

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 2009/07

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, June 15, 2009

Designated Site: Manitouwadge High School, Manitouwadge ON

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto

Director Designate: Bruce Rousseau

VC Sites at: SGBO / GCHS / LSHS / NRHS

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): 7:07 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 (in at 8:06P)		X			
Kjellman, Kayla (Student)			X			Sparrow, Julie (left at 9:00P)		X			
Mannisto, Mark	X					Turner, Jim (left at 8:27P)			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
153/09**

Moved by: *Trustee D. Keenan*

Seconded by: *Trustee J. Sparrow*

✓ *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
154/09**

Moved by: *Trustee D. Keenan*

Seconded by: *Trustee J. Sparrow*

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera, Section (A) Closed Session at 7:05 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.*

Carried

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

Section (B): – (open to public): 7:07 p.m.

4.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

The Board Chair M. Mannisto called the regular meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. At this time, he welcomed students Sarah Duffus and Danielle Robinson who as the 2009-2010 Student Trustees elect were attending the meeting as observers.

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

5.1 155/09

Moved by: *Trustee J. Turner*

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

6.0 Approval of Agenda

156/09

Moved by: *Trustee D. Keenan*

Seconded by: *Trustee B. Bartlett*

✓ *That, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2009/07 Regular Board Meeting, June 15, 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

8.1 Board Meetings:

8.1.1 2009/06 Regular Board – May 19, 2009

157/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

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

- 2009/06 Regular Board, Tuesday, May 19, 2009

Carried

8.2 Standing Committee Meetings

8.2.1 Board Policy Review Committee: June 10, 2009

158/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

✓ That, the minutes from the Board Policy Review Committee Meeting be acknowledged as received:

- BPRC Meeting – Monday, June 10, 2009, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB accept the recommendations as outlined in the Board Policy Committee minutes dated June 10, 2009 and approve as reviewed:

- Policy 408 – Loaning of Equipment
- Policy 510 – Suspected Child Abuse
- Policy 606 – Home and Hospital Study
- Policy 516 – Safe Arrival Program
- Policy 516 – Safe Arrival – Management Guideline
- Policy 521 – Community Involvement Activities
- Policy 521 – Community Involvement Activities Management Guideline
- Policy-714 - Criminal Background Check
- Policy 714 - Criminal Background Check- Management Guideline, and

That posting to the Board website and implementation of these policies be dated June 16, 2009, and

That said shall supersede any previous policies and/or management guideline.

Carried

8.2.2 NEAC – Thursday, May 21, 2009

159/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ That, the minutes from the NEAC Meeting be acknowledged as received:

- NEAC – May 21, 2009

Carried

8.3 Statutory Committee Meetings

8.3.1 SEAC – Wednesday, March 4, 2009

160/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

✓ That, the minutes from the SEAC Meeting be acknowledged as received:

- SEAC – March 4, 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 Nipigon-Red Rock DHS: Student Presentation re Turtle Concepts Workshop

NRHS Vice Principal Barb Willcocks introduced student, Melina Potan who provided a personal reflection on the Turtle Concepts sessions that she participated in the spring. In thanking her, Board Chair M. Mannisto presented her with a Turtle Concepts T-shirts

161/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal presentation from Nipigon-Red Rock DHS student, Melina Potan regarding the Turtle Concepts Workshop.

Carried

10.2 Manitouwadge High School: E-Learning

MNHS Principal Brian Johnson provided a synopsis of the E-learning outcomes and insights realized in the last two years of program at SGDSB. He cited program benefits such as scheduling that could suit a student's timetable as opposed to a school's particular timetable and the elimination of the transition time between classes as well as in-class distractions. This past year MNHS offered Grade 12 History and a Calculus/Vector course. Among the challenges was establishing a teacher/student relationship, as each must commit to developing and maintaining communication via the technology and not a traditional classroom setting.

162/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal presentation from Principal Brian Johnson regarding E-Learning.

Carried

10.3 Update: Student Trustees

10.3.1 Report No. 43: Student Views on Course Selection

Student Trustee Kayla Kjellman provided a comprehensive review of her written report dealing with course selection in high schools. She undertook to survey senior students from NRHS and LSHS to determine whether students are considering leaving SGDSB for another area in order to gain access to specific courses.

163/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Turner

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ That,, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 43: Student Views on Course Selection.

Carried

10.3.2 Update: Student Trustees

Student Trustee Kayla Richard provided a verbal report on the process undertaken for the new student trustee assignments (2009-2010). Nominations packages were made available to all high school senior students and information was posted in schools in early May. All applicants nominated were shortlisted by Lisa Marszowski and Kayla Richard with guidance provided by Barbara Draper, Coordinator of Human Resource Services. Kayla Kjellman (2008-2009) student trustee did not take part, as she was herself one of the nominees, applying for a second term of office. Interview dates were set and conducted via videoconference. An interview rubric containing a numerical scale was used to rate the candidate answers. Danielle Robinson of MRHS, Sarah Duffus of GCHS and incumbent, Kayla Kjellman of NRHS were selected.

Student Trustee Lisa Marszowski provided an update on the welcome package that she has compiled for incoming student trustees. The information includes a guide on how to

be a student trustee, and the significant responsibility that position holds. L. Marszowski was asked to share the guide with the board via e-mail.

Director Patti Pella extended her thanks and gratitude to all the outgoing trustees and welcomed K. Kjellman back for a second term. The oath of office for the student trustees will take place at the board meeting on August 24, 2009.

164/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee J. Turner

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

Carried

11.0 Reports of the Director of Education

(Director: Patti Pella)

11.1 Report No. 44: 2009 Summer Break and Board Business

P. Pella noted that it is a long-standing practice to cancel the Board Meeting scheduled in July as school business does taper down considerably during the summer break.

165/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 44: 2009 Summer Break and Business., and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB cancels the Regular Board meeting, scheduled on Monday, July 20, 2009, and

That, administration be authorized, in conjunction with available trustees to conduct the business of the board as the need may arise during July and August 2009.

Carried

11.2 16-Month Calendar: 2010 Regular Board Meeting Date List

P. Pella advised that with the production of the board 16-month calendar (September 2009 to December 2010) is underway. In order to include pertinent information to parents regarding board events through 2010 a suggested schedule of dates and meeting rotation was proposed. The schedule was accepted with an amendment to have the August 2010 board meeting on August 23. Board meeting dates for 2010 are:

2010 Date	Site	Time	Date	Site	Time
Monday, January 18	SGDSB	6:30 p.m.	Monday, July 19	SGDSB	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, February 16	LSHS	6:30 p.m.	Monday, August 23	NRHS	6:30 p.m.
Monday, March 22	GCHS	6:30 p.m.	Monday, September 20	MNHS	6:30 p.m.
Monday, April 19	NRHS	6:30 p.m.	Monday, October 18	GCHS	6:30 p.m.
Monday, May 17,	MNHS	6:30 p.m.	Monday, November 15	SGDSB	6:30 p.m.
Monday, June 21	LSHS	6:30 p.m.	Monday, December 6	SGDSB	2:30 p.m.

166/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal report from Patti Pella to set the 2010 Regular Board Meeting schedule of dates and designated site rotation, and

That, the Superior Greenstone DSB accepts the attached recommendation as its schedule for the 2010 Regular Board Meeting dates and designated site rotation as amended.

Carried

11.3 Suggested Date Change: August 2009 Regular Board Meeting

P. Pella requested the board's consideration to change the August 17, 2009 board meeting to Monday, August 24, 2009 as she is scheduled to attend numerous ministry and director's meetings throughout the week of August 17.

167/09

Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information the verbal report from Patti Pella for a date change for the August 2009 Regular Board Meeting, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the date change for the August Regular Board meeting from Monday, August 17, 2009 to Monday, August 24, 2009.

Carried

11.4 Ministry of Education Initiative: One Life-Many Gifts

P. Pella reported that Minister of Education Kathleen Wynne has approved the pilot program "One Life-Many Gifts". It will be incorporated into the curriculum for senior students. She advised that the program is not meant to lobby for organ donation, but rather create awareness among senior students about the program so they can make an informed decision about the issue on their own.

168/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, the verbal report from Patti Pella in regard to the Ministry Initiative - One Life-Many Gifts.

Carried

11.5 Correspondence: June 1, 2009 Town of Marathon

P. Pella advised that a letter from the Town of Marathon announcing its application to establish and operate a Municipal Hazardous Waste Depot at the existing Marathon Landfill Site on Penn Lake Road. The town invites public comments regarding the plan.

169/09

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, correspondence from the Town of Marathon, dated, June 1, 2009, and

That, administration be directed to write a letter of response to the Town of Marathon to outline its concern about plan.

Carried

12.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: K. Notwell)

Superintendent of Education:

12.1 Nicole Morden-Cormier: School Effectiveness Lead

N. Morden-Cormier provided a brief verbal report about the Early Learning Symposium held in early June; specifically the kindergarten workshop on purposeful play sponsored by ETFO. Of particular note was the subject of purposeful play for children. Purposeful play is one of the recommendations contained in the current release of Dr. Charles Pascal's report entitled "With Our Best Future in Mind. He recommends that schools have this program in place by 2010.

12.2 Report No 45: Special Education Board Plan - 2009

Colleen Kappel advised that each year in conjunction with SEAC, boards must submit a Special Education Board Plan with updated statistics and amendments, should there be any. She noted that the section on exceptionalities has been removed, as it is not required content in board plans.

170/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 45: Special Education Board Plan – 2009, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Special Education Board Plan 2009 and forward it to the Ministry of Education for review and approval.

Carried

12.3 Report No 46: Special Funding-Native Language and Native Studies Courses

Student Success Coordinator reported that funding continues in 2009-2010 to support Native Language and study courses. Secondary school timetables will include the addition of one Native course section given that a minimum enrolment of eight students is reached.

171/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee T. Simmons

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 46: Special Funding for Native Language and Native Studies courses as presented, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the addition of sections to each of the secondary schools when they provide evidence that there is sufficient student enrollment in the Native Studies/Native Language courses to warrant adding a course to their timetable.

Carried

13.0 Reports of the Business Committee

(Business Chair: J. Turner)

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

13.1 Report No. 47: Estimates 2009-2010

Bruce Rousseau provided a comprehensive review of the budget estimate proposal for 2009-2010. As required, the budget will be forwarded to the ministry for approval before the end of June.

172/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 47: Estimates 2009-2010 as presented, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB adopt the Budget Estimates for the 2009-2010 school year as presented.

Carried

13.2 Report No.48: 2009 Internal Audit Report

Manager of Accounting Services Cathy Tsubouchi provided an overview of the report advising that in May and June, the Lake Superior High School, Terrace Bay Public School and Schreiber Public School underwent an audit. Cash handling, inventory and purchasing were the areas of focus for the audit. Bruce Rousseau completed an enrolment audit.

173/09

Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow

Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 48: Internal Audit for 2009 as presented, and

That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB accept the 2009 Internal Audit recommendations as presented.

Carried

14.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: M. Mannisto

14.1 Report No. 49: Disbursements – May 2009

174/09

Moved by: *Trustee T. Simmons*

Seconded by: *Trustee C. Brown*

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 49: Disbursements for May 2009.

Carried

14.2 Report No. 50: Personnel – June 15, 2009

175/09

Moved by: *Trustee D. Keenan*

Seconded by: *Trustee K. Notwell*

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information, Report No. 50: Personnel dated June 15, 2009.

Carried

15.0 New Business

15.1 Board Chair

M. Mannisto advised that the Ministry has directed that the Area School Boards of Nakina and Caramat be amalgamated with our board. Ministry offices are and will continue through the summer to direct administration on the amalgamation process.

15.2 Correspondence:

15.2.1 May 6, 2009: Support Ontario Buy Local

The Homegrown Ontario™ partners request to have the board support a motion to purchase only locally produced meat and poultry as a local sustainable procurement practice was declined.

15.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

It was suggested that a parliamentary section added to each board agenda. P. Pella advised that such an item is subject that is more conducive to a professional development setting. This will be slated for the fall Trustee Professional Development event.

16.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

Trustee Darlene Keenan reported that Colleen Schenk was re-elected as president of OPSBA, while Catherine Fife and Riley Brockington were all elected as vice-presidents to OPSBA. Lori Lukinuk was elected to the Executive Council as Vice President, Northern Region.

17.0 Observer Comments

Julie Smith - Library Technician (MTPS): Reading from a statement, Ms. Smith appealed to the Board to reconsider its budget (2009-2010) decision to reduce the library technician position at Margaret Twomey PS to a half time assignment.

Harry Meech – Teacher (MTPS): spoke briefly in support of maintaining the positions of Library Technician at 1.0 FTE and secretarial staff at 1.5 FTE.

Karen McIlwain – Teacher (MTPS): Reading from a statement, Ms. McIlwain reiterated support and provided a rationale for board to consider maintaining a full time Library Technician at MTPS as well as 1.5 FTE.

18.0 Adjournment

176/09

Moved by: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded by: Trustee C. Brown

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2009/07 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, June 15, 2009
be adjourned at 9:25 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 24 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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Committee of the Whole Board: 6:30 p.m.

Monday, June 15, 2009

Designated Site: Manitouwadge High School, Manitouwadge, ON

TOPICS

Board Chair: Mark Mannisto

VC Sites at: SGBO / GCHS / LSHS / NRHS

Director Designate: Bruce Rousseau

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joanne

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. 50)

(B. Draper)

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MINUTES

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2009

SECRETARY

CHAIR