

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-Red 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 2009/05

Committee of Whole Board In-Camera
 (Closed to Public) 6:30 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting: (Open to Public)
 Follows conclusion of In-Camera

MINUTES

Monday, April 20, 2009

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

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto

Director: Patti Pella

VC Sites at: SGBO / GCHS / LSHS / MNHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 6:35 p.m.

PART II: Regular Board Meeting

Section (B) : – (open to public): 7:30 p.m.

Attendance

<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
Bartlett, Bette	X					Marszowski, Lisa (Student)			X		
Brown, Cindy			X			Notwell, Kathryn		X			
Fisher, Cindy	X					Richard, Kayla (Student)			X		
Keenan, Darlene		X				Simmons, Tina	X				
Kjellman, Kayla (Student)	X					Sparrow, Julie		X			
Mannisto, Mark	X					Turner, Jim			X		

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)					
	OS	TC	VC	A	R	
Patti Pella: Director of Education			X			
Rousseau, Bruce: Superintendent of Business					X	
Kappel, Colleen: Superintendent of Education	X					
Newton, Valerie: Student Success Coordinator	X					
Tsubouchi, Cathy: Manager of Accounting Services			X			
Chiupka, Wayne: Manager of Plant Services/Transportation			X			
Paris, Marc: Coordinator of Maintenance	X					
Draper, Barb: Coordinator of Human Resources Services			X			
Ross, Brad: Coordinator of Systems and Information Technology			X			
Joannette, Rose-Marie: Administrative Assistant / Communications			X			

1.0 Roll Call

The Board Chair Mark Mannisto conducted roll call at 6.33 p.m. Members were present as noted above.

PART I: *Committee of the Whole Board*

Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 6:35 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

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed 99/09

Moved by: *Trustee T. Simmons*

Seconded by: *Trustee C. Brown*

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera, Section (A) Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.*

Carried

3.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session 100/09

Moved by: *Trustee T. Simmons*

Seconded by: *Trustee C. Brown*

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera, Section (A) Closed Session at 7:27 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.*

Carried

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

Section (B) : – (open to public): 7:30 p.m.

4.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

The Board Chair M. Mannisto called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

5.0 Approval of Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed) Report 101/09

Moved by: *Trustee T. Simmons*

Seconded by: *Trustee C. Brown*

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera, Section (A) Closed Session Report.*

Carried

5.1 Ratification: ETFO Collective Agreement 102/09

Moved by: *Trustee D. Keenan*

Seconded by: *Trustee J. Sparrow*

✓ *That, the Collective Agreement between the Superior-Greenstone DSB and the Elementary Teachers' Federation representing Elementary Teachers for the period, September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2012 as negotiated by the Negotiation Committee be ratified, subject to confirmation by the Ministry of Education.*

Carried

5.2 Ratification: ETFO Occasional Teacher Collective Agreement 103/09

Moved by: *Trustee T. Simmons*

Seconded by: *Trustee C. Fisher*

✓ *That, the Collective Agreement between the Superior-Greenstone DSB and the Elementary Teachers' Federation representing Elementary Occasional Teachers for the period, September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2012 as negotiated by the Negotiation Committee be ratified, subject to confirmation by the Ministry of Education.*

Carried

6.0 Approval of Agenda

104/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2009/05 Regular Board Meeting, April 20, 2009 be accepted and approved.

Carried

7.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures regarding the open session.

8.0 Minutes Regular Board, Standing Committees and Ad Hoc Committees

105/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Turner

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting be adopted:

- 2009/04 Regular Board, Monday, March 23, 2009, and
That, the minutes from the Board Policy Review Committee Meeting be acknowledged as received:
- BPRC Meeting – Monday, March 30, 2009, and
That, the minutes from the B.A. Parker Design Steering Committee Meeting be acknowledged as received:
- BAPS Design Steering Committee – Tuesday, April 7, 2009

Carried

9.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

10.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

10.1 Dorion Public School: Environmental Education in Curriculum

106/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the presentation by the students Ethan and Matthew of the Dorion Public School.

Carried

Director of Education Patti Pella introduced Dorion Public School students, Ethan, Matthew and their teacher Nancy Bailey who were on hand to present on the topic of the Environment. Each student recently completed projects related to how people on earth leave their environmental footprint and what we could all do to lessen the negative environmental impact we make. Ethan and Matthews class made a list of the top ten issues, two of which the boys presented.

Matthew's topic was on the use of rechargeable batteries versus disposal batteries. He explained the products and suggested the least impact is made by using rechargeable batteries. The are reusable, produce less toxic waste in garbage landfills which is harmful to human health by polluting the ground, water and the air.

Ethan's topic touched on the topic of electricity and the high-energy use required by using clothes dryers instead of clothesline or rack drying in open air. He reported that open air-drying makes clothes smell much nicer to wear and more important, it reduces the need for a lot of electricity,

which must be generated by nuclear power plants, coal-burning power generators or hydro dams. He briefly described the operation of a nuclear power plant and suggested that the radioactive "heavy" water was very dangerous and can be hard to dispose of or store.

Teacher N. Bailey also reported that the class reviewed the use of single-use bottled water and its environment impact. Ethan and Matthew said their class was not in favour of this because the plastic bottles fill up the landsite very fast and do not break down for many years. In northern Ontario people do not have the same access to recycling that can happen in the cities, so the bottles pollute more. The boys suggested that the board could begin to make a difference by using only water pitchers and glasses at board meetings instead of having bottled water available.

107/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB shall at all future board meetings have water available in water pitchers only, rather than single-use water bottles, unless a public advisory has been issued in regard to the municipal or well water supply.

Carried

10.2 Update: Student Trustees

108/09

Moved by: Trustee T. Simmons

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal reports from Student Trustees, Kayla Kjellman, Kayla Richard and Lisa Marszowski.

Carried

The student trustees each reviewed sporting, social and community events happening within the five area high schools. The current student trustees have initiated the process to determine the Student Trusteeship for the 2009-2010 school year. The successful candidates will be announced at the next board meeting.

11.0 Reports of the Director of Education

(Director: Patti Pella)

11.1 Report No 24: 2008-2009 Long Term Employee Recognition

109/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 24: 2008-2009 Long-Term Employee Recognition Awards.

Carried

The Employee Long Term Recognition Award Report is produced annually in conjunction with Board Policy 712. This year's 10-Year Service Milestones will be awarded to:

Employee	School	Employee	School
Karrie Zotter	Manitouwadge PS	Karen Enders	Beardmore PS
Jennifer Johnson	George O'Neill PS	Stan Kuczynski	Manitouwadge HS
Linda Demers	Margaret Twomey PS	Barb McGill	Margaret Twomey PS
Sandra Woodrow	Manitouwadge HS & PS	Wayne Pittman	Manitouwadge HS
Shelley Gladu	Marjorie Mills PS	Agnes Vincent	Marjorie Mills PS
Brenda Cordeiro	Marathon HS	Bronwyn Sands	Marathon HS
		Brad Ross	Board Office

Celebration lunches for twenty-five years of service award will be held for:

Employee	School	Employee	School
Fern Bilodeau	Lake Superior HS	Christine Turnbull	Manitouwadge PS
Pam Blanch	Margaret Twomey PS	Paul Inwood	Marathon HS
Wendy Weaver	Lake Superior HS	Bruce Rousseau	Board Office

12.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: K. Notwell)

Superintendent of Education:

12.1 Report No. 25: Secondary Credit Accumulation Rates

110/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No.25: Secondary Credit Accumulation Rates for the 2007-2008 School Year.

Carried

Valerie Newton, Assistant to the Superintendent of Education provided a comprehensive review of the Student Success and Learning to 18 Branch of the ministry release of preliminary provincial data on the grade 9 and 10 credit accumulation rates for 2007-2008.

12.2 Report No. 26: Environmental Education Framework

111/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No.26: Environmental Education Framework.

Carried

In February, the Ministry released a Policy Framework for Environmental Education in Ontario Schools. The policy requires schools boards to create a system-wide environmental education and management committee as part of the implementation strategy. The Committee will begin developing an Environmental Education Policy and Action Plan. The committee will also take a lead role in encouraging strategies and practices throughout the board that promote environmental stewardship.

12.3 Report No. 27: Elementary Teaching Staff Proposal for September 2009

112/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB, receives as information, Report No. 27: Elementary Teaching Staff Proposal for September 2009 as presented.

Carried

Superintendent of Education Colleen Kappel reviewed the report advising that based on the 2009-2010 projected enrolment, the implementation of full-time Junior Kindergarten proposed staffing is set at 68.25 FTE, an increase of 1.5 FTE from the current staffing. Other issues considered in the proposal were low pupil teacher ratio in determining staffing for multi-age classrooms and attempting to eliminate quadruple grades as well as focusing on a pupil-teacher ratio limit of 15:1.

In future, administration was asked to compile a report on the special education needs, which for privacy reasons would be based on percentage terms by school.

Before the motion was read, Trustee C. Brown requested a recorded vote with the request being supported by Trustee B. Bartlett.

113/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Turner

Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

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

Recorded Vote

B. Bartlett — Yes

C. Brown — No

C. Fisher — Yes

D. Keenan — Yes

K. Notwell — Yes

T. Simmons — Yes

J. Sparrow — Yes

J. Turner — Yes

Carried

13.0 Reports of the Business Committee

(Business Chair: J. Turner)

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

13.1 Report No. 28: Enrolment Summary, March 31, 2009

114/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee J. Turner

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 28: Enrolment Summary, March 31, 2009.

Carried

Cathy Tsubouchi provided an overview of the enrolment statistics as of the ministry count date of March 31, 2009. The elementary panel enrolment is by 16.5 FTE students while the secondary panel enrolment was down from projections by 24 FTE students for a total decline of 7.5 FTE students.

13.2 Report No. 29: Plant Department Tender Awards 2009

115/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Turner

Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 29: Plant Department Tender Awards 2009 as presented.

Carried

Wayne Chiupka provided a summary of the report on various capital projects that have been advertised for tender with the work to be carried out this coming spring and summer (2008/2009 budget year). The projects in this report cover work funded by the Good Places to Learn Grant as well as the School Renewal Grant, and form part of the regular 2008/2009 budget.

116/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Plant Department Tender Awards 2009 as follows (GST extra):

Project A – NRHS be awarded to DRD Construction Services in the amount of	\$ 1,698,400.00
Project B – LSHS be awarded to DRD Construction Services in the amount of	\$ 158,568.00
Project C – GOPS be awarded to Clow Darling Ltd. in the amount of	\$ 104,413.00
Roof Retrofit–NRHS be awarded to Racco Industrial Roofing in the amount of	\$ 95,732.00
Roof Retrofit–MRHS be awarded to Holmes Roofing & Sheet Metal in the amount of	\$ 107,400.00

Carried

14.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: M. Mannisto

14.1 Report No. 30: Disbursements – March 2009

117/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

✓ That, Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 30: Disbursements for March 2009.

Carried

14.2 Report No.: 31: Personnel – April 20, 2009

118/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 31: Personnel dated April 20, 2009.

Carried

15.0 New Business

15.1 Board Chair

Mark Mannisto reported briefly on events from the Trustee professional development held in Manitouwadge/Marathon on April 3-4, 2009. School tours were held in Manitouwadge and dinner was provided by the students of the Manitouwadge High School. Dave Jones of Turtle Concepts and Patricia McGuire of the Negahneewin College of Academic and Community Development presented information with a focus on aboriginal issues.

15.2 Correspondence:

15.2.1 2009-2010 School Year Calendar

Director Patti Pella advised that the ministry has approved the modified 2009-2010 School Year Calendar. The school year will start on August 31, 2009 with a professional activity day for staff, while classes commence on September 1.

15.2.2 Red Rock Band Pow Wow

Trustee Tina Simmons advised that an invitation to all trustees has been extended to join the Red Rock Band Pow-Wow on Tuesday, May 26, 2009. She will send this to the board for distribution to all trustees.

15.2.3 Ontario Student Trustee Association AGM

P. Pella advised that the OSTA-AGM invitations were e-mailed to student trustees. The event is scheduled on May 28-30th in Toronto. Student trustee who would like to attend need to contact the board office.

15.3 Miscellaneous

Trustee Cindy Fisher advised that the Pic River Heron Bay Elementary School Pow-Wow is scheduled on Thursday, June 18, 2009. She also reported that Alvin Law is the guest speaker attending the Pic River Elementary School graduation.

16.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

16.1 OPSBA – June AGM

16.1.1 Trustee Appointment for OPSBA Director/Voting Delegate

Trustee B. Bartlett nominated Darlene Keenan who was acclaimed to the position.

119/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

✓ **That**, the the Superior-Greenstone DSB appoint Trustee Darlene Keenan to serve as its Director to OPSBA with concurrent responsibility as the OPSBA Voting Delegate and that the appointment be effective for the period of May 30, 2009 to May 28, 2010.

Carried

16.1.2 Trustee Appointment for OPSBA Alternate Director/Voting Delegate

Trustee D. Keenan nominated Kathie Notwell who was acclaimed to the position.

120/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Fisher

Seconded by: Trustee B. Bartlett

✓ **That**, the Superior Greenstone DSB appoint Trustee Kathryn Notwell to serve as its Alternate Director to OPSBA with concurrent responsibility as the Alternate OPSBA Voting Delegate, and that the appointment be effective for the period of May 30, 2009 to May 28, 2010

Carried

121/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone approve the attendance of Trustee Darlene Keenan to attend the OPSBA Annual General Meeting being held in June in Huntsville, ON and that her experience be paid as per policy.

Carried

17.0 Observer Comments

There were no observer comments provided.

18.0 Adjournment

122/09

Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett

Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2009/04 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, April 20, 2009 be adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Carried

2009 Board Meeting Schedule

2009 Dates	Time	Location		2009 Dates	Time	Location (TBA)
January 19 th	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office		July 20 th	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office
February 17 th	6:30 p.m.	Manitouwadge HS		August 17 th	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office
March 23 rd	6:30 p.m.	Geraldton Composite HS		September 21 st	6:30 p.m.	Lake Superior HS
April 20 th	6:30 p.m.	Nipigon Red Rock DHS		October 19 th	6:30 p.m.	Geraldton Composite HS
May 19 th	6:30 p.m.	Lake Superior HS		November 16 th	6:30 p.m.	Nipigon-Red Rock DHS
June 15 th	6:30 p.m.	Manitouwadge HS		December 7 th	2:30 p.m.	Geraldton Composite HS

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Regular Board Meeting 2009/05

Committee of the Whole Board: 6:30 p.m.

Monday, April 20, 2009

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

TOPICS

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto

Director: Patti Pella

VC Sites at: SGBO / GCHS / LSHS / MNHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

Section (A): In-Camera – (closed to public) 6:35 p.m.

- 1.0 Personnel Report: (Trustee Queries re Personnel Report No. 31) (B. Draper)
- 2.0 Update: Legal (P. Pella)
- 3.0 Update Negotiations: ETFO (B. Rousseau)

Regular Board Meeting 2009/05

Monday, April 20, 2009

MINUTES

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2009

SECRETARY

CHAIR