



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 2020/05

MINUTES

Monday, April 20, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

Videoconference & Teleconference

Toll Number: (807) 701-5980, Access Code: 9 5 4 2 4 0 2 6 0 → [Join Skype Meeting](#)

Board Chair: Pinky McRae

Director: Nicole Morden Cormier

VC Sites: Closed. Skype and Teleconference available due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Recorder: G. Christianson

PART I: Regular Board Meeting

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

PART II: Committee of the Whole Board

Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 8:02 p.m.

1.0 Roll Call

<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
Cormier, Dr. Paul			x			Nesbitt, Jason			x		
Groulx, Michael			x			Pelletier, Allison			x		
Major, Christine			x			Pristanski, Kal				x	
Mannisto, Mark			x			Rathwell, Stephanie (Student)			x		
McIntyre, Margaret			x			Schwantz, Sydney (Student)			x		
McRae, Pauline (Pinky)			x								

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	OS	TC	VC	A	R
Morden Cormier, Nicole: <i>Director of Education</i>			x		
Tsubouchi, Cathy: <i>Superintendent of Business</i>			x		
Bishop, Charlie: <i>Superintendent of Education</i>			x		
Goodman, William: <i>Superintendent of Education</i>			x		
Harris, Brent: <i>Manager of Financial Services</i>		x			
Paris, Marc: <i>Manager of Plant Services/Transportation</i>			x		
Demers, Linda: <i>Coordinator of Business Services</i>			x		
Nault, Denis: <i>Manager of Human Resources</i>			x		
Lucas, Jay: <i>Coordinator of Information Technology Services</i>			x		
Renaud, Deana: <i>Mental Health Manager</i>			x		
Christianson, GerriLynn: <i>Administrative Assistant to Director/Communications</i>			x		

PART I: Regular Board Meeting

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

2.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

The meeting was opened with the statement of acknowledgement for the traditional lands of the Ojibway people. We acknowledge the Ojibway people as the custodians of the land and their cultural and heritage beliefs of the elders both past and present.

The Board Chair expressed a special note of thanks to acknowledge all of the members of our communities, and of the world, who continue to make tremendous sacrifices during this Pandemic to ensure that we are all kept safe, healthy and fed. Deep gratitude was expressed for the dedication of those in the health care field, our police and ambulance services, those working in grocery stores, restaurants and pharmacies, mail carriers, and all those who are working in essential services.

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Moved by: Trustee A. Pelletier

Second: Trustee M. Groulx

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2020 be called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Carried

3.0 Approval of Agenda

46/20

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee C. Major

✓ **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2020/05 Regular Board Meeting, April 20, 2020 be accepted and approved.

Carried

4.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest offered at this time.

5.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings

5.1 Board Meetings

47/20

Moved by: Trustee M. Groulx

Second: Trustee M. Mannisto

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

1. Regular Board Meeting 2020/04: March 30, 2020

Carried

6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

Nil.

7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

- 7.1 Excellence in Education: Schreiber Public School Presentation Titled: SPS Kindness Club
Vice-Principal Leslie Blackwood along with students Braya Boudreau, Zoey Krause and Peyton Stortini provided their presentation on the Schreiber Public School Kindness Club. The presentation highlighted the various community engagement activities completed by students such as a bake sale fundraiser for the Schreiber Public Library, serving meals to seniors at a luncheon, weekly town BBQ, and a thank you gift for staff prior to the March Break. The Kindness Club meets regularly with assistance from staff. The students continually support positivity through leadership opportunities and are involved in their school and home community.

8.0 Reports and Matters for Decision

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

8.1.1 Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)

Trustee Allison Pelletier provided a summary of the Parent Involvement Committee meeting held on April 15, 2020. She advised that the Committee could not achieve quorum and therefore conducted an agenda review with the members present. The review included topics such as distance learning, Student Art Calendar photography contest, mental health presentation and a request for input from School Councils regarding the budget for the upcoming school year.

9.0 Reports of the Business / Negotiations Committee

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

- 9.1 Report No. 26: Capital Project Report 2019/2020
Manager of Plant Services Marc Paris, provided a review of the Capital Project Report for 2019/2020. He advised that capital projects are identified through annual consultation with stakeholders and include technical, mechanical and capital investments. The report outlined the projects completed and the funding sources. The project summary also included several projects that will not be fully completed as of August 31, 2020 and will continue in 2020/2021 until fully completed.
- 9.2 Report No. 27: Enrolment Summary as of March 31, 2020
Superintendent of Business Cathy Tsubouchi provided an overview of the report noting that overall, enrolment as of March 31, has increased by 41.56 student from budget.

10.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Director of Education: Nicole Morden Cormier

- 10.1 Report No. 28: 2019-2020 Employee Recognition Awards
Director of Education Nicole Morden Cormier advised that the Employee Recognition Award Report is an annual report prepared in conjunction with Board Policy 712. Celebrating employees who have reached 10 and 25 years of service. The Director reviewed the revisions that have been made to the awards offered and expressed her gratitude and congratulations to the staff who have reached these two significant employment milestones.

11.0 Reports of the Education Committee

*Superintendent of Education: Charlie Bishop
Superintendent of Education: Will Goodman
Education Chair: Margaret McIntyre*

- 11.1 Report No. 29: Proposed Elementary Teaching Staffing and Organization for September 2020
Superintendent of Education Charlie Bishop provided a comprehensive overview of the report, noting the consultation process with Principals regarding the staffing of elementary schools. The final report will be presented at the Special Board meeting in May 2020.
- 11.2 Report No. 30: Early Years Portfolio
Early Years System Lead Hillary Freeburn presented her report outlining the work taking place in our schools to enhance Early Years. She highlighted initiatives such as the virtual book study, self-regulation challenge and presentation.
- 11.3 Report No. 31: SGDSB Continuity of Learning Plan
Superintendent of Education Will Goodman provided a review of the Continuity of Learning Plan report. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic which resulted in the Ministerial orders for school closures, Administration was required to quickly respond with the creation of the Continuity of Learning Plan. Through stakeholder consultation the school board has created and submitted Continuity of Learning Plan based on Ministry requirements for returning to learning. It is designed to provide overall guidance to all educators as we navigate distance learning and reflects all pillars and objectives within the strategic plan. As of the meeting date, SGDSB has distributed approximately 350 learning devices and are assisting families without internet access by providing paper based assignments.

12.0 New Business

Board Chair: Pinky McRae

- 12.1 Board Chair
- 12.1.1 Communication Review Reminder
Board Chair P. McRae reminded Trustees to please review all received information from Ontario Public School Board's Association to keep current on what is happening in the province.
- 12.2.2 2020-2022 Student Trustee Elections Update
Board Chair P. McRae and the Director advised that Student Erin Couture of Nipigon Red Rock District High School has been acclaimed by the Student Senate as the new

Student Trustee. Erin will begin her new role on August 1, 2020 upon the conclusion of the term of office for Student Trustee Stephanie Rathwell. The formal motion for appointment will be brought forward at the Regular Board Meeting in May.

12.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards
Nil.

12.3 Trustee Activities
Nil.

12.4 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items
At the request of Administration, Trustees unanimously decided to reschedule the May 4, 2020 Special Board meeting to now take place virtually on Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

12.5 Board Meeting Evaluation Reminder
Trustees were reminded to please complete the Board Meeting Evaluation Form at the end of each Board meeting.

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) 8:02 p.m.

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

15.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board – Closed

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Moved by: Trustee M. Groulx

Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:02 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

15.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

49/20

Moved by: Trustee M. McIntyre

Second: Trustee M. Mannisto

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:16 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 **50/20**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee M. Groulx

✓ **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 2020/04: March 30, 2020

Carried

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

17.0 Adjournment

51/20

Moved by: *Trustee M. Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee C. Major*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2020/05 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, April 20, 2020 adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

Carried

<u>2020 - Board Meetings</u>		
<i>Designate Site: Marathon Board Meeting Room / Time 6:30 p.m.</i>		
Thursday, May 7, 2020 <i>*Special Board Meeting</i>	Monday, May 25, 2020 <i>*Designate Site: Marjorie Mills Public School</i>	Monday, June 8, 2020 <i>*Special Board Meeting</i>
Monday, June 22, 2020	Monday, July 20, 2020	Monday, August 24, 2020
Monday, September 28, 2020	Monday, October 19, 2020 <i>*Designate Site: SGDSB Learning Centre</i>	Monday, November 16, 2020
Monday, November 30, 2020 (1:00 p.m.) <i>*Designate Site: Board Office with tour of Marathon High School</i>		

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Regular Board Meeting 2020/05
Committee of the Whole Board: Closed Session.

Monday, April 20, 2020

Videoconference and Teleconference

TOPICS

Board Chair: Pinky McRae VC Sites: Closed	Director: Nicole Morden Cormier Recorder: G. Christianson
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PART II: Committee of Whole Board – Closed	Section (B): In-Camera 8:02 p.m.
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- 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 2020-04: March 30, 2020

- 4.0 Personnel Item A

Regular Board Meeting 2020-05

Monday, April 20, 2020

MINUTES

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020

SECRETARY

CHAIR