

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 2010/04

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, March 22, 2010

Designated Site: Board Meeting Room, Marathon, ON

Board Chair: Julie Sparrow

Director: Patti Pella

VC Sites at: GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / NRHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

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

Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 6:35 p.m.
 Section (B) : – (open to public): 7:06 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				Mannisto, Mark	X				
Brown, Cindy	X					Notwell, Kathryn		X			
Duffus, Sarah (Student)		X				Robinson, Danielle (Student)	X				
Fisher, Cindy				X		Simmons, Tina			X		
Keenan, Darlene		X				Sparrow, Julie	X				
Kjellman, Kayla (Student)			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				
Tamblyn, David: Assistant to the Director of Education			X		
Newton, Valerie: Superintendent Student Success	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

Board Chair Julie Sparrow conducted roll call. Trustees present are 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 reported.

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

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed **79/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee Keenan*

✓ *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.*

3.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session **80/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee Keenan*

✓ *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.*

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

Section (B): – (open to public): 7:06 p.m.

4.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order **81/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee Keenan*

✓ *That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 22, 2010 be called to order at 7:06 p.m.*

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

5.1 82/10

Moved by: *Trustee Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee Keenan*

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

6.0 Approval of Agenda **83/10**

Moved by: *Trustee Mannisto*

Second: *Trustee Keenan*

✓ *That, the agenda for Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting 2010/03 Tuesday, February 16, 2010 be accepted and approved as amended to add agenda items:*

- *11.4 Bylaw No. 119 – Debenture*
- *12.3 Health and Safety Recommendations*
- *15.3 OSSTF Excellence in Education Award Banquet.*

7.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest reported.

8.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings

84/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the minutes from the following Board Meetings be adopted:

- Regular Board Meeting – February 16, 2010
- Special Board Meeting – February 23, 2010, and

That the minutes of the following Board Committee and Standing Committee meetings be acknowledged as received

- Parent Involvement Committee – February 2, 2010
- Special Education Advisory Committee – February 9, 2010
- Board Policy Review Committee – February 22, 2010

85/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone DSB accept the recommendations outlined in the BPRC minutes of February 22, 2010 and approve as reviewed:

- PG – Partnerships with External Agencies

to be posted to the Board website with an implementation date of January 1, 2010 and it shall supersede any previous policies and management guidelines.

9.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

10.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

10.1 Excellence in Education: Nipigon-Red Rock DHS: Intermediate Math Coaching

Sheri Kingston, Teacher and math coach at Nipigon-Red Rock DHS provided a verbal report on the Intermediate Math Coaching Program within board schools. The program involves professional learning communities for teachers of mathematics in grades 7 to 10. Funding for the program will continue through this school year.

10.2 Student Trustees' Update

Sarah Duffus (GCHS), Kayla Kjellman (NRHS) and Danielle Robinson (MRHS) each provided a verbal update on the school community events in their respective schools.

11.0 Reports of the Business Committee

(Business Chair: D. Keenan)

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

11.1 Report No. 26: Update: B.A. Parker Public School Project

Wayne Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services provided highlights from Report No. 26. He added that architect drawings have been posted to the website and noted that pre-qualifications for contractors have been run. Contractor response is good.

11.2 Report No. 27: Distribution of Board Members for 2010 Election

Bruce Rousseau, Superintendent of Business provided highlights of Report No. 27, explaining that trustee distribution was the second step in the process to prepare for the Municipal election. In February, the board passed a motion to retain the current board trustee representation of eight members. Ontario boards have the option to apply to redistribute the eight trustee seats among the municipalities within its jurisdiction. However, such redistribution should not see representation of the electorate deviate unduly from the principle of representation by population. He noted that the current trustee distribution complies with the Ministry of Education's election principles and affords all municipalities within Superior-Greenstone DSB reasonable representation.

Trustee Bartlett requested a recorded vote. Trustees Mannisto and Keenan supported the request for a recorded vote.

86/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB has decided not to designate any municipality within the board's area of jurisdiction as a low population municipality for the 2010 Election.

Recorded Vote

Yes	No
C. Brown	B. Bartlett
D. Keenan	
M. Mannisto	
K. Notwell	
T. Simmons	
J. Sparrow	

11.3 Report No. 28: Disbursements – February 2010

B. Rousseau briefly reviewed this report.

11.4 Bylaw No. 119 – Debenture

B. Rousseau advised that this is a financial bylaw to cover the process for ministry funding for the capital projects of district boards under the Good Places to Learn Program.

87/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Bylaw No. 119: Authority for Loan from the Ontario Financing Authority.

88/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve Bylaw No. 119, a Bylaw to Authorize a Loan from the Ontario Financing Authority.

12.0 Reports of the Director of Education

(Director: Patti Pella)

12.1 Correspondence

12.1.1 Travel Industry Council of Ontario (TICO)

Patti Pella, Director of Education advised that the letter received from TICO outlines requirements and rules under the Travel Industry Act 2002 with which board schools must comply in making school trip travel arrangements. It has been forwarded to school principals for their review.

12.1.2 District School Board of Niagara (DSBN)

P. Pella advised the letter from DSBN as copied to Ontario school board states DSBN's position that the Ontario Public School Boards' Association conduct a review of Ontario Regulation 357/06 – Honoraria for Board Members. Trustee Darlene Keenan, as this board's northern director to OPSBA will bring forward to the next meeting that SGDSB supports the request to conduct a review, however it also feels it remuneration scale is fair.

12.2 Cardboard Boat Race MRHS Congratulation

P. Pella extended congratulations to Marathon High School students and teacher Shawna Grouette for the excellent Cardboard Boat Provincial Championship Race held in Thunder Bay on February 25, 2010. The student team consisting of Alannah Dart, Jordan Pricipe, Montana Ross and Chris Tomlinson placed tenth. Their cardboard boat held 547 pounds and they finished the race in 28 seconds.

12.3 Occupational Health and Safety Committee (OH&S)

P. Pella provided an update from this committee. In its Terms of Reference, the OH&S committee indicates that it shall send all recommendations to the Director's office for action and the Director shall keep the board informed of the recommendations. Two recommendations are forthcoming in report to the board in March.

13.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: K. Notwell)

Assistant to the Director of Education: David Tamblyn

13.1 Report No. 29: Elementary Enrolment and Staffing Implications for September 2010

David Tamblyn, Assistant to the Director provided highlights of Report No. 29. The final proposal will be brought to the board in April. Declining enrolment continues to impact negatively as new registrations are significantly outnumbered by graduating classes. Trustees asked that projections be presented with comparison to current year figures and a breakdown that can illuminate special needs provisions. Due to privacy issues and small school grade sizes, special needs information can only be published anecdotally or by percentage.

Director P. Pella noted that from a business perspective, the declining numbers does have implications toward next steps as related to Policy 905 Pupil Accommodation. This discussion would see operating costs examined, especially in that vacant space in facilities is significant and cause for review toward accommodating students in a new, efficient manner. A report on these matters is anticipated in May or June.

13.2 Report No. 30: Superior-Greenstone DSB's eLearning Program: Help for Students

Val Newton Superintendent of Student Success provided high lights from Report No 30 and took questions on the topic.

13.3 February 16, 2010-Report No 24: Restorative Practices-Alternative Approach to Student Discipline

Report No 24 was reintroduced by V. Newton as it was presented to the board at the regular meeting on February 16, 2010. Highlights of the report were presented and questions on the topic were answered by V. Newton.

13.4 Report No. 31: Update: YouTube Trial

Brad Ross, Coordinator of Information Technology advised the Report No. 31 outlines a plan to continue the pilot project for Teacher access to YouTube for presenting classroom lessons. The pilot, originally slated to run through February 2010 will continue to the end of June 2010. This would provide a better timeframe within which to compile data regarding the use and usefulness of this type of electronic resource to teachers.

14.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: J. Sparrow

14.2 Report No. 01 (In-Camera Report): Casual/Non-Union Salary Grid

Discussion and/or inquiries concerning this report took place during the closed session.

89/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the amendments to the Casual/Non-Union Salary Grid, effective April 1, 2010.

14.1 Report No. 32: Personnel – March 22, 2010

Discussion and/or inquiries concerning personnel took place during the closed session.

90/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Brown

✓ **That**, Superior-Greenstone District School Board accept the Personnel Report No. 32 as circulated.

15.0 New Business

15.1 Board Chair

15.2 Correspondence:

P. Pella advised that the OSSTF Excellence in Education Award Banquet is scheduled on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Confederation College Ryan Hall in Thunder Bay. Tickets can be ordered for trustees who wish to attend.

16.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

Trustee Darlene Keenan provided background information of the Ontario Student Trustee Association (OSTA) events, indicating that students attending its fall, winter and spring conferences are under close supervision and must sign off two-page conduct code to attend events. OSTA is developing a new Student Trustee Handbook.

Ontario board members are being asked to submit feedback on-line about the current movement to update the mandate of Parent Involvement Committees. The deadline to submit comments is April 12, 2010.

The ministry is also soliciting feedback from board members about Bill 242 Full Day Learning. The deadline to submit comments is March 29, 2010.

17.0 Observer Comments

(Members of the public limited to 2-minute address)

18.0 Adjournment

91/10

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2010/04 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, March 22, 2010 be adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

2010 Board Meeting Schedule

2010 Dates	Time	Location		2009 Dates	Time	Location
Monday, March 22	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office (SGB0)		Monday, August 23	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office (SGB0)
Monday, April 19	6:30 p.m.	SGB0		Monday, September 20	6:30 p.m.	SGB0
Monday, May 17	6:30 p.m.	SGB0		Monday, October 18	6:30 p.m.	SGB0
Monday, June 21	6:30 p.m.	SGB0		Monday, November 15	6:30 p.m.	SGB0
Monday, July 19	6:30 p.m.	SGB0		Monday, December 6	12:00 p.m.	SGB0

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

- 1.0 Personnel Report: (Trustee Queries re Personnel Report No. 32) (B. Draper)
- 2.0 OMERS Amalgamation –CAPS & NAPS (B.Draper)
- 3.0 Report No. 01 (In-Camera Report)
Casual/Non-Union Salary Grid (Attached - B.Draper)