

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 2011/09

Committee of Whole Board In-Camera
 (Closed to Public) 3:30 p.m.

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

MINUTES

Friday, September 16, 2011

Designated Site: Geraldton Composite High School, Videoconference Room, Geraldton, ON

Board Chair: Pauline (Pinky) McRae

Director: David Tamblyn

VC Sites at: GCHS / LSHS / MNHS / NRHS

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

PART I: Committee of Whole Board

Section (A) In-Camera: : – (closed to public): 3:30 p.m.

PART II: Regular Board Meeting

Section (B) : – (open to public) 3:57 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				McRae, Pauline (Pinky)	X				
Dart, Alannah (Student)					X	Pelletier, Allison (Student)	X				
Fisher, Cindy		X				Rozsel, Christine (Student)	X				
Fisher, Matthew	X					Santerre, Angel	X				
Keenan, Darlene					X	Simonaitis, Fred	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: Director of Education	X					
Petrick, Nancy: Superintendent of Education	X					
Tsubouchi, Cathy: Superintendent of Business	X					
Williams, Dianne: Manager of Accounting Services			X			
Chiupka, Wayne: Manager of Plant Services/Transportation	X					
Morden-Cormier, Nicole: School Effectiveness Leader	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

Board Chair P. McRae conducted roll call and members were present as noted above.

PART I: *Committee of the Whole Board*

Section (A) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 3:30 p.m.

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

2.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board - Closed

203/11

Moved by: Trustee Santerre

Second: Trustee M. Fisher

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section A (Closed Session) at 3:35 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

2.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

204/11

Moved by: Trustee M. Fisher

Second: Trustee C. Brown

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section A (Closed Session) at 3:57 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

PART II: *Regular Board Meeting*

Section (B): – (open to public): 3:57 p.m.

3.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

205/11

Moved by: Trustee Simonaitis

Second: Trustee Santerre

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, August 22, 2011 be called to order at 3:59 p.m.

Carried

4.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Section A

4.1 207/11

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Second: Trustee Mannisto

✓ ***That***, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Committee of the Whole, In-Camera Section A (Closed) Reports be adopted including the confidential minutes' record from meetings held on

1. Regular Board Meeting 08-2011 – August 22, 2011

Carried

Note: The chronology of the motion was interrupted as per the Board Chair's correction of the proceedings as the agenda was approved before the motion above to accept the in-camera reports and confidential board minutes.

5.0 Approval of Agenda

206/11

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee M. Fisher

✓ ***That***, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2011/09 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, September 16, 2011 be accepted and approved as amended to add:

- Item 11.4 Report No. 81
- Item 12.4 Correspondence
 - 12.4.4 Grand Erie DSB
 - 12.4.5 Katherine Fife

Carried

6.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest reported at this time.

7.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings

208/11

Moved by: Trustee M. Fisher

Second: Trustee C. Brown

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

1. Regular Board Meeting 08-2011 – August 22, 2011

Carried

8.0 Board Committee Reports: (Statutory / Standing / Ad Hoc)

- Board Audit Committee: Trustee Mannisto reported the next meeting is scheduled on September 28, 2011.
- Board Policy Review Committee: Trustee C. Brown advised the next meeting is scheduled on September 27, 2011
- Native Education Advisory Committee: There are no meetings to report.
- Occupational Health and Safety Committee: One issue related to the BAPS facility has been resolved with assistance from Plant Manager Wayne Chiupka has resolved
- Parent Involvement Committee: The next meeting is scheduled in November 2011
- Special Education Advisory Committee: There are no meetings to report.
- Transportation Committee: There are no meetings to report.
- Ontario Public School Boards' Association: There are no meetings to report.

9.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

10.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

10.1 Student Trustees' Update

(Verbal – Student Trustees)

10.1.1 Alannah Dart

Christine Rozsel provided a report on behalf of Alannah Dart who sent regrets for this meeting. The report included an update on sporting events at Marathon HS and advice that student council elections were to get underway shortly. The yearbook group has commenced its work, a dance is planned in late September and preparations have begun to hold a school pep rally.

10.1.2 Allison Pelletier

Reported that increased participation has been realized through the formation of a School Super Council, a combined athletic and student's council. Students are getting used to the changes in the school as a result of the having the new B.A. Parker Public School now housed within the Geraldton Composite HS building. She provided a sports team update and said that the yearbook committee is getting underway. This year, the Peer Leadership Program has been discontinued since the John Howard Society funding is no longer in place. The Outers group has a two-day fall trip planned

10.1.3 Christine Rozsel

Manitouwadge HS has had an excellent startup with 30 incoming students. Student Council and Athletic Council elections have been held. The senior boys' volleyball team held a car wash to raise money, while the athletic association as a silver night silent auction and dinner planned to raise money for sports.

10.2 Board Improvement Plan Process for 2011-2012

Director David Tamblyn provided a brief introduction to this topic, advising that under Bill 177 the role of the trustee role has changed to one where the focus is on student achievement and

wellbeing. Thereafter, Superintendent of Education Nancy Petrick, along with School Effectiveness Framework Leader Nicole Morden-Cormier and Student Success Leader Barb Willcocks provided an outline of how the Board Improvement Plan would be developed through their respective areas. The Board Improvement Plan informs the Director's Annual Report and is also a pivotal piece from which the Board of Trustees would develop its Strategic Plan.

11.0 Reports of the Business Committee

(Business Chair: D. Keenan)

Superintendent of Business: C. Tsubouchi

11.1 Report No. 74: Enrolment Update as at September 9, 2011

Superintendent of Business Cathy Tsubouchi reported that enrolment is down by 23 FTE students from projections. She noted that this early report does not yet include the numbers for the adult education, which may serve to even out the statistics. The official count date for ministry funding purposes is October 31.

11.2 Report No. 75: Disbursements – July and August 2011

D. Williams provided a brief overview of Report No.75.

11.3 Report No. 76: Pupil Accommodation – 2011

Superintendent of Education Nancy Petrick reported that Manitouwadge Public School and Manitouwadge High School have been identified for a group accommodation review, possible closure(s) and/or restructuring based on criteria as contained in Board Policy 905. The review is meant to address issues such as large areas of vacant space within the buildings, program viability and school operating and maintenance costs. Manitouwadge Public School and Manitouwadge High School currently have pupil places of 316 and 369 respectfully, while actual enrolment is significantly less than this. The reviews would entail the formation of an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) and the unfolding of a series of public meetings before the ARC would report to the Board on its findings late in the 2011-2012 school year.

209/11

Moved by: Trustee Mannisto

Second: Trustee M. Fisher

✓ That, in accordance with Board Policy 905-Pupil Accommodation, the Superior-Greenstone DSB recommend the commencement of a group school accommodation study for Manitouwadge Public School and Manitouwadge High School.

Carried

11.4 Report No. 81: Demolition of Old Manitouwadge High School Tender Award

As an amendment to the board agenda, W. Chiupka presented Report 81 advising the tender for the demolition of the old Manitouwadge HS closed on September 14, 2011. In June 2011, the ministry approved funding for this project and the tendering process followed.

210/11

Moved by: Trustee Simonaitis

Second: Trustee Santerre

✓ Be it resolved that, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the tender for the Demolition of the Old Manitouwadge High School be awarded to Budget Environmental Disposal Inc. in the amount of \$278,700.00 (HST extra)

Carried

12.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Director of Education: David Tamblyn

12.1 Appointment: Nancy Petrick- Superintendent of Education

Director Tamblyn advised the motion to appoint N. Petrick follows as a ministry requires a formal resolution to process the approval for her appointment.

211/11

Moved by: Trustee M. Fisher

Second: Trustee Santerre

✓ **That**, Nancy Petrick, Principal at Nipigon-Red Rock District High School, be appointed to the position of Superintendent of Education on a temporary basis for a period of up to 35 months, commencing August 22, 2011 until June 30, 2014, pending approving from the Ministry of Education.

Carried

12.2 Formation of Trustee Budget Committee

(D. Tamblyn)

Director Tamblyn had Board Chair P. McRae review the events of the sub-committee meeting held on September 13, 2011. The sub-committee consisting of herself, Trustees Keenan, Simonaitis and Mannisto as well as Director Tamblyn and Superintendent of Business Cathy Tsubouchi recommendations thus far are:

- Trustees do require internet connections in their homes for conduct of board business
- In light of current gas prices, the current per kilometer rate should be maintained, although it was noted that the ministry favours its lower rate schedule be applied
- The monthly cost of Blackberry service versus cell phone will be studied for cost effectiveness and practicality as relates to electronic/paperless access to board correspondence, e-mails, agenda etc.
- Implementation of a subsidy for trustees' Blackberry service will be reviewed
- With the trustee access to laptops, printing is discouraged, so ideally only need to print expense claims, hard copies of which can be brought to board meetings events by administration
- Fax lines should be cancelled and board fax machines in possession of trustees should be returned to office as scanning has largely replaced need to fax, which if necessary on occasion can be done from schools site in trustee area
- Policy 208 Trustee Attendance at Conferences requires change to include reference to attendance of Ontario Student Trustee Association events by Student Trustees and the addition of requirement by those attending events to provide a verbal or written report to whole board upon return.

12.3 Superior-Greenstone DSB 16-Month Calendar

Director Tamblyn had copies on hand for distribution.

12.4 Correspondence:

12.4.1 Student Thank You Notes (4)

Director Tamblyn read notes of thanks as received from four students in receipt of 2010-2011 board graduation bursaries.

12.4.2 Diane Dupont: Old BAPS Facility

The letter as attached will be retained as an attachment to the minutes.

12.4.3 Michael Gravelle, MPP: Old BAPS Facility

The letter as attached will be retained as an attachment to the minutes.

12.4.4 Grand Erie DSB

Board Chair P. McRae reviewed the letter as copied to her, wherein GEDSB indicated that if the Ontario Public School Boards' Association membership dues increased, it might not renew its dues.

12.4.5 Katherine Fife (OPSBA)

Board Chair P. McRae reviewed the letter as copied to her, wherein OPSBA sent response to GEDSB indicating that it is OPSBA intention to introduce a new formula for the 2012-20113 school year that is fair, equitable and coordinated with the ministry funding model.

13.0 Reports of the Education Committee

(Education Chair: Angel Santerre)

Superintendent of Education: Nancy Petrick

- 13.1 Report No. 77: 2010-2011 Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement Final Report
Nicole Morden-Cormier, School Effectiveness Lead and Barbara Willcocks, Student Success Lead provided a comprehensive review of Report 77. Trustee C. Brown, expressing concern over an 8% decrease in EQAO results evidenced in the last few years, requested information about the strategy that would be applied to address the lower result especially in the area of special education and math.
- 13.2 Report No. 78: Highlights: April 2011 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test
Barbara Willcocks, Student Success Lead provided an overview of Report 78.
- 13.3 Report No. 79: First Nation Natural Resource Youth Summer Program - Update
Superintendent of Education Nancy Petrick provided an overview of Report 79.

14.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: Pinky McRae

- 14.1 Report No. 80: Personnel – September 16, 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 Update: All Candidates Night re Education Day – September 20, 2011
Vice Chair Mark Mannisto will attend this event as SGDSB co-host with Lakehead District School Board.
- 15.2 Trustees' Reports: Constituent Concerns
Nil
- 15.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items
Trustee C. Brown requested a report on Alternative Education and Independent Learning Course offerings in each high school

16.0 Notice of Motion

Nil

17.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

- 17.1 OPSBA
 - 17.1 Reminder for Northern Regional Meeting (Valhalla Inn, Thunder Bay-Oct 28-29, 2011
Trustee C. Fisher noted she is unable to attend OPSBA Director Meeting on September 23/24th.

18.0 Observer Comments

David Passi (Manitouwadge observer) made several inquiries with regard to report outlining the commencement of an group Accommodation Review in the Manitouwadge area to which Director Tamblyn will respond

19.0 Adjournment

212/11

Moved by: Trustee C. Brown

Second: Trustee Simonaitis

✓ **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2011/09 Regular Board Meeting, Friday, September 16, 2011 adjourn at adjourn at 5:32 p.m.

Carried

2011 Board Meeting Schedule

2011 Dates	Time	Location		2011 Dates	Time	Location
Monday, November 21	6:30 p.m.	SGBO		Monday, December 5	6:30 p.m.	SGBO