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-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 2008/06

Committee of Whole Board (Closed In-Camera)

6:30 p.m.

Follows conclusion of In-Camera

MINUTES

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

Designated Site: Nipigon Red Rock District High School, Red Rock ON

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto

Director: Patti Pella

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joanette

VC Sites at: BRD / GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / LSHS

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

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

PART II: Committee of Whole Board

Section (B): In-Committee – (open to public): TBA

PART III: Regular Board Meeting

Section (C): – (open to public): TBA

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1.0 **Roll Call**  
The Board Chair Mark Mannisto conducted roll call at 6.34 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 offered at this time

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

3.1 **Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed**

   **137/08**  
   Moved by: Trustee C. Brown  
   Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow
   ✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 6:39 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

   *Carried*

3.2 **Rise and Report from Closed Session**

   **138/08**  
   Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow  
   Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown
   ✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 7:24 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

   *Carried*

**PART II: Committee of the Whole Board**  
Section (B): In-Committee – (open to public): N/A

4.0 **Committee of Whole Board: Section B**  
No Reports

**PART III: Regular Board Meeting**  
Section (C): – (opens to public): TBA

5.0 **Regular Meeting Call to Order**  
Board Chair M. Mannisto called the regular meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Due to the length of the in-camera, closed session and with the consent of the Board, agenda Item No. 12.0, the presentation entitled, Turtle Concepts was scheduled at this time, while Agenda Items 6.0 through 11.0 followed thereafter.

6.0 **Delegation and/or Presentation: Part 1**

6.1 **Excellence in Education: NRHS: Turtle Concepts**

Nipigon-Red Rock DHS Vice Principal Barbara Willcocks reported on the Turtle Concepts, an Education and Leadership training developed by Dave Jones an Ojibwe of Anishnabe Nation. The training focuses young Aboriginal people on the concept that, it is their right to feel good about themselves. Ms. Willcocks reported that the NRHS included the sessions this year as a component under the Aboriginal Transitions grant. The training includes developing social skills,
leadership skills, communication skills and self esteem and help youth to recognize and celebrate good choices in education.

Teacher Carole Davies provided a brief report on how the program evolved at NRHS. Student participant, Brendon Hardy, provided his perspective on the impact the program has had on student.

Mr. Hardy reported that the program has inspired him to complete high school and he has begun a project to illustrate and children’s book.

In a survey taken after the sessions, students were overwhelming positive in their assessment of the impact the program had on them.

With the experience of the program this year, Ms. Willcocks advised that additional proposals to the Ministry be in the offing to access funding to expand the program in our system.

139/08
Moved by: Trustee C. Brown Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the Excellence in Education report on Turtle Concepts presented by Barb Willcocks.

Carried

7.0 Approval of Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed) Report
140/08
Moved by: Trustee T. Simmons Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed) Report.

Carried

8.0 Approval of Committee of the Whole (Open) Report
No reports were forthcoming under Item 4.0.

9.0 Approval of Agenda
141/08
Moved by: Trustee C. Brown Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell
✓ That, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2008/06 Regular Board Meeting, May 20, 2008 be accepted and approved.

Carried

10.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session
There were no disclosures of interest offered at this time.

11.0 Minutes
11.1 Board Meetings:
11.1.1 2008/05 Regular Board – April 21, 2008
142/08
Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett
✓ That, the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting be adopted:
• 2008/04 Regular Board, Monday, April 21, 2008

Carried
11.2 Statutory Committee Meetings
No Reports

11.3 Standing Committee Meetings
No Reports

12.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

12.1 April 21, 2008 Board Meeting: Item 19.1.2: OPSBA Trustee Appointments

143/08
Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB appoint the following two trustees as OPSBA Director and Alternate Director (respectively), to serve concurrently and respectively as the OPSBA Voting Delegate and Alternate Voting Delegate for the period of May 21, 2008 to May 29, 2009: Darlene Keenan and Cindy Fisher

Carried

13.0 Delegations and/or Presentations (Con’t)

13.1 Student Trustee Update

(Verbal – L. Hunking and/or S. Whent)
Trustee Stacey Whent reported that the process to determine the 2008-2009 Student Trustees is underway. Five students have submitted an application expressing interest in the positions. Student Trustee Lenay Hunking and S. Whent have schedule interviews with the candidates with the expectation that three names will come forward for appointment at the June Board Meeting.

144/08
Moved by: Trustee T. Simmons Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal report from Student Trustees, Stacey Whent and Lenay Hunking.

Carried

14.0 Reports of the Director of Education

(Director: Patti Pella)

14.1 Report No. 36: Principal / Vice-Principal Staffing 2008-2009
Director Patti Pella advised that school enrolment continue to be a primary guiding principle in determining current school administration model. The model established this year would be maintained in 2008-2009.

145/08
Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 36: Principal / Vice-Principal Staffing 2008-2009.

Carried

146/08
Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the Principal / Vice-Principal Staffing 2008-2009 as presented.

Carried
14.2 **2008 School Graduation Dates**
Director Pella advised that schools have set graduation dates. The graduation list will be sent out to all. Trustee are encouraged to attend in their locales as often they would be called upon to present certificates, diplomas and or scholarships at the secondary panel.

*147/08*

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown  
Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the verbal report by Patti Pella on 2008 School Graduation Dates as information.

Carried

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15.0 **Reports of the Education Committee**

*Superintendent of Education:*

Superintendent of Education reported that after compiling feedback provided from last month’s Preliminary Elementary Teaching Staff Proposal there have been some revisions to the 2008-09 proposal. An additional 3.5 FTE teachers have been added to address the needs at the Beardmore, Dorion, Manitouwadge, Red Rock, Schreiber, Terrace Bay and George O’Neill Public Schools.

*148/08*

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett  
Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons


Carried

149/08

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell  
Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the Final Elementary Teaching Staff Proposal 2008-2009 as presented.

Carried

C. Kappel reported on the proposed staffing for Educational Assistants (EA's) noting that the final assignment of would be determined based on the needs presented upon school start up in September 2008.

*150/08*

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett  
Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 38: Educational Assistant Projected Staff Proposal 2008-29009 for discussion purposes.

Carried

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16.0 **Reports of the Business Committee**

*Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau*

Manager of Plant Wayne Chiupka advised that the only school on well water system is Dorion Public School and as such must undergo annual Ministry of Environment testing. As in past years, the water report for DOPS is good.
151/08
Moved by: Trustee T. Simmons Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

Carried

16.2 Report No. 40: Tender Closing: NRHS Roof
W. Chiupka reported that partial roof replacements at Nipigon-Red Rock DHS have been on the annual maintenance list for a number of years; this year the section to be replaced is on the family studies and shop areas.

152/08
Moved by: Trustee J. Turner Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett
✓ That, Superior-Greenstone DSB Board receives Report No. 40: Partial Roof Replacement (NRHS) as presented.

Carried

153/08
Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Partial Roof Replacement NRHS Tender to Racco Industrial Roofing, in the amount of one hundred and nine thousand, three hundred twenty eight dollars ($109,328.00), GST extra.

Carried

W. Chiupka reported that the last bus operator has agreed to the contract terms, completing the negotiations for transportation this year.

154/08
Moved by: Trustee J. Turner Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

Carried

155/08
Moved by: Trustee C. Brown Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons
✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the 2007-2008 Transportation Contracts as follows (GST extra).
   • Greenstone Transfer Ltd. …….$ 314,689

Carried

17.0 Matters for Decision
Board Chair: M. Mannisto

17.1 Report No.: 42: Disbursements – April 2008
156/08
Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

Carried

**157/08**

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 43: Personnel, dated May 20, 2008.

**Carried**

158/08

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 43A: Personnel, dated May 20, 2008

**Carried**

18.0 New Business

18.1 Chair

18.1.1 Board Reports

Board Chair Mark Mannisto advised that in consultation with the Director changes are underway to incorporate Board Reports with the Board meeting minutes and agendas being posted to the website.

18.1.2 Police Gang Unit Presentation

M. Mannisto reported attending a presentation by the Thunder Bay police gang unit. He said the session could be of interest to system students and parents. If requested, Officer Shawn Mulligan is amenable to doing the presentation in our system schools.

18.2 Correspondence

18.2.1 Township of Schreiber, May 1/08

M. Mannisto noted that the Township of Schreiber has requested that the school review contemplated for 2008-2009 for Schreiber/ Terrace Bay include committee representatives from both of the municipalities with the potential to be affected by the outcome.

Policy 905 Pupil Accommodation will be reviewed by the Board Policy Review Committee in order to address this in the section that outlines School Review Committee membership.

18.2.2 Marathon School Council

At the April 21, 2008 Board Meeting, Michael Clancy, a citizen of Marathon made a presentation addressing the lack of financial support for student sports team travel on those occasions when a championship berth is won at the NWOSSA level. The Marathon High School Council has written to the board in support of Mr. Clancy's position. The Board agreed to write to the both the Minister of Education and Michael Gravelle (local M.P.P.) to outline the barriers that exist for northern Ontario student travel to championship events in extra-curricular activities.

**159/08**

Moved by: Trustee J. Turner Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB communicate to the Ministry of Education, and the local MPP regarding the barriers to funding faced by students who participate in extra-curricular activities and that this correspondence be circulated to all SGDSB parent councils and Mr. Michael Clancy.

**Carried**

18.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items
Director Patti Pella reminded the trustees that the next board meeting venue is at the Marathon Board Meeting Room and it will be help on Monday, June 23, 2008.

19.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

19.1 OPSBA
19.1.1 Reminder: OPSBA AGM: June 12-15, 2008

20.0 Observer Comments

20.1 Deb Nyman – Parent RRPS
Ms. Nyman commented that the board must continue to be diligent in regard to the special education needs of students enrolled in board schools. She noted that she is concerned about the retention of quality time for special needs students and the EA’s there to assist, especially at this time when classes are including triple and quadrupled grades. She appreciates the answers she has received by attending this meeting.

21.0 Adjournment
160/08
Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan
✓ That, ✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2008/06 Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 20, 2008 be adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Carried

Schedule: 2008 Board Meeting

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Regular Board Meeting 2008/06
Committee of the Whole Board: 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 20, 2008
Designated Site: Manitouwadge High School, Manitouwadge ON

TOPICS

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto                      Director: Patti Pella
VC Sites at: BRD / GCHS / LSHS / NRHS
Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joanette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

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

1.0 Personnel Report: (Trustee Queries re Personnel Report No. 43) (B. Draper)

2.0 Provincial Negotiations Framework

PART II: Committee of Whole Board

Section (B): In-Committee – (open to public): TBA

1.0 No Reports

In-Committee and Regular Board Meeting 2008/06

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

MINUTES

APPROVED THIS ________ DAY OF ______________, 2008

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                                      SECRETARY                             CHAIR