



# SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**Our Mission:**

*"In SGDSB we are learners. Everything we do is designed to help all students succeed and make a difference. We build positive places for learning and working... together".*

**Our Vision:**

*"Inspiring our students to succeed and make a difference".*

**Our Motto:**

*"Small schools make a difference".*

**Our Values:**

*"Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Critical Thinking".*

## Regular Board Meeting 2019/04

### MINUTES

Monday, March 25, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

Designated Site: Superior-Greenstone District School Board Learning Centre, 46 Salls Street, Red Rock, ON

#### Videoconference Site Locations

Superior-Greenstone District School Board(SGDSB) ..... 12 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON  
 Manitouwadge High School ..... (MNHS) ..... 200 Manitou Road W., Manitouwadge, ON  
 Lake Superior High School ..... (LSHS) ..... Hudson Drive, Terrace Bay, ON  
 SGDSB Learning Centre ..... (SGDSBLC) ..... 46 Salls Street, Red Rock, ON  
 Geraldton Composite High School ..... (GCHS) ..... 500 Second Street West, Geraldton, ON

**Board Chair:** Pinky McRae

**Interim Director:** Nicole Morden Cormier

VC Sites: Board Office / LSHS / GCHS / MNHS / SGDSBLC

Recorder: G. Christianson

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

Section (A): – (open to public): 6:30 p.m.  
 Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 8:00 p.m.

### 1.0 Roll Call

<b>Trustees</b>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)										
	OS	TC	VC	A	R		OS	TC	VC	A	R
Furoy, Logan (Student)					x	McRae, Pauline (Pinky)			x		
Groulx, Michael	x					Nesbitt, Jason		x			
Major, Christine				x		Pelletier, Allison			x		
Mannisto, Mark		x				Pristanski, Kal					X
McIntyre, Margaret			x			Rathwell, Stephanie (Student)			x		
First Nation Trustee (Vacant)											

<b>Board Administrators</b>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	OS	TC	VC	A	R
Morden Cormier, Nicole: <i>Interim Director of Education</i>	x				
Tsubouchi, Cathy: <i>Superintendent of Business</i>	x				
Bishop, Charlie: <i>Superintendent of Education</i>	x				
Goodman, William: <i>Interim Superintendent of Education</i>	x				
Williams, Dianne: <i>Manager of Accounting Services</i>					x
Paris, Marc: <i>Manager of Plant Services/Transportation</i>			x		
Demers, Linda: <i>Coordinator of Business Services</i>					x
Lucas, Jay: <i>Coordinator of Information Technology Services</i>			x		
Christianson, GerriLynn: <i>Administrative Assistant to Director</i>			x		

**2.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order****43/19**

Moved by: Trustee M. McIntyre

Second: Trustee M. Groulx

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 25, 2019 be called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Carried**3.0 Approval of Agenda****44/19**

Moved by: Trustee M. Mannisto

Second: Trustee M. Groulx

✓ **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2019/04 Regular Board Meeting, March 25, 2019 be accepted and approved.

Carried**4.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session**

Nil.

**5.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings****5.1 Board Meetings****45/19**

Moved by: Trustee M. Groulx

Second: Trustee M. Pelletier

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

1. Regular Board Meeting 2019/03: February 19, 2019

Carried**5.2 Board Policy Review Committee: March 5, 2019****46/19**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee M. Groulx

✓ **That**, the Board accepts the recommendations outlined in the Board Policy Review Committee minutes of March 5, 2019 and approves as reviewed:

- P-201 Procedural By-Laws
- P-208 Trustee Attendance at Conferences
- P-508 Administration of Medication to Students
- P-534 Boil Water Advisory
- P-304 Surplus Equipment, Furniture and Books
- P-309 Investments
- P-707 Employee Code of Conduct
- P-609 Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition

to be posted to the Board website with an implementation date of March 26, 2019, and all of which shall supersede any previous policies.

Carried**6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes****6.1 Update - Trustee Professional Development**

Board Chair P. McRae advised Trustees that the Professional Development session would begin on Friday, April 26, 2019. The session will be facilitated by retired Director of Education of the Lakehead Public School Board, Kathy Siemieniuk. Trustees were asked to contact the Administrative Assistant to confirm if accommodations are required. If a Trustee is unable to attend on site, then they are requested to contact the Board Chair so that alternate arrangements can be made. The Trustee Professional Development agenda topics will include policy, good governance, roles and responsibilities, etc.

## 6.2 Motion Re: Superior-Greenstone DSB Procedural Bylaw - AMENDMENT

“Electronic Meetings:

Insert: “Board and Committee Chairs may preside over meetings electronically if any of the following applies:

- The distance from the Chair’s current residence to the meeting location is 200 km or greater;
- Weather conditions do not allow the chair to travel to the meeting location safely;
- The Chair cannot be physically present at a meeting due to health-related issues.

No more than half of Board or Committee Meetings in a 12-month period can be chaired electronically.”

**47/19**

*Moved by: Trustee M. Groulx*

*Second: Trustee M. Mannisto*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the revision to Board Bylaws: Article VI- Meetings, Section 7 - Electronic Meetings, as presented.

Carried

## **7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations**

### 7.1 Showcasing Learning: Nipigon-Red Rock District High School

Presentation Entitled: Culminating Activity for Art by Jernie Benson

Interim Director of Education N. Morden Cormier presented the stop motion video presentation created by student Jernie Benson. The video demonstrated the high level of technical and artistic opportunities available to students.

### 7.2 Excellence in Education: Marjorie Mills Public School - MMPS Water Protectors

Principal Bev Vachon and Teacher Kristan McMahan presented their video that provided information regarding the Water Protectors project. The innovative and collaborative project was developed by K. McMahan and her Grade 6/7/8 class. The project promotes culture, stewardship and student leadership and is based on the book Water Protectors by author Joan Robinson. Throughout the project, students conducted a variety of studies on their local lake such as water testing samples and eco system studies. The video was created by the students to help raise awareness around the importance of protecting area lakes and rivers. The group will be participating in a water walk on May 24, 2019.

### 7.3 Update – Student Trustees

Student Trustee S. Rathwell provided a verbal report. She reviewed the activities of the Student Senate which included the March 6, 2019 Student Trustee Elections.

## **8.0 Reports and Matters for Decision**

### 8.1 Board Committee Reports: (Statutory / Standing / Ad Hoc)

#### 8.1.1 Board Policy Review Committee (BPRC)

The meeting was held on March 5, 2019. N. Morden Cormier provided a review of the meeting minutes. The next meeting is June 4, 2019.

#### 8.1.2 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

The meeting was held on March 21, 2019. The committee could not establish quorum. W. Goodman noted that the members in attendance received a presentation from the child psychologist as scheduled and reviewed the agenda topics.

## **9.0 Reports of the Business / Negotiations Committee**

Nil.

*Superintendent of Business: Cathy Tsubouchi  
Business /Negotiations Chair: Mark Mannisto*

## **10.0 Reports of the Director of Education**

*Interim Director of Education: Nicole Morden Cormier*

### 10.1 Report No. 24: Director's Monthly Report – March 2019

Interim Director of Education N. Morden Cormier provided a detailed review of the submitted report. She noted that the work highlighted in the report demonstrates the operation of the strategic plan and the innovative learning experiences teachers are providing our students.

### 10.2 2019-2021 Student Trustee Appointment

The Director reviewed the proceedings of the recent Student Trustee Election conducted by the Student Senate. Sydney Schwantz was elected by the Student Senators for the position of Student Trustee and recommend to the Board her appointment for the term of 2019-2021.

**48/19**

*Moved by: Trustee M. McIntyre*

*Second: Trustee M. Groulx*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB accept the appointment of Sydney Schwantz from Marathon High School to serve as the 2019-2021 Student Trustee, effective for the period of August 1, 2019 to July 31, 2021.

Carried

### 10.3 The New Vision for Education

The Director provided a verbal report regarding the recent Ministry of Education announcements made during the March break of their new vision for education. She reviewed the items outlined in the memo which included the following; increase class sizes, mandatory 4 e-learning classes, broadband technology expansion, banning of cell phones, and changes to the Math curriculum. She noted that many of the items contained in the memo require additional consultation before the Ministry of Education can provide details about the proposed changes. Senior administration will continue to monitor this matter closely and advocate for student needs where required.

### 10.4 Report No. 25: Strategic Plan Baseline Report – Stewardship

The Senior Administration team provided an extensive review of the Strategic Plan Baseline Report and the PowerPoint presentation provided. This report highlighted the work completed this year and in past years under the stewardship pillar such as outdoor learning spaces, energy monitoring, student leadership opportunities, measuring our operational practices to increase our efficiencies, experiential learning activities, increased exposure to trades and apprenticeships and the quality programs provided for our students.

## **11.0 Reports of the Education Committee**

*Superintendent of Education: Charlie Bishop*

*Superintendent of Education: Will Goodman*

*Education Chair: Allison Pelletier*

### 11.1 Report No. 26: The Early Years Update

Early Years Lead Hillary Freeburn provided a review of work taking place within our Board across the district. She noted that the team is ready for the arrival of the new early years students who will one day become the graduates of 2032. The next steps for the Early Years programing including enhancing relationships and partnerships with partners and stakeholders, implementation of the Ages and Stages Questionnaire and ongoing professional learning in the areas of play-based learning, trauma informed practices and embedding Indigenous perspectives into our early year environments.

## **12.0 New Business**

*Board Chair: Pinky McRae*

### 12.1 Board Chair

#### 12.1.1 Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium- April 4-5, 2019

Board Chair P. McRae noted that Trustees J. Nesbitt and M. Mannisto will be attending the conference.

#### 12.1.2 Correspondence:

12.1.2.1 SEAC Re: Letter of Support to Peel DSB  
Reviewed for information.

12.1.2.2 OPSBA Letter Re: Autism Program  
Reviewed for information.

- 12.1.2.3 MPP Michael Mantha Re: Autism Program  
Reviewed for information.
- 12.1.2.4 Ministry of Education Re: Supporting Students with Autism  
Reviewed for information.
- 12.1.2.5 Ministry of Education Re: Budget Planning Info  
Reviewed for information.

12.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

12.2.1 OPSBA: February 2019 Board of Directors Meeting Summary

Trustee J. Nesbitt provided a verbal report and noted that written reports would be provided in the future. Within his review he discussed the OPSBA Directors meeting agenda which included discussions about the Autism Program funding announcements made by the Ministry. He presented the request made by OPSBA for School Boards to submit their three priorities as identified in each strategic plan by the end of April. OPSBA has indicated that they will use this information to help keep the issues important to Northern School Boards as a focus on the agenda.

12.3 Trustee Activities

Nil.

12.4 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

Nil.

**13.0 Notice of Motion**

Nil.

**14.0 Observer Comments**

Nil.

PART II: Committee of the Whole Board

Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 8:00 p.m.

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

15.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board – Closed

**49/19**

Moved by: Trustee M. Groulx                      Second: Trustee A. Pelletier

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:00 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

15.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

**50/19**

Moved by: Trustee K. Pristanski                      Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:43 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

**16.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Section B**

16.1 **51/19**

Moved by: Trustee A. Pelletier                      Second: Trustee M. McIntyre

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Committee of the Whole, In-Camera Section B (Closed) Reports be adopted including the confidential minutes from the meeting held as:

1. Regular Board 2019/03: February 19, 2019

Carried

16.2 Other Recommendations from Committee of the Whole Closed Session  
*Nil.*

**17.0 Adjournment**

**52/19**

*Moved by: Trustee M. Mannisto*

*Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2019/04 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, March 25, 2019 adjourn at 8:45, p.m.

Carried

<b><u>2019 - Board Meetings</u></b> <i>Designate Site: Marathon Board Meeting Room / Time 6:30 p.m.</i>		
Monday, April 15, 2019	Monday, May 6, 2019 <i>*Special Board Meeting</i>	Monday, May 27, 2019 <i>*Designate Site: SGDSBLC</i>
Monday, June 17, 2019 <i>*Designate Site: GCHS</i>	Monday, July 15, 2019	Monday, August 19, 2019
Monday, September 23, 2019 <i>*Designate Site: LSHS</i>	Monday, October 21, 2019	Monday, November 18, 2019
Monday, December 2, 2019 (1:00 p.m.)		

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**Regular Board Meeting 2019/04**

Committee of the Whole Board: Closed Session.

Monday, March 25, 2019

Designated Site: Superior-Greenstone District School Board Learning Centre,  
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**TOPICS**

**Board Chair:** Pinky McRae

**Interim Director:** Nicole Morden Cormier

VC Sites: Board Office / GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / SGDSBLC

Recorder: G. Christianson

PART II: Committee of Whole Board – Closed

Section (B): In-Camera 8:00 p.m.

- 1.0 Disclosure of Interest: re Closed Session
  
- 2.0 Approve Agenda: Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed)
  
- 3.0 In-Camera (closed) Meeting Minutes
  - 1. Regular Board Meeting 2019-03: February 19, 2019
  
- 4.0 Personnel Item A

**Regular Board Meeting 2019-04**

Monday, March 25, 2019

**MINUTES**

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR