



SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Our Mission:

“Working together to engage students through meaningful learning and empower them to build the skills They need to be successful today and in the future”.

Our Vision:

“To meet the needs of all learners while Sparking curiosity and joy in learning”.

Our Motto:

“Small schools make a difference”.

Our Values:

- “Positive, professional relationships & sense of team
- Kindness with expectations
- Learner mindset & dedication to ongoing innovation
- Belief that experience teaches, engages & connects”.

Special Board Meeting 02/2026 M I N U T E S

Monday, April 13, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

Videoconference & Teleconference

Microsoft Teams meeting
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| Board Chair: Pinky McRae | Director: Will Goodman |
| Location: Board Office, Videoconference & Teleconference | Recorder: G. Christianson |

PART I: Special Board Meeting

Section (A): – (open to public): 6:30 p.m.

1.0 Roll Call

| <u>Trustees</u> | <i>Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | OS | TC | VC | A | R | | OS | TC | VC | A | R |
| Brunskill, Dr. Megan | x | | | | | Nesbitt, Jason | | | x | | |
| Fairservice, Dan (<i>censure</i>) | | | | | | Pristanski, Kal | | | x | | |
| Jarvis, Allison | | | x | | | Michano, Julie | | | | | x |
| Liscomb, Pat | | | x | | | Anthony, Miley (Student) | | | x | | |
| McRae, Pinky | x | | | | | McLeod, Rylee (Student) | | | | | x |
| Hardy, Pam | | | x | | | Sabourin, Sam (Student) | | | | | x |

| <u>Board Administrators</u> | <i>Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)</i> | | | | |
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| | OS | TC | VC | A | R |
| Goodman, William: <i>Director of Education</i> | x | | | | |
| Leroux, Carole: <i>Superintendent of Education</i> | | | x | | |
| Love-Jedruch, Flora: <i>Superintendent of Education</i> | | | x | | |
| Marton, Alex: <i>Superintendent of Business</i> | | | x | | |
| Balog, Tara: <i>Assistant Superintendent</i> | | | x | | |
| Brewster, Annick: <i>Assistant Superintendent</i> | | | x | | |
| Harris, Brent: <i>Assistant Superintendent</i> | | | x | | |
| Muir, Gordon: <i>Manager of Plant Services/Transportation</i> | | | x | | |
| Kashak, Doug: <i>Manager of Mental Health</i> | | | x | | |
| Dee, Christine: <i>Team Lead – Payroll Services</i> | x | | | | |
| Chouinard, Connie: <i>Team Lead – Business Services</i> | | | | | x |
| Nault, Denis: <i>Manager of Human Resources</i> | | | x | | |
| Lucas, Jay: <i>Team Lead - Information Technology Services</i> | | | x | | |
| Kitchener, Nick: <i>Manager of Information Technology</i> | | | x | | |
| Bartlett, Shy-Anne: <i>Manager of Indigenous Education</i> | | | x | | |
| Christianson, GerriLynn: <i>Executive Assistant & Communications Coordinator</i> | x | | | | |
| Zeleny, Lisa: <i>Executive Assistant</i> | | | x | | |

Land Acknowledgement

Manager of Facilities Gord Muir provided a land acknowledgement.

2.0 Special Meeting Call to Order

A clerical error was made on the agenda. Item 2.0 should read as “Special Meeting Call to Order.”

51/26

Moved by: *Trustee J. Nesbitt* Second: *Trustee A. Jarvis*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Special Board Meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, be called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Carried

3.0 Trustee Attendance

52/26

Moved by: *Trustee K. Pristanski* Second: *Trustee P. Hardy*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone District School Board approves the absence of Trustee Jason Nesbitt, Kal Pristanski, Pamela Hardy, Allison Jarvis, Julie Michano and Pat Liscomb from the Special Board Meeting scheduled for April 13, 2026, and that the Trustee be recorded as “excused with approval of the Board,” in accordance with Section 228(1)(d) and Regulation 313/24 of the Education Act.

Carried

4.0 Approval of Agenda

53/26

Moved by: *Trustee P. Hardy* Second: *Trustee J. Nesbitt*

✓ **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 02/2026 Special Board Meeting, April 13, 2026, be accepted and approved.

Carried

5.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest offered at this time.

6.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings**6.1 Board Meeting Minutes**

54/26

Moved by: *Trustee K. Pristanski* Second: *Trustee M. Brunskill*

✓ **That**, the minutes of the following Board Meeting be adopted as presented:

1. Regular Board Meeting 2026/04: February 23, 2026;
2. Special Board Meeting 02/2026: March 30, 2026;

Carried

6.2 Board Committee Meeting Minutes**6.2.1 Committee Meeting Minutes**

55/26

Moved by: *Trustee M. Brunskill* Second: *Trustee A. Jarvis*

✓ **That**, the minutes of the following Board Committee meetings be acknowledged as received:

1. Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting February 10, 2026
2. Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting March 10, 2026

Carried

6.2.2 Board Policy Review Committee: March 3, 2026

56/26

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

✓ That, the Board accepts the recommendations outlined in the Board Policy Review Committee minutes of March 3, 2025, and approves as reviewed:

- P – 212 Observer Comments
- P – 207 Lines of Communication
- P – 707 Employee Code of Conduct
- P – 720 Workplace Violence
- P – 308 Student Fees
- P – 410 Security
- P – 411 Display of Flags
- P – 522 Scholarship and Trust Funds
- P – 717 Workplace Harassment & Human Rights
- P – 706 Health and Safety
- P – 501 Visitors to School
- P – 515 School Councils
- P – 538 Food and Beverage
- P – 542 Ryan's Law: Ensuring Asthma Friendly Schools
- P – 524 Sabrina's Law: Anaphylaxis
- P – 549 Erin's Law: Sexual Abuse Prevention and Reporting
- P – 511 Student Questionnaires - REDUNDANT
- P – 512 Student Exchanges - REDUNDANT

to be posted to the Board website with an implementation date of April 14, 2026, and all of which shall supersede any previous policies.

Carried

7.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

7.1 Trustee Attendance – February 24, 2026, Regular Board Meeting

57/26

Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill

Second: Trustee P. Hardy

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone District School Board approves the absence of Trustee Pat Liscomb from the Regular Board Meeting on February 24, 2026, and that the Trustee be recorded as "excused with approval of the Board," in accordance with Section 228(1)(d) and Regulation 313/24 of the Education Act.

Carried

8.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

8.1 Showcasing Learning: Technology Enabled Learning and Teaching - Digital Literacy

A video presentation was prepared by Stacey Wallwin, Technology Enabled Learning and Teaching Principal, that highlighted digital literacy and showcased students and staff discussing their digital learning experiences. The Director introduced the video and highlighted the importance of the monthly theme of Digital Literacy and its connection to our Multi-Year Strategic Plan Pillar, Joy in Teaching and Learning.

8.2 Excellence in Education: Lake Superior High School - Digital Literacy - Joy in Teaching and Learning

Principal Amy Buchan, of Lake Superior High School, presented an overview of the school's ongoing work in Digital Literacy. The presentation highlighted initiatives that foster joy in learning and support students in navigating future pathways with confidence. Emphasis was placed on the use of digital tools to support diverse learners, including targeted approaches to support Indigenous students. Principal Buchan also outlined efforts to strengthen community connections and enhance communication, with a focus on empowering students to actively shape the future

they will lead. Principal Buchan shared the work the school has done throughout the year for Digital Literacy that bring joy to learning, navigate future pathways with confidence. Digital tools support diverse learners. Supporting Indigenous Students Using digital literacy. Community Connections, and Communications. Empowering students to shape the future they will lead.

8.3 Special Board Report No. 29: Student Trustee Report: March 2026

Student Trustee Miley Anthony shared a brief update on behalf of the Student Trustees, highlighting the February Student Senate meeting where Mentimeter was used to gather student feedback on the cell phone policy, with most students expressing support. Feedback indicated that staff have implemented the policy positively. She noted school visits in the Greenstone region, which provided valuable insights and strengthened connections across schools. Miley also shared plans to use more Q&A-style formats to encourage participation, along with upcoming Student Trustee elections on April 30. The report concluded with recognition of the Trustees' growth and continued efforts to engage students across the district.

9.0 Reports and Matters for Decision

9.1 Board Committee Reports: (Statutory / Standing / Ad Hoc)

9.1.1 Special Education Advisory Committee Report

9.1.1.1 Correspondence from TDSB SEAC Feb 25, 2026

The Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) report provided by Trustee Megan Brunskill highlighted the April 7, 2026 meeting, where members reviewed correspondence from the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) SEAC. At request, the letter was brought forward to the Board for broader awareness and discussion regarding advocacy and governance. While SEAC determined the issues outlined do not directly impact the Board at this time, concerns were noted regarding communication, transparency, and limited opportunities for public feedback under supervision models. The discussion emphasized the importance of Trustee awareness, particularly in the context of upcoming legislative changes such as Bill 101, and the need for clear accountability and feedback pathways. The next SEAC meeting is scheduled for May 5, 2026.

9.1.2 Board Policy Review Committee Report

Trustee Allison Jarvis provided an update from the Board Policy Review Committee, noting the March 3, 2026 meeting and completion of work to review existing policies within the 2026 review cycle. It was noted that the September meeting may not proceed, and any new policies must be developed and approved within the same term, as policy approvals cannot occur during the election period. The next meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2026.

9.1.3 Occupational Health and Safety Committee Report

The Occupational Health and Safety Committee last met on March 25, 2026, with the next meeting scheduled for June 3, 2026. Discussions focused on slip and trip prevention, including ongoing campaigns to promote preparedness for changing weather conditions and access to safety equipment such as cleats, as well as addressing concerns related to third-party contractors.

10.0 Reports of the Business / Negotiations Committee

*Superintendent of Business: Alex Marton
Assistant Superintendent: Brent Harris*

10.1 Capital Projects 2025-2026 Update

A verbal update on Capital Projects was provided by Superintendent of Business Alex Marton. It was noted that larger projects remain in the tendering phase, with a formal report to be brought forward in late April or May, and that work continues to progress based on plans reviewed in October.

10.2 Special Board Report No. 30: 2025-2026 Employee Recognition

Superintendent Alex Marton provided an overview of staff recognition initiatives, including service awards for 10–25 years of service and the upcoming Excellence Awards on May 8. It was noted that the enhanced recognition approach, including choice-based awards, has been well received by staff.

10.3 Special Board Report No. 31: 2025-2026 Budget Addition, Support Staff

58/26

Moved by: *Trustee M. Brunskill*

Second: *Trustee K. Pristanski*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having received Special Board Report No. 31, 2025-2026 Budget Addition - Support Staff, approve the proposed addition of a 1.0 FTE Education Assistant, for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

Carried

10.5 Special Board Report No. 32: Estimates 2026-2027 Special Assignment Teacher Staffing

59/26

Moved by: *Trustee K. Pristanski*

Second: *Trustee A. Jarvis*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having received Special Board Report No. 32, Estimates 2026-2027 – Special Assignment Teacher Staffing, approve the budget addition for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year as presented.

Carried

Trustee Pat Liscomb joined the meeting at 6:54 p.m. and by consensus, was added to Resolution Number 52/26, along with Trustee Julie Michano who was missed in error at the time of the resolution.

11.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Director of Education: William Goodman

11.1 Special Report No. 33: Director's Monthly Report: March 2026

Director Will Goodman provided a review of the Director's Monthly Report for March, highlighting the theme of Digital Literacy, emphasizing the joy in learning and teaching across the district. The report recognized the many opportunities being created for students and staff, noting the importance of balancing technology with human connection. The Director expressed appreciation to Stacey Wallwin for her leadership in supporting Digital Literacy.

12.0 Reports of the Education Committee

Superintendent of Education: Carole Leroux

Superintendent of Education: Flora Love-Jedruch

Assistant Superintendent: Tara Balog

Assistant Superintendent: Annick Brewster

12.1 Special Board Report No. 34: Math Achievement Action Plan Endorsement

Assistant Superintendent Tara Balog provided a high-level review of mid-year student achievement data, noting early indications of improvement, including increased student confidence. The work continues to be guided by multiple data sources, including diagnostic assessments, to inform next steps. Updates included a recent Ministry math visit highlighting strong practices across the district and the positive impact of the math coaching model, which supports student-centered, responsive instruction. It was noted that coaching supports are shared across schools and that similar models are being explored in early years literacy and through learning leads to further enhance job-embedded professional learning.

60/26

Moved by: *Trustee M. Brunskill*

Second: *Trustee P. Liscomb*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having Received Special Board Report No. 34, endorse the Math Achievement Action Plan as presented.

Carried

12.2 Special Board Report No. 35: 2026-2027 Proposed Elementary Staffing

Superintendent of Education Flora Love-Jedruch presented the proposed Elementary Teaching Staffing report for September 2026. The Superintendent highlighted the consultation process

conducted to determine the staffing needs of the schools and classroom configurations. A review was provided of the estimated student enrollment numbers and the impact to staffing. The final report will be presented at the April 27, 2026 Regular Board meeting.

- 12.3 Special Board Report No. 36: 2026-2027 Proposed Secondary Staffing
Superintendent of Education Carole Leroux presented the proposed secondary staffing for the 2026-2027 school year. The staffing is presented in accordance with the contractual agreements and the protected staffing complement. The Superintendent noted that the enrollment is determined based on average daily enrollment and future projections. The staffing reflects the requirements of Policy Memorandum 167 with the requirement for two e-learning courses. The final report will be presented at the Regular Board meeting on April 27, 2026.

13.0 New Business

Board Chair: P. McRae

13.1 Board Chair

13.1.1 Trustee Professional Development

13.1.1.1 CSBA Application Chair McRae

A copy of the application was provided in the agenda package for review.

13.1.1.2 CSBA Application Trustee Pristanski

61/26

Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill

Second: Trustee P. Liscomb

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB, approves the applications of Trustee McRae and Trustee Pristanski for travel to and attend the Canadian School Board Association Congress National Trustee Gathering on July 4-6, 2026, as presented.

Carried

13.1.2 Correspondence: SGDSB Trustee Advocacy Letter March 9, 2026

A copy of the letter sent to Municipalities and MPP's was included in the agenda package for review.

Trustees requested the Director provide an Executive Summary regarding the proposed legislation presented by the Ministry of Education on April 13.

13.1.3 Correspondence: SGDSB Trustee Advocacy Letter Responses

Provided for information.

13.1.4 Provincial School Board Governance Consultation Process

In previous correspondence received by OPSBA, a resolution was proposed for a letter to Minister of Education. Given the recent announcement, the proposed resolution and letter are no longer required.

13.1.5 Update: Correspondence from Trustee Fairservice RE: Professional Development

Correspondence dated March 10 from Trustee Fairservice regarding Professional Development sanction was received and reviewed. The Board directed the Chair and Director to follow up for clarification on next steps, with an update to be brought forward at a future meeting.

13.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

13.2.1 OPSBA Board of Directors Update

Trustee Nesbitt provided an update regarding the upcoming northern meeting to be held with those west of Sault Ste. Marie, nothing a transition to a new structure with future meetings splitting into two groups and the selection of a Chair for each. It was also noted that OPSBA is looking to implement monthly meetings with Board Chairs and Directors.

13.2.2 OPSBA Trustee Appointments

The appointments are currently in place until May. The new appointments will begin as of June 2026 for the 2026-2027 term.

13.2.2.1 Trustee Appointments for OPSBA Voting Delegate

62/26

Moved by: Trustee P. Liscomb Second: Trustee K. Pristanski

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB appoint Trustee Jason Nesbitt to serve as its Voting Delegate to OPSBA effective for the 2026-2027 Term of Office.

Carried

13.2.2.2 Trustee Appointment for OPSBA Alternate Voting Delegate

63/26

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt Second: Trustee P. Liscomb

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB appoint Trustee Allison Jarvis to serve as its Alternate Voting Delegate to OPSBA for the 2026-2027 Term of Office.

Carried

13.2.3 OPSBA Call for Policy Resolutions and By-Law Amendments

Included in the Board agenda was the Policy Resolutions and By-Law Amendments request from OPSBA. The full details were emailed to Trustees from OPSBA on March 23. The deadline to submit any proposed revisions was April 13, 2026.

14.0 Adjournment

64/26

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt Second: Trustee P. Liscomb

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 02/2026 Special Board Meeting, Monday, April 13, 2026 adjourn at 8:10, p.m.

Carried

| <u>2026 - Board Meetings</u> | | |
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| Board Office or Designated Site indicated in schedule. Time 6:30 p.m. | | |
| Monday, April 27, 2026 | | Monday, May 25, 2026 <i>*Designate Site: Manitouwadge High School</i> |
| Monday, June 22, 2026 | Monday, July 13, 2026 | Monday, August 24, 2026 |
| Monday, September 21, 2026 <i>*Designate Site: SGDSB Learning Centre</i> | Monday, October 19, 2026 | Monday, November 9, 2026 (1:00 p.m.) <i>*Designate Site: Board Office</i> |
| Monday, December 7, 2026 | | |

Special Board Meeting 2026-02

Monday, April 13, 2026

MINUTES

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026

SECRETARY

CHAIR