

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

Committee of the Whole Board and Regular Board Meeting # 4 / 2002

r Electronic Meeting 4 Face –to-Face

Location: Superior-Greenstone DSB Board Meeting Room-Marathon, Ontario

Friday, March 22, 2002 – 11:00 a.m.

Chair: Bette Bartlett

Director: H. Wilson-Boast

PART I

Committee of the Whole Board: 11:00 a.m.

Section (A): In-Camera (closed to public)

Section (B): In-Committee (open to public)

MEMBERS PRESENT

Trustees

Bette Bartlett, Chair (OS)

Larry Fraser (OS)

Guy Champagne (OS)

Kathryn Notwell (OS)

Les Aylward (OS)

Darlene Keenan (OS)

Wendy Krystia (OS)

Randy Krystia (OS)

Lindsay Harris (OS) (*joined at 11:34 a.m.*)

Board Administration

H. Wilson-Boast, Director of Education

B. Rousseau, Superintendent of Business

P. Bailey-Pella, Superintendent of Education

C. Tsubouchi, Manager of Accounting Services

W. Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services

B. Draper, Coordinator of Human Resource Services

B. Ross, Coordinator of Information Technology

OS: On-Site TC: Teleconference VC: Video Conference

1.0 Roll Call

Chair, Bette Bartlett conducted roll call at 11:00 a.m. Members present as noted above.

2.0 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: re Closed Session

No disclosures of conflict were reported concerning the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

3.0 Committee of the Whole Board: (*In-Camera Session only- closed to the public*)

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board

65/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 11:02 a.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

66/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee R. Krystia

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 11:34 a.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

4.0 Committee of the Whole Board: (This portion open to the public)

4.1 No Discussion

PART II

Regular Board Meeting: 11:30 a.m.

1.0 Meeting Call to Order and Approval of In-Camera Report

Chair, B. Bartlett called the regular portion of the Board Meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

67/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the in-camera report.

Carried

2.0 Approval of Agenda

68/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB Meeting # 4/2002 be accepted and approved as amended to waive Board Bylaw Section 10.0: Delegations-Part 10.10: Decision; and also amend to include the following additions to the agenda:

- Student Trustee request under New Business, as Item 12.0
- Presenters Jason Nesbitt and Pat Richardson under Presentations and Delegations, as Item 6.5 and 6.6

Carried

Board Chair, B. Bartlett advised that Board Bylaw Section 10.0 would be waived to provide an opportunity for the public to bring issues forward in relation to the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review, without precluding the Board's ability to consider recommendations for a decision pertinent to the review.

3.0 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: re Open Session

No disclosures of conflict were reported concerning the Regular Board Meeting

4.0 Minutes

4.1 Standing Committees No Report

4.2 Board Meetings

- 4.2.1 # 3/2002-Regular Board – February 25, 2002
1/2002-Special Board Meeting – March 5, 2002

69/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the minutes from the following Board Meetings be and are hereby declared adopted:

- # 3/2002 Regular Board Meeting - February 25, 2002
- # 1/2002 Special Board Meeting – March 5, 2002

Carried

4.3 Statutory Committees

- 4.3.1 SEAC Meetings: January 15, 2002

70/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee W. Krystia

4 That, the minutes from the following SEAC Meeting be acknowledged as received SEAC Meeting: January 15, 2002

Carried

4.4 Ad Hoc Committees No Report

5.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

5.1 Report No. 15 -01/02: Manitouwadge High School Council Request

71/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No 15-01/02: Manitouwadge High School Council Request as presented.

Carried

72/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB declines the request to loan Board funds to the Manitouwadge High School Council.

Carried

6.0 Delegations, Presentation, etc

6.1 Presentation

Marshall Tannahill: Township of Schreiber, Economic Development Coordinator

On behalf of the Township of Schreiber, Economic Development office, Mr. Tannahill's addressed the Board with respect to the Lake Superior High School (LSHS) Dual Campus Review. His address articulated support for maintaining the LSHS Dual Campus and relocating the Superior-Greenstone DSB to the LSHS Schreiber Campus.

- 6.2 Presentation
John Vandergraaf: President, Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation District 6B
On behalf of OSSTF District 6B, Mr. Vandergraaf addressed the Board with respect to the LSHS Dual Campus Review. His address articulated support for maintaining the LSHS Dual Campus.
- 6.3 Presentation
Linda Duff: Accounting Clerk, Superior-Greenstone DSB
On her own behalf, as both a citizen and Board employee, Ms. Duff addressed the Board with respect to the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review. Her address articulated support for locating LSHS to Terrace Bay and maintaining the Superior-Greenstone DSB Head Office in Marathon.
- 6.4 Presentation
G.H.R. (Bob) Krause, Mayor of the Township of Schreiber
On behalf of the Township of Schreiber, Mayor Krause addressed the Board with respect to the LSHS Dual Campus Review. His address articulated support to keep the LSHS Dual Campus open for at least one more year to ensure that all potential opportunities for partnerships that may assist in retaining the building as a viable facility could be explored.
- 6.5 Presentation
Jason Nesbitt: President-Aguasabon Chamber of Commerce
On behalf of the Aguasabon Chamber of Commerce Mr. Nesbitt addressed the Board with respect to the LSHS dual Campus Review. His address articulated support for maintaining the LSHS Dual Campus and relocating the Superior-Greenstone DSB to the LSHS Schreiber Campus.
- 6.6 Presentation
Pat Richardson: Mayor of the Town of Marathon
On behalf of the Town of Marathon, Mayor Richardson addressed the Board with respect to the LSHS dual Campus Review. Her address articulated support for locating LSHS to Terrace Bay and maintaining the Superior-Greenstone DSB Head Office in Marathon.

7.0 Reports of the Director of Education

H. Wilson-Boast

7.1 Reports Regarding the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review

73/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior Greenstone DSB receives the final reports, that is Report No.16 – 01/02: Administrative Summary Report and the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review Committee Report respectively.

Carried

Chair, B. Bartlett advised that the Administrative Summary Report and the LSHS Dual Campus Review Committee Report would be presented consecutively with questions taken for clarification after each.

7.1.1 Report No. 16 – 01/02: Administrative Summary Report for the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review

Director Heather Wilson-Boast reviewed the Administrative Summary Report with supporting details and/or scenarios in conjunction with the information contained in the report. A section of the report dealing with program flexibility and access to more credit options available in a single campus environment was illustrated in a PowerPoint presentation. In addition two points made in the previous Administrative (Special Board) Report were clarified. That is, science courses are not currently duplicated at both campuses, but rather the science lab space presents as duplication. In regard to the facility cost savings to be realized in a single campus environment, it was noted that the figure of approximately \$160,000 as noted is approximately \$140,000 when reduced to its net terms. Also noted was that to deem the LSHS Schreiber Campus surplus was not synonymous with disposal of the property/facility. A surplus declaration does not automatically initiate the act of disposal or sale of the property. It permits a Board to exclude the unused capacity numbers from its budget estimates. The recommendation from administration was to locate LSHS to Terrace Bay and to deem the Schreiber Campus of the LSHS surplus to its needs, effective August 31, 2002.

7.1.2 Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review Committee Response and Final Recommendations

Mike King, Cathy Carlino and Don McArthur of the Dual Campus Review Committee each presented a summary and response to the Administration's recommendation to locate LSHS in Terrace Bay and declare the Schreiber Campus surplus. Both Mr. King and Mr. McArthur reiterated that the Dual Campus Review Committees' recommendation to retain the Schreiber Campus facility to house the Grade 9 students. As well, the facility could be used to house the staff and offices of the Superior-Greenstone DSB. It is their contention that it is the best alternative solution for the reality of declining enrolment. If this solution was not amenable to the Board, then each challenged the Board to collect more data to facilitate a more thorough study prior to reaching a decision regarding the review.

Ms. Carlino advised that she had personally conducted a comprehensive review of the LSHS Student Surveys distributed early on as a component of the Dual Campus Committee's Review because the survey and how it was evaluated had always been a concern for her. It was noted that 167 of 247 surveys were returned and that the survey was not developed as a scientific instrument of discovery. Rather, it attempted to solicit a sense of what the students were feeling about their current environment and their feedback about various school scenarios and the impact on them. Students did not articulate majority support for a single LSHS campus. Rather, 99 of 167 respondents indicated a need for change, for an opinion rate of 36%. In addition, Ms. Carlino presented correspondence from the Student Representatives on the Committee on their behalf. This correspondence outlined the perceived difficulty seen as a result of a change to a single-campus environment and articulated support for keeping both campuses open.

7.2 Motions Regarding the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review

A recorded vote on the following motion was requested by Trustee R. Krystia and supported by Trustee Aylward.

74/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

4 That, the Lake Superior High School be located in Terrace Bay.

Recorded Vote:

Yeas

L. Aylward

G. Champagne

D. Keenan

K. Notwell

B. Bartlett

Nays

L. Fraser

R. Krystia

W. Krystia

Carried

75/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That Administration report to the Board on the cost of appropriate renovations to Lake Superior High School (Terrace Bay Campus) by April 2002.

Carried

76/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

4 That, the Superior Greenstone DSB deems the Schreiber Campus of the Lake Superior High School to be surplus to its needs and as such shall be taken out of service no later than August 31, 2002.

Carried

7.3 Report No. 17 - 01/02: 2002-2003 School Year Calendar (Draft)

77/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No 17-01/02: 2002-2003 School Year Calendar as presented for information.

Carried

Consultation with stakeholders continues with a final school year calendar to be submitted to the Ministry of Education in May.

7.4 SEAC: Request for Board Response

The Ontario Association of Parents for Children's Mental Health has in correspondence to SEAC requested Board support to lobby the Ministry of Community and Social Services to consider additional funding to meet the children's mental health services in Ontario.

78/02

Moved By: Trustee Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That the Chair of the Superior-Greenstone DSB be authorized to write a letter to the Minister of Community and Social Services, John Baird concerning the funding of mental health services for children and youth

Carried

8.0 Permission to Recess

- 8.1 Board Chair, B. Bartlett permitted a short recess at 3:15 p.m. Upon reconvening the meeting at 3:45 p.m. it was noted that Trustees, Aylward and W. Krystia had excused themselves from the meeting. A quorum remained, permitting Board business to continue.

9.0 Reports of the Education Committee

Education Chair: Kathryn Notwell

Superintendent of Education: Patti Bailey-Pella

- 9.1 Highlight on Early Literacy Programs for Superior-Greenstone DSB (Display & Video Clips)
Nancy Bailey, Teacher and Early Literacy Specialist at Dorion Public School provided a demonstration of the various programs and instructional strategies that have been implemented in relation to early literacy in the Board. These initiatives have shown positive outcomes in all our schools. A videotape of the children in the classes at Dorion Public School highlighted the classroom work, unique events and the challenges being met by the children. One such challenge at Dorion Public School has seen the children report a total of 235,640 book-pages read this school year. It was reported that parents and teachers alike are embracing the initiatives, with each school tailoring its program to the unique needs of its students.
- 9.2 Update: EQAO Assessments for 2002-2003 School Year
EQAO has set its assessment dates for the 2002-2003 School Year as follows:
- Gr.10 Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test: October 23-24, 2002
 - Gr.3 / Gr.6 Reading, Writing and Math: May 5-22, 2003
 - Gr.9 Math Assessment (Semester I): January 8-21, 2003
 - Gr.9 Math Assessment (Semester II): May 26-June 13, 2003

10.0 Reports of the Business Committee

Business Chair: Larry Fraser

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

- 10.1 Board Policy Review: Revised Date Chart

79/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the Board Policy Review: Revised Date Chart as presented for information.

Carried

- 10.2 Report No. 13 – 01/02 Transportation Contracts

80/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 13 – 01/02: Transportation Contracts 2001-2002 as presented.

Carried

81/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the bus contracts for the 2001-2002 school year be renewed as follows by the Superior-Greenstone DSB (plus applicable GST).

- Copp Bus Lines \$311,878.00
- Ball Bus Service \$240,817.00
- Boress Bus Lines \$ 70,925.00
- Greenstone Transfer \$309,146.00
- Beaulieu Bus Lines \$190,260.00

- *A & M Hardy Bus Lines* \$ 12,000.00

Carried

The bus line contracts approved for renewal for the 2001-2002 School Year, have with the implementation of the new policy related to transportation realized approximately \$60,000 saving. One contract remains outstanding with settlement anticipated by April.

10.3 Other

10.3.1 Pending Pupil Accommodation Report

Trustee, R. Krystia noting the motion to declare LSHS (Schreiber Campus) surplus, requested the exploration of LSHS as a facility to house the Schreiber Public School students so as to maintain the building with its potential for use as a community-use facility. The opportunity to address this issue is inherent in the Pupil Accommodation Policy 905 Annual Review, which is done annually for the Board each May, however administration will present preliminary information on the topic in April.

11.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: B. Bartlett

11.1 Disbursements: January 2002

82/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the following expenditures for Superior-Greenstone DSB be approved:

Disbursement for the month of January 2002 in the total amount of: \$ 3,204,114.59

Carried

11.2 Report No. 18- 01/ 02: Final Personnel Report

83/02

Moved By: Trustee Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 18- 01/02 Final Personnel

Report dated, March 22, 2002 as presented..

Carried

84/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (In-

Camera Session) at 3:55 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

85/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole

Board (In-Camera Session) at 4:06 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

86/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee R. Krystia

4 That, Valerie Newton be appointed to the position of Principal at Manitouwadge High School effective August 26, 2002.

Carried

87/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

4 That, Andrew Graham be appointed to the position of Vice-Principal at Manitouwadge High School effective August 26, 2002 and, **That**, the continuance of Andrew Graham in the Vice-Principal's position beyond the 2002-2003 school year be conditional upon his working towards attainment of Principal qualifications.

Carried

88/02

Moved By: Trustee Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendations in Report No.: 18 - 01/02 Final Personnel Report dated, March 22, 2002 as presented.

Carried

12.0 Deferred Matters

There were no deferred matters.

13.0 New Business

13.1 Chair

Board Chair, B. Bartlett briefly addressed the issue of declining enrolment in small communities and the negative impact it has had of late with the phasing out the French Immersion Program at Margaret Twomey and today's decision to house Lake Superior High School in a single campus. She advised the Board had to move forward remaining diligent in its effort to offer students as much program as possible given the budget limitations.

13.2 Good News: Correspondence

13.2.1 Manitouwadge High School: Reach for the Top

Congratulations to its students' for achievement in the Reach for the Top Competitions. The team competes with the Michipicoten HS in its bid to move on to the provincial tournament to be held later this spring.

13.2.2 Manitouwadge High School: Jamie Turnbull

Student, Jamie Turnbull is attending Encounters Canada at the Terry Fox Centre in Ottawa, March 18-22

13.2.3 Manitouwadge High School: Sports

Congratulations for the school's sports excellence as it has sent representatives for competition in OFSAA Senior Boys Basketball. Students are also championship winners in the NSSSAA Senior Boys Basketball; NWOSSA Senior Boys Basketball and NSSSAA Junior and Senior Girls Volleyball.

13.2.4 Lake Superior High School

Exciting news for Lake Superior High School as they will be hosting the NWOSSA Curling Championship tourney set to take place in Terrace Bay from March 24-26.

13.2.5 Nipigon-Red Rock DHS: Lorelei Harris

Student, Lorelei Harris has been named a winner in the 2002 Marion Drysdale Award. She received a first place prize in the senior poetry division for her poem, "If IT was alive". The contest was open to all Ontario public high school students

- 13.3 Update: Student Trustee (L. Harris)
The Ontario Student Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting is in Ottawa this year. Student Trustee, L. Harris has requested permission to attend.

89/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the registration and travel arrangements for student Trustee, Lindsay Harris to attend the Ontario Student Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting to be held May 31 to June 2, 2002 in Ottawa, Ontario.

Carried

14.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

14.1 OPSBA

14.1.1 2002 Annual General Meeting: Sault Ste. Marie, ON (June 13-16/02)

90/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Notwell

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the registration and travel arrangements for Trustee, Darlene Keenan to attend both the OPSBA Annual General Meeting in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario in June 2002 and the Canadian School Boards' Association Conference in July 2002.

Carried

Trustee Keenan has been asked to be a voting delegate at the (CSBA) federal level.

14.1.2 Investing in Our Children's Future: Funding Gap Template

Information in regard to Superior-Greenstone DSB as appears in the template require verification.

15.0 Observer Comments

There were no observer comments.

16.0 Adjournment

91/02

Moved By: Trustee R. Krystia

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Meeting #4/2002 adjourn at 4:40 p.m.

Carried

Future 2002 BOARD MEETINGS

Electronic Meetings

Monday, April 29th
Monday, May 27th
Monday, July 29th
Monday, August 26th
Monday October 28th
Monday, November 18th

***Face-to-Face Meetings**

Friday, June 21st
Friday, September 20th
Friday, December 6th

** Venue for all Face-to-Face Meetings is the Board Meeting Room in Marathon, Ontario*

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Committee of the Whole Board # 4/2002

Friday, March 22, 2002– 11:00 a.m.

Face-to-Face

T O P I C S

Chair: Bette Bartlett

Director: H. Wilson-Boast

Part I-Section (A): *In-Camera* *(This portion closed to the public)*

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| 1.0 | Personnel | H. Wilson-Boast |
| 1.1 | Manitouwadge HS: Principal /Vice Principal Appointment | |
| 2.0 | Bus Line Contracts | W. Chiupka |
| 2.0 | Contract Settlements | |
| 3.0 | Litigation: Human Rights Complaint: Ongoing | |
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Part I-Section (B): *Committee of the Whole* *(This portion open to the public)*

- 1.0 No Discussion

Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

Friday, March 22, 2002

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2002

SECRETARY

CHAIR