

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 2011/02

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

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

Designated Site: Lake Superior High School, Terrace Bay, ON

Board Chair: Bette Bartlett

VC Sites at: GCHS / MNHS / NRHS / SGBO

Acting Director: David Tamblyn

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

PART II: Regular Board Meeting

PART III: Committee of the Whole Board

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

Section (B) : – (open to public): 7:05 p.m.

Section (C) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 9:10 p.m.

Note: This Regular Board meeting was postponed to January 18, 2011 due to inclement weather, which prevented board members from travelling to meet quorum on January 17, the day this meeting had been scheduled. It was postponed at the direction of the Board Chair in consultation with the Acting Director David Tamblyn.

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					McRae, Pauline			X		
Brown, Cindy		X				Pelletier, Allison <i>(Student)</i>			X		
Carlino, Daniela <i>(Student)</i>	X					Robinson, Danielle <i>(Student)</i>					X
Fisher, Cindy — <i>(joined @ 8:00P)</i>		X				Santerre, Angel	X				
Keenan, Darlene		X				Simonaitis, Fred	X				
Mannisto, Mark — <i>(excused @ 8:05P)</i>		X				Simmons, Tina			X		

<u>Board Administrators</u>	Attendance Mode: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)				
	OS	TC	VC	A	R
Tamblyn, David: Acting Director of Education / Superintendent of Education	X				
Patti Pella: Director of Education				X	
Tsubouchi, Cathy: Superintendent of Business			X		
Williams, Dianne: Manager of Accounting Services			X		
Chiupka, Wayne: Manager of Plant Services/Transportation			X		
Willcocks, Barb: Student Success Leader		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

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 declared.

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

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed **25/11**

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee Simonaitis

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

Carried

3.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

26/11

Moved by: Trustee Simmons

Second: Trustee Brown

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section A (Closed Session) at 6:58 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

Section (B): – (open to public): 7:05 p.m.

4.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

27/11

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee Keenan

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2011 be called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Carried

5.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Session

5.1 Nil

6.0 Approval of Agenda

28/11

Moved by: Trustee McRae

Second: Trustee Mannisto

✓ ***That***, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2011/02 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, January 17, 2011 be accepted and approved as amended to correct Item 11.4 recommendation to read Board Budget Estimate Process- 2011-2012; not 2010-2011.

Carried

7.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest declared.

8.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings

29/11

Moved by: Trustee McRae

Second: Trustee Santerre

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

- Inaugural/Organizational/ Regular Board Meeting – December 3, 2010, and
- Special Board Meeting – December 14, 2010

Carried

A discussion about acceptance and approval of the Board's In-Camera, closed minutes was held, the conclusion being that, future board agendas will provide a specific recommendation about accepting the confidential transcriptions.

9.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

10.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

10.1 Lake Superior Binational Forum: Presentation by Delegate: Jody Davis

Jody Davis, as a member of the Lake Superior Binational Forum addressed the board about the forum's vision and mission is to protect and restore the Lake Superior water basin. He is also the Chair of the Lake Superior National Marine Conversation Area Interim Management Board. He advised that the forum is interested in having young people more involved in understanding the importance protecting this natural resource. He suggests that the forum's Lake Superior Stewards program is a conduit for educators to use to assist them in teaching about the environment and Lake Superior itself.

10.2 Student Trustees' Update

10.2.1 Allison Pelletier provided a verbal update about events at Geraldton Composite High School. Events this past included:

- A successful Christmas food drive, tripling results from last year
- Teachers held a pancake breakfast for students
- Christmas concert drama was very successful with a silent auction held at its conclusion featuring 15 School Band Sweaters from the 1950's up for bid. Money raised was split between student council and the school library.
- New school website is up and it has been well viewed

Ms. Pelletier also requested on behalf of herself and the other student trustees an opportunity to attend the Ontario Student Trustees' Association Board Council Conference in Ottawa be considered for board approval. The event happens in Ottawa on February 10 through 13, 2011.

10.2.2 Daniela Carlino provided a verbal update for both Lake Superior High School (LSHS) and Nipigon Red Rock District High School (NRHS). At NRHS she reported that:

- A semi-formal Christmas dance at NRHS was successful and incident free
- Boys basketball and girls volleyball are current sporting events being held
- Student council raised funds through a student council bake sale
- A Christmas assembly was enjoyed by all
- Student versus teachers hockey game was well attended
- A pajama day is planned for January 19th with prizes
- NRHS Winter Carnival is scheduled for the week of February 28th

At LSHS she reported:

- The school's entry into a competition for Healthy Schools was successful with the video entry taking first prize, which was a commercial toasting machine. It can deliver 400 servings of toast per hour and will be used for their breakfast program. The winning video entry was played for the board members
- LSHS law class has embarked upon a project that involves creating a full court drama illustrating a case of charges in a drinking and driving accident.

10.2.3 Danielle Robinson did not report at this meeting, having sent in regrets due to conflicting commitments.

10.2.4 OSTA-AECO Board Conference Approval

30/11

Moved by: Trustee McRae Second: Trustee Brown

✓ That, the three Student Trustees can attend OSTA-AECO Conference in Ottawa from February 10-13, 2011 as long as a female staff member or adult Trustees chaperone to accompany them.

Carried

11.0 Reports of the Business Committee

(Business Chair: D. Keenan)

Superintendent of Business: C. Tsubouchi

- 11.1 Report No. 09: BA Parker PS Replacement Project Update
Wayne Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services provided an update on the project. The construction schedule remains on target for completion by September 2011.
- 11.2 Information Item: Norm Critchley
W. Chiupka reported that Norm Critchley, a principal of Critchley, Delean, Trussler, Evans, Bertrand Architectural firm in North Bay, Ontario, passed away on December 21, 2010. Mr. Critchley had a long association with the board working on six new school construction, four renovations and many other smaller projects. Condolences have been sent to the family.
- 11.3 Report No. 10: Disbursements – November & December 2010
Dianne William, Manager of Accounting Services provided a brief overview of the report.
- 11.4 Report No. 11: Budget Estimate Process 2011-2012
Cathy Tsubouchi, Superintendent of Business provided an overview of the report noting that the ministry expects to release the Grants for Student Needs in March 2011. By June 30, boards are expected to submit a balanced budget. The timeline and process for developing the budget are delineated in this report.

31/11

Moved by: Trustee Simonaitis

Second: Trustee Brown

✓ **That, Report No. 11: Board Budget Estimate Process- 2011-2012 School year be accepted as presented.**

Carried

- 11.5 Report No. 12: Trustee Equipment
C. Tsubouchi advised that a formal written report is unavailable at this time as collection of information regarding trustee needs is not complete. A discussion ensued with the board members indicating some of the areas they believe warrant review. An e-mail survey will be compiled by Ms. Tsubouchi and forwarded to trustees wherein each can indicate the equipment they now have on hand and provide to her feedback on technical equipment each expects is necessary in the conduct of the board's business.

12.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Acting Director of Education: David Tamblyn

- 12.1 Correspondence:
- 12.1.1 Thunder Bay District Health Unit
Interim, Acting Director David Tamblyn reported that receipt of the letter from the Thunder Bay District Health Unit (TBDHU) transpired after the incident of smoking on school property was brought to the attention of board senior administration. Measures as articulated in the letter from TBDHU were taken and the actions reported to the TBDHU as it was copied on letters sent to the parties involved in the incident.
- 12.1.2 Skills Competition Canada-Cardboard Board Race
D. Tamblyn noted the attachments provided are for information and sharing the good news event, i.e., Marathon High School Falcons' team entry took first place in the regional competition.

13.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: Pinky McRae)

Superintendent of Education: David Tamblyn

- 13.1 Report No. 13: Focused Mathematics Improvement
Nicole Morden-Cormier, School Effectiveness Framework Leader and Carol Vien, Math Facilitator provided a comprehensive review of the report sharing information about the work being done in our schools in mathematics.

- 13.2 Report No. 14: School College Work Initiative
Barbara Willcocks, Student Success Leader provided a comprehensive review of the report that updates the board about the SCWI, the community partnerships involved and high school delivery of dual credit course subjects.
- 13.3 Report No. 15: Mathematic Textbooks
Interim Acting Director, David Tamblyn noted that the report addresses concerns raised by Trustee McRae regarding availability of grade 11 academic math course texts at Marathon High School (MRHS). Upon investigating this with MRHS Vice Principal textbooks are in good supply now
- 13.4 Report No 16: Program Projects and PD Opportunities
D. Tamblyn provided an overview of this report advising its purpose was to highlight the initiatives active within the board.

14.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: Bette Bartlett

- 14.1 Report No. 17: Personnel – January 17, 2011
This report was presented for information with specific inquiries regarding staff addressed during the in-camera, closed section.

15.0 New Business

15.1 Board Chair

15.1.1 Date Change re Trustee Spring Professional Development

Board Chairperson Bette Bartlett inquired if the trustee group felt it needed to move the Trustee PD event up from its current scheduling, i.e., May 2011. Trustee concur that a date in May remains suitable.

15.1.2 Trustees' Reports of Constituent Concerns

B. Bartlett inquired if, in light of Bill 177 the trustee group wanted this agenda item added to future agenda releases. Trustees concur that this item be a regular item on future agendas.

15.2 Correspondence:

15.2.1 Niagara District School Board

B. Bartlett noted that both she and D. Tamblyn received the letter that outlines concerns about the high cost of special education program delivery.

D. Tamblyn advised that new funding formula for special education is a concern as it could well add to the funding shortfall already experienced at SGDSB. The Northern Ontario Education Leaders are compiling a paper to address the issue with the ministry.

Ms. Bartlett added that she is also concerned about the differences in funding between the public and Catholic boards, i.e., the per pupil amount is higher for the Catholic boards. She asked D. Tamblyn to provide the board with information about the per pupil amount difference between the two and to investigate why the Catholic board allocation is higher than public boards.

Trustees concur with a suggestion made by Trustee Cindy Brown to forward a letter to the ministry that outlines SGDSB concerns overall with special education. Trustee C. Fisher agreed to work in with D. Tamblyn to compose a letter that includes reference to the funding inequity relative to the Aboriginal student education, i.e., tuition agreement students.

15.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

Greenstone Alternative Education Program – a board report by Student Trustee Allison Pelletier

15.4 Miscellaneous

Nil

16.0 Notice of Motion

Nil

17.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

17.1 OPSBA

18.0 Observer Comments

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

PART III: Committee of the Whole Board

Section (C) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 9:10 p.m.

19.0 Disclosure of Interest: re Closed Session

There were no disclosure of interest declared.

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

21.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed
32/11

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee Brown

✓ **That,** t the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section C (Closed Session) at 9:10 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public

Carried

21.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session
33/11

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee Simonaitis

✓ **That,** the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section C (Closed Session) at 10:50 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

22.0 Adjournment

34/11

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee Simonaitis

✓ **That,** the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2011/02 Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, January 18, 2011 be adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

Carried

2011 Board Meeting Schedule

2011 Dates	Time	Location		2009 Dates	Time	Location
Monday, January 17	6:30 p.m.	LSHS		Monday , July 18	6:30 p.m.	SGB0
Tuesday, February 22	6:30 p.m.	Marathon Board Office (SGB0)		Monday, August 15	6:30 p.m.	SGB0
Monday, March 21	6:30 p.m.	MNHS		Friday, September 16	3:00 p.m.	MNHS
Monday, April 18	6:30 p.m.	GCHS		Monday, October 17	6:30 p.m.	GCHS
Friday, May 27	3:00 p.m.	NRHS		Monday, November 21	12:00 p.m.	NRHS
Monday, June 20	6:30 p.m.	LSHS		Monday, December 5	6:30 p.m.	NRHS