were no disclosures of interest reported.

## **8.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings**

**186/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, the minutes of the following Board meetings be adopted:

- *Regular Board Meeting – September 20, 2010, and*

*That*, the minutes of the following Board Advisory and Standing Committees meetings be acknowledged as received

- *Special Education Advisory Committee – September 14, 2010*
- *Board Policy Review Committee – September 27, 2010*

Carried

## **9.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

### **9.1 Regular Board: September 20, 2010**

#### **Item 16.1: Notice of Motion to Revise Superior-Greenstone DSB Bylaws**

Director of Education Patti Pella noted that the revised Board Bylaws resulted from two professional development sessions wherein Trustees worked through a complete a revision of the document. The revision sees that the Board complies with Bill 177 Trustee Policy and Governance. As well, the ministry's Operational Review of the Board conducted in September had the issue of the Bylaw revision among the goals to attain which, as of the following motion comes to fruition.

**187/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Brown*

Second: *Trustee Simmons*

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone DSB proceed with a full revision to the Bylaws of Board, and that, the revised Board Bylaws be adopted, effective October 19, 2010.

Carried

## **10.0 Delegations and/or Presentations**

### **10.1 Early Learning Program at Margaret Twomey PS**

Principal Heidi Patterson provided a verbal report regarding the Early Learning at the school, which was one of among 600 schools in the province chosen for the ministry's Year 1 phase-in. The model includes a full-day program for 42 junior and senior kindergarten children in a classroom setting with one teacher and one early childhood educator (ECE). Typically, a day for the children includes early morning organization from where the group moves onto the fun room, also know as the common room. The fun room gives children access to a full play centre and smart technology for learning. She provided a handout with an outline of the daily routine for early learning at MTPS. With no parental demand the Extended Program, there is no ECE presence for before and after school program.

### **10.2 Student Trustees' Update**

10.2.1 Allison Pelletier: provided a verbal update, noting that the problem with heat in the classroom areas, which she reported in September, has now been addressed. Student Council is functional now with a number of Halloween activities on the docket. A move is afoot to gain more involvement by first nation students to expand their participation in school clubs like the choir, student council and peer-mediation groups. Brady Trottier has been chosen for student senate representative. Currently, there is a contest underway to rename the wings of the schools.

Ms. Pelletier noted that she and her student trustee colleagues are interested in attending the Ontario Student Trustees' Association Fall Annual Meeting in Toronto.

- 10.2.2 Daniela Carlino: provided a verbal update of events from both Lake Superior HS and Nipigon-Red Rock DHS. At NRHS welcome week activities including a "Lakers" theme dance on September 20<sup>th</sup> have all gone well. At LSHS, the atmosphere is positive. There is a Wednesday morning Breakfast Club where staff and students assemble for to eat healthy foods. Monthly events are planned to facilitate involvement and participation, such as the 80's Days event this past month. A Terry Fox bake sale raised \$500 for the Cancer Society. A student newspaper has started and cooperative education students have begun work on developing the school's website. A survey has been circulated to find out what students want to see up their website. Ms. Carlino noted that a concern has been raised about the lack of a lunchtime bus run between Terrace Bay and Schreiber. Co-op students used to have the service provided for transport to/fro placements outside of home communities. That is Terrace Bay students working in Schreiber or vice-versa.
- 10.2.3 Danielle Robinson: provided a verbal update for Manitouwadge HS and Marathon HS. MNHS Student Council has organized a Halloween Food Drive. It also helped raise \$200 for the Terry Fox Run and its Athletic Association plans to sell poppies door-to-door and take part in the Remembrance Day Parade in the community. MRHS had a Welcome Back BBQ and participation for Student Council has been great with a compliment of over 20 members this year. The students have organized several fundraising events to help offset cost for two classmates who are set to attend the World Karate Championship overseas. Ms. Robinson noted a concern about the availability of cab rides for students living in Heron Bay, some of whom need the service to partake in after-school extracurricular activities.

**188/10**

*Moved by: Trustee Brown*

*Second: Trustee Simmons*

**✓ That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB support the student trustees, Allison Pelletier, Daniela Carlino and Danielle Robinson in attending the OSTA Fall Conference, November 11 to 14, 2010 in Toronto and that expenses be paid according to policy.

Carried

## **11.0 Reports of the Business Committee**

*(Business Chair: D. Keenan)*

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

- 11.1 Report No 78: 2009-2010 Audit Plan  
Manager of Accounting Services Cathy Tsubouchi provided an overview of Report No. 78 reporting on the services to be provided during the external audit that is scheduled to take place the week of October 25, 2010. She noted the Public Sector Accounting Board process applies and this will be the first year that amortization of assets is being implemented as a component of the process.
- 11.2 Report No. 79: Disbursements – September 2010  
C. Tsubouchi provided a brief overview of this report presented for information, noting that expenditures for month include large numbers because the first progress payments were due for the B.A. Parker PS August construction.
- 11.3 Report No. 80: BA Parker PS Replacement Project- Update September 2010  
Manager of Plant Services Wayne Chiupka provided an overview of Report No. 80 noting that last month's student concern over heating is resolved. He encouraged students to speak to the school

Principal should their comfort level be a problem in the future. Phase 1 of the project is drawing to an end. Phase 2 construction will take place behind solid barriers, which means school population will not be exposed to the day-to-day construction developments in this phase.

11.4 Report No. 81: Five-Year Plans Project Update

W. Chiupka reviewed the report that provides an outline of the five-year capital project plans for the Plant Services Department. He noted that a significant portion of the B.A. Parker PS construction budget of \$5.3 million remains illustrated because timelines of the project have yet to pass.

**12.0 Reports of the Director of Education**

*Director of Education: Patti Pella*

12.1 Correspondence:

- 12.1.1 MOET to Mayor M. Power – August 23, 2010
- 12.1.2 NRHS Parent Council Annual Report – September 21, 2010
- 12.1.3 Queen Elizabeth II Aiming for Top Scholarships – September 22, 2010
- 12.1.4 MOET to SGDSB re Operational Review – September 30, 2010
- 12.1.5 MOET to SGDSB re New Trustee Orientation – October 4, 2010

P. Pella provided a brief explanation of each of the letters attached, noting that items included were for information purposes. She elaborated on the item regarding the Queen Elizabeth II Scholarships, extending congratulations to 12 Superior-Greenstone DSB students named for the post-secondary awards as follows:

- Geraldton Composite HS: Kelsey Donylyk, Sadie Gross and Savannah Duguay
- Lake Superior HS: Teshia Rochon and Doriana Veneziano
- Manitouwadge HS: Erik Jackson
- Marathon HS: Crystal Gingras, Brendon Needham and Samantha Keown
- Nipigon Red Rock DHS: Jenna Berube, Erin Kilar-Bearman and Harmony Kemp

Thank you notes from a several students who received bursary awards from their high schools in to pursue post-secondary education were read out as were notes from retired staff who received an “Inukshuk” retirement gift. Marathon HS staff and teachers also sent thanks for the luncheon they had in recognition of World Teacher Day.

**13.0 Reports of the Education Committee**

*(Education Chair: K. Notwell)*

*Superintendent of Education: David Tamblyn*

13.1 Report No. 82: 2010-2011 Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement

Barbara Willcocks, Student Success Leader and Nicole Morden-Cormier School Effectiveness Framework Leader provided a comprehensive review of Report No 82. They noted that Board Improvement Plan (BIP) process has changed with ministry directive to have a BIP document that encompasses kindergarten to grade 12 and that speaks to quality curriculum, assessment and evaluation. Both leaders provided information to illustrate how the two programs are set to align with student achievement from the elementary level through secondary.

13.2 Report No. 83: School Food and Beverage Policy

Assistant to the Director David Tamblyn gave an overview of Report No. 83 advising that the ministry focus on healthy schools has evolved over the last several years to the dictates of its Program and Policy Memorandum No. 150. Schools in our system, especially high school cafeteria vending machines and food service areas have since the beginning of the ministry initiative toward healthy learning environments been implementing changes. Vending machine

changeover from soda drinks to water and fruit juices and milk has been ongoing. However, with PPM 150 there is now a mandate to make healthy diets a part of the school curriculum. By September 2011 all provisions of PPM 150 must be in place in all schools across the province.

#### **14.0 Matters for Decision**

Board Chair: J. Sparrow

##### **14.1 Report No. 84: Personnel – October 18, 2010**

Board Chair Julie Sparrow noted that two motions were being brought forward from the in-camera closed discussions.

Trustee B. Bartlett asked that her vote be recorded on the following motion.

**189/10**

*Moved by: Trustee Brown*

*Second: Trustee Simmons*

**✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB provide the employees covered under the Terms and Conditions for Superintendents, Managers and Coordinators with a 3% salary increase on September 1, 2012 and a 3% salary increase on September 1, 2013, and that the money that has been forwarded to Superior-Greenstone DSB to fund this increase will be put aside for this purpose.**

Carried

Trustee Bartlett opposed this motion. Subsequent to this, the motion was carried by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees.

**190/10**

*Moved by: Trustee Brown*

*Second: Trustee Simmons*

**✓ That, Diane Williams is appointed Manager of Accounting Services for Superior-Greenstone DSB, effective November 15, 2010.**

Carried

#### **15.0 New Business**

##### **15.1 Board Chair**

Board Chair J. Sparrow advised that with the October 25, 2010 Municipal Elections the composition of the Board would change for a new term that starts on December 1 through to November 30 2014. Outgoing trustees will be honoured with a dinner served at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room before the November 15 Board Meeting starts.

##### **15.2 Correspondence:**

Nil

##### **15.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items**

Trustee M. Mannisto asked if digital recordings of board meetings could be explored with the intent to post the event on the board website.

Trustee B. Bartlett suggested a plan to organize a system-wide Pow-Wow in celebration and promotion of Aboriginal culture in our schools. The suggestion will be brought to the Native Education Advisory Committee as protocol dictates that organizing an event of this sort resides with an Aboriginal committee and not a board or school committee.

##### **15.4 Miscellaneous**

Nil

**16.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards**

**16.1 OPSBA**

Trustee D. Keenan provided a verbal report on various OPSBA related issues. She noted Armand Giguere has been awarded the Bernadine Yackman Award in recognition for his long-time service as a trustee with the once Caramat Area District School Board. The official presentation to him will take place at the OPSBA Public Education Symposium in January 2011. The 2011 Annual General Meeting takes place in Ottawa in July and is being organized in conjunction with the Canadian School Boards' Association. As well she advised that plans are underway to have the 2012 Annual General Meeting held in as yet undetermined Northern Ontario location.

**17.0 Observer Comments**

*(Members of the public limited to 2-minute address)*

17.1 **Pauline (Pinky) McRae:** Trustee-elect for the Marathon ward introduced herself to the board and gave a brief background of her involvement in the school community over the years she has resided in Marathon.

17.2 **Colleen Lemieux:** ETFO President thanked the board for the B.A. Parker PS upgrade report and said there is concern about the provisions to accommodate the number of children who could make up enrolment in the BAPS. Director of Education advised that this subject will be covered in a full report to the board in October.

**18.0 Adjournment**

**191/10**

Moved by: Trustee Brown

Second: Trustee Simmons

✓ **That,** the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2010/09 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, October 18, 2010 be adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Carried

2010 Board Meeting Schedule

<b>2010 Dates</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>		<b>2010 Dates</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Monday, November 15	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office (SGB0)		Friday, December 3	12:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office (SGB0)

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**Regular Board Meeting 2010/10**

Committee of the Whole Board: 6:30 p.m.

Monday, October 18, 2010

Designated Site: Board Meeting Room, Marathon, ON

**TOPICS**

**Board Chair:** Julie Sparrow

**Director:** Patti Pella

VC Sites at: GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / NRHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

Section (A): In-Camera – (closed to public) 6:33 p.m.

- 1.0 Personnel Report: (Trustee Queries re Personnel Report No. 84) (B. Draper)
- 2.0 Motion 174/10 Public Sector Compensation Restraint (P. Pella)
- 3.0 Property: B.A. Parker Public School (P. Pella)
- 4.0 Director Employment Contract (P. Pella)

**Regular Board Meeting 2010-10**

Monday, October 18, 2010

**MINUTES**

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR