



## 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".

## Regular Board Meeting 2025/05 M I N U T E S

Monday, March 24, 2025 – 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: 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) 8:10 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
Brunskill, Dr. Megan			x			Nesbitt, Jason			x		
Fairservice, Dan ( <i>censure</i> )						Pristanski, Kal			x		
Jarvis, Allison			x			Michano, Julie					x
Liscomb, Pat			x			Krause, Zoey (Student)			x		
McRae, Pinky	x					Anthony, Miley (Student)			x		
<i>First Nation Trustee(Vacant)</i>						Kentner, Anna (Student)			x		

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	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>Manager of Financial Services</i>			x		
Muir, Gordon: <i>Manager of Plant Services/Transportation</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>Coordinator of Information Technology Services</i>			x		
Kitchener, Nick: <i>Manager of Information Technology</i>			x		
Renaud, Deana: <i>Mental Health Manager</i>			x		
Bartlett, Shy-Anne: <i>Manager of Indigenous Education</i>			x		
Christianson, GerriLynn: <i>Executive Assistant &amp; Communications Coordinator</i>			x		
Zeleny, Lisa: <i>Executive Assistant</i>			x		

**Land Acknowledgement**

Director Will Goodman provided the land acknowledgement for the ancestral and traditional territories of the Indigenous people on whose lands we gather upon. We recognize and honour the contributions of the Indigenous peoples for they hold the knowledge, traditions, and history of the land.

**2.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order****51/25**

Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill

Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 24, 2025, be called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Carried**3.0 Approval of Agenda****52/25**

Moved by: Trustee P. Liscomb

Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

**That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2025/05 Regular Board Meeting, March 24, 2025, be accepted and approved.

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

There were no disclosures of interest provided at this time.

**5.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings****5.1 Board Meeting Minutes****53/25**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee K. Pristanski

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

1. Regular Board Meeting 2025/04: February 24, 2025;

Carried**5.2 Board Committee Meeting Minutes****5.2.1 Committee Meeting Minutes****54/25**

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 February 11, 2025

Carried**6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

Nil.

**7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations****7.1 Showcasing Learning: B.A. Parker Public School - Joy In Learning**

Director Will Goodman will provide an introduction to the video that has been prepared by B.A. Parker Public School Principal Heidi Cloutier. The video highlighted the many activities and programs that bring joy to learning at BAPS.

**7.2 Excellence in Education: Manitouswadge Public School - Innovation and Creativity - Bringing Joy to Teaching and Learning**

Principal Cameron Craig prepared a pre-recorded video presentation that highlighted the innovation and creativity at Manitouswadge Public School.

**7.3 Report No. 22: Student Trustee Report: March 2025**

Student Trustees Zoey Krause and Miley Anthony provided a review of their March report. They have been working together to organize student senate meetings and activities. They discussed the increased communication and the use of new engagement tools such as menti-meter, as well as the focus on leadership skills development.

- 7.4 Report No. 23: Indigenous Student Trustee Report: March 2025  
Indigenous Student Trustee Anna Kentner provided an update regarding the Indigenous Youth Council meeting as well as a recently attended OSTA meeting. She discussed ongoing work with the Student Trustees for the development of the Student Senate leadership gathering organized for June. Additional highlights included the development of an indigenous student trustee handbook and various ideas being developed to increase connection amongst members.

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

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

#### **8.1.1 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report**

Trustee Megan Brunskill provided an update regarding the March 4, 2025 Special Education Advisory Committee meeting. Highlights included a financial review summary for special education and a review of the special education plan.

#### **8.1.3 Parent Engagement Committee (PEC) Report**

The meeting was canceled due to lack of parent attendance. The admin team will be preparing video updates of the meeting information that will be shared with parent councils and public. Next meeting is the Feast and Feedback session that will be held on various dates and locations during Education Week, with a focus on hosting the events in the First Nations communities where possible.

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

*Superintendent of Business: Alex Marton*

### **9.1 Report No. 24: Capital Projects 2024-2025 Update**

Manager of Facilities Gord Muir provided a review of the report. He discussed the status of current capital projects including the MNPS exterior grounds, MRHS mechanical equipment relocation and MTPS preliminary designs for partnership with CSBGNO.

### **9.2 Report No. 25: 2024-2025 Employee Recognition**

Superintendent of Business Alex Marton provided a review of the report. He advised that the staff will be recognized formally at their school locations, as well as the Excellence Awards on May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 am – 12:00 p.m.

### **9.3 Report No. 26: Trustee Professional Development Funds 2024-2025**

The Superintendent of Business provided a review of the report. Board Chair Pinky McRae discussed the PD applications submitted by her and Trustee Jarvis to attend the CSBA in Winnipeg in July 2025. The Trustees discussed the upcoming conference opportunities and their interest in attending the sessions. Trustee Nesbitt will contact OPSBA to inquire about expense reimbursement for his attendance at the upcoming conference being held in conjunction with the OPSBA Board of Directors meeting.

**55/25**

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

*✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB, approve the applications of Trustee McRae and Trustee Jarvis for travel to and attendance of the Canadian School Board Association Congress National Trustee Gathering on Indigenous Education July 2-5, 2025, as presented.*

Carried

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

*Director of Education: William Goodman*

### **10.1 Report No. 27: Director's Monthly Report: March 2025**

Director of Education Will Goodman provided a review of the report. The activities highlighted the joy in teaching and learning across the school district.

10.2 Report No. 28: 2025 Graduation Dates and Times

The Director provided a review of the report that was provided for information.

10.3 Indigenous Trustee Appointment Process Update

The Director advised that two individuals have had their names put forward for the role of Indigenous Trustee. The Indigenous Education Advisory Committee requested a meeting be held to provide the individuals an opportunity to address the committee to provide a presentation regarding their interest in the position. The meeting is scheduled for March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**11.0 Reports of the Education Committee**

*Superintendent of Education: Carole Leroux  
Superintendent of Education: Flora Love-Jedruch  
Assistant Superintendent: Tara Balog  
Assistant Superintendent: Annick Brewster*

11.1 Report No. 29: Math Achievement Action Plan

Assistant Superintendent Tara Balog provided a review of the report. She highlighted the use of digital tools, program success and growth. As per Ministry requirement, the Math Achievement Action Plan requires Board endorsement.

**56/25**

*Moved by: Trustee A. Jarvis*

*Second: Trustee M. Brunskill*

*✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB having Received Report No. 29, endorse the interim Math Achievement Action Plan as presented.*

*Carried*

11.2 Report No. 30: SGDSB Mental Health Portfolio Update

Manager of Mental Health, Deana Renaud, provided a presentation to further illustrate the information provided in the written report. The portfolio highlights included the strategies and success of the mental health strategy the team has been working through. She discussed upcoming initiatives and the trauma informed practice professional development. Trustees expressed their gratitude for the work of the team and the colour coding format within the report.

11.3 Report No. 31: MYSP – Pathway Exploration

System Principal Kyle Thomson provided a detailed review of the report. He provided highlights of the pathway exploration opportunities available to students. SGDSB have made significant strides in ensuring students have access to diverse career and post-secondary opportunities. The board has surpassed its MYSP year 1 objective, reaching 91.2%. Students have benefited from onsite, virtual, and offsite career fairs, university and college engagements, hands-on learning with industry experts, community partnerships, apprenticeships, and additional certifications.

**12.0 New Business**

*Board Chair: Pinky McRae*

12.1 Conference Applications

The applications were reviewed and approved earlier in the agenda.

12.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

Nil.

12.3 Trustee Activities

Nil.

12.4 Ministry Updates for Trustees

The Director of Education shared information regarding recent Ministry of Education updates. The group discussed the various areas where additional advocacy is recommended.

12.5 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

The Board Chair issued a reminder to Trustees to please submit any future agenda item requests by email to her or the Director. She also requested that Trustees volunteer to complete the Land Acknowledgement for the April 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) 8:10 p.m.

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

#### **15.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board – Closed**

**57/25**

Moved by: Trustee A. Jarvis

Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:10 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

#### **15.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session**

**58/25**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee M. Brunskill

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:21 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

### **16.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Session B**

#### **16.1 59/25**

Moved by: Trustee P. Liscomb

Second: Trustee K. Pristanski

**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 Meeting 2025/04: February 24, 2025;

Carried

#### **16.2 Other Recommendations from Committee of the Whole Closed Session**

Nil.

### **17.0 Adjournment**

**60/25**

Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt

Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2025/05 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, March 24, 2025 adjourn at 8:22, p.m.

Carried

#### **2025 - Board Meetings**

Board Office or Designated Site indicated in schedule. Time 6:30 p.m.

Monday, April 7, 2025 *Special Board Meeting	Monday, April 28, 2025	Monday, May 26, 2025 *Designate Site: SGDSB Learning Centre
Monday, June 30, 2025	Monday, July 14, 2025	Monday, August 25, 2025
Monday, September 22, 2025 *Designate Site: B.A. Parker Public School	Monday, October 20, 2025	Monday, November 17, 20245 (1:00 p.m.) *Designate Site: Board Office
Monday, December 1, 2025		

**SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**Regular Board Meeting 2025/05**

Committee of the Whole Board: Closed Session.

Monday, March 24, 2024

Board Office, 12 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, Ontario

**T O P I C S**

**Board Chair:** *Pinky McRae*

**Director:** *William Goodman*

*Location: Videoconference & Teleconference*

*Recorder: G. Christianson*

PART II: Committee of Whole Board – Closed

*Section (B): In-Camera 8:10 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 2025/04: February 24, 2025*
- 4.0 Business Item: Transportation Update

**Regular Board Meeting 2025-04**

Monday, February 24, 2025

**M I N U T E S**

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR