

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes

Committee of the Whole Board and Regular Board Meeting # 8 / 2002

r Electronic Meeting 4 Face –to-Face

Superior-Greenstone DSB Board Meeting Room-Marathon / Teleconference

Monday, August 26, 2002 - 11:00 a.m.

Chair: Bette Bartlett

Director: H. Wilson-Boast

MEMBERS PRESENT

Trustees

Bette Bartlett (OS)
Guy Champagne (OS)
Larry Fraser (OS)
Darlene Keenan (OS)
Les Aylward (OS)
Wendy Krystia (OS-joined at 11:53 a.m.)
Laura Rydberg (OS-joined at 11:42 a.m.)

Regrets:

Kathryn Notwell

Absent:

Randy Krystia

Board Administration

H. Wilson-Boast, Director of Education
B. Rousseau, Superintendent of Business
P. Bailey-Pella, Superintendent of Education
B. Draper, Coordinator of Human Resource Services
C. Tsubouchi, Manager of Accounting Services
B. Draper, Coordinator of Human Resource Services
W. Chiupka, Manager of Plant Services

OS: On-Site

TC: Teleconference

VC: Video Conference

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PART I

Committee of the Whole Board: 11:01 a.m.

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

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

1.0 Roll Call

Board Chair Bette Bartlett conducted roll call at 11:01a.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

197/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 11:03 a.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.

Carried

198/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

4 **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Session) at 11:38 a.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

199/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 **That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board (Open-Session) at 11:42 a.m.

Carried

PART II

Regular Board Meeting: 12:05 p.m.

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

Board Chair, B. Bartlett called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

200/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

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

Carried

2.0 Student Trustee: 2002-2003 School Year

2.1 Swearing-in Student Representative: Laura Rydberg (Marathon High School)

Director, Heather Wilson-Boast welcomed Student Trustee, Laura Rydberg to the meeting as the Student Trustee for the 2002-2003 school year. Ms. Rydberg took her oath and declaration of office.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

201/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 **That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB Meeting #8/2002 be accepted and approved.

Carried

4.0 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: re Open Session

No disclosures of conflict of interest concerning the Regular Board Meeting were reported.

5.0 Minutes

5.1 Standing Committees
No Report

5.2 Board Meetings

5.2.1 Board Meetings:

7/2002: Regular Board Meeting – June 21, 2002

202/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

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

- # 7/2002 Regular Board Meeting – June 21, 2002

Carried

5.3 Statutory Committees
No Report

5.4 Ad Hoc Committees
No Report

6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising out of the minutes.

7.0 Delegations, Presentation, etc

There were no delegations or presenters scheduled at this meeting.

8.0 Reports of the Director of Education

H. Wilson-Boast

8.1 Report No. 46 – 01/02: Pupil Accommodation - Viability Study

203/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 46 – 01/02: Pupil Accommodation – Viability Study as presented.

Carried

8.1.1 Pupil Accommodation: Viability Study-August 2001

Before addressing the report at hand, Director H. Wilson-Boast referred to the Lake Superior High School as related to the Pupil Accommodation Viability Study submitted to the Board in August 2001. This report brought forward the recommendation from the Board to have administration launch the Lake Superior High School Dual Campus Review using the process outlined in the Pupil Accommodation Policy No. 905. The Township of Schreiber disputed the ensuing study and the decision taken by the Board on March 22, 2002 to locate

Lake Superior High School in Terrace Bay. On August 20, 2002, Justice L.C. Kozak heard the case in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Divisional Court). His decision in the judicial review, handed down on Friday, August 23, 2002 finds that the Board did not breach its duty of procedural fairness in arriving at its decision to close the Schreiber Campus and dismissed the application.

8.1.2 Pupil Accommodation: Viability Study-August 2002

Senior Administration in accordance with the Pupil Accommodation Policy 905 conducted the Pupil Accommodation Viability study over the summer. The viability study notes that our Board has several emerging issues in regard to excess capacity in many of our schools. The excess exists in virtually all schools, however distance between communities, long transportation times to new school locations and the importance of maintaining a school in the community make school closures prohibitive

204/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendation that, no schools be place “under review” for the 2002-2003 school year.

Carried

In an attempt to focus on maintaining a facility in each community, the report noted that in several towns, it could mean the combining of elementary and secondary program in one building. It also noted that program implications in small elementary schools should be investigated, as well as a study of the “Kindergarten to Grade 12” concept during the next school year. Administration was directed to commence the process to organize a study committee to investigate the kindergarten to Grade 12 concept. Trustee L. Aylward suggested that an invitation be extended to the Superior North Catholic DSB and Conseil Scolaire du District du Grand Nord de l’Ontario to meet with the Board to discuss opportunities for sharing space in small communities.

205/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendation that, a committee be formed to study the concept of creating a Kindergarten to Grade 12 School to service future needs of the Board.

Carried

206/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the trustees of Superior-Greenstone DSB invite the trustees from the Superior North Catholic District School Board and Board # 57 (Conseil Scolaire du District du Grand Nord de l’Ontario) to meet to discuss opportunities for sharing space in small communities.

Carried

207/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Champagne

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendation that, a committee be established to investigate strategies for effective program delivery models for small secondary schools.

Carried

- 8.2 Education Equality Task Force Roundtable Discussions: Rural Board
Hearings for the Education Equality Task Force led by Dr. Mordechai Rozanski are set to take place in Thunder Bay on September 12, 2002. Small northern board issues are to be reviewed by a pre-meeting panel in Toronto this week. Trustees wishing to attend to can call the Board office to advise of attendance.

9.0 Reports of the Education Committee

Education Chair: Kathryn Notwell

Superintendent of Education: Patti Bailey-Pella

9.1 Literacy Training Days

The focus on literacy training continues for elementary teachers and our literacy specialists. Principals' roles in literacy training took place on in mid-August and a literacy-training day is slated for elementary teachers on September 6, 2002 and planning is underway to provide training and resource materials for secondary teachers.

9.2 Other

9.2.1 Professional Learning Program

Last year as a professional learning provider the Board offered 15 courses at no-charge to its teachers. Recertification for teachers requires that they take 14 courses over five years. The Board's partnerships with institutions such as OISE/UT have assisted us to provide for courses at reduced tuition fees. An informational pamphlet is being developed for circulation around the system.

10.0 Reports of the Business Committee

Business Chair: Larry Fraser

Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau

10.1 2002 Tax Levy Bylaw No. 90

208/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the Bylaw to Levy Taxes-2002: No. 90 as per attachment presented.

Carried

209/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee W. Krystia

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves Bylaw No. 90 being a bylaw to levy taxes for 2002 as per attachment presented.

Carried

10.2 Report No. 47 – 01/02: Boress Bus Line Contract

210/02

Moved By: Trustee Fraser

Seconded By: Trustee W. Krystia

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 47 - 01/02: Boress Bus Line Contract as presented.

Carried

Boress Bus Line tendered a bid to meet both the service and and costing requirements.

211/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee W. Krystia

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the contract with Boress Bus Lines in the amount of \$79,051 (GST extra), subject to fuel escalator clause adjustment, and route change by the Board.

Carried

11.0 Matters for Decision

Board Chair: B. Bartlett

11.1 Disbursements: May and June 2002

212/02

Moved By: Trustee Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

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

Disbursement for the month of May 2002 in the total amount of: \$ 2,602,285.76.

Carried

213/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

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

Disbursement for the month of June 2002 in the total amount of: \$ 2,757,138.73.

Carried

11.2 Report No. 48 - 01/02: Personnel Report

214/02

Moved By: Trustee Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee Aylward

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 48- 01/02 Personnel Report dated, August 26, 2002 as amended.

Carried

215/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee Fraser

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendations in Report No.: 48 - 01/02 Personnel Report dated, August 26, 2002 as amended.

Carried

12.0 Deferred Matters

13.0 New Business

13.1 Chair

13.2 Correspondence

13.3 Update: Student Trustee

13.4 Other

14.0 Notices of Motion

15.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

15.1 OPSBA

Board Chair, B. Bartlett said that summary highlights would be made available for trustees after each OPSBA's Executive Council Meetings. For information, she noted that Gerri Gershon, President of OPSBA expects to be in Northwestern Ontario to coincide with the Education Equality Hearing in Thunder Bay. There is a possibility that she may try to be in our area September 12 13, 2002.

16.0 Information and Miscellaneous

A Special (teleconference) Board Meeting has been scheduled on Thursday, August 29, 2002 at 12:00 p.m. Personnel resolutions to confirm appointments for staff for school start up on September 3, 2002 are to be reviewed.

17.0 Observer Comments

No comments were submitted.

18.0 Adjournment

216/02

Moved By: Trustee Aylward Seconded By: Trustee Keenan

4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Meeting #8/2002 adjourn at 1:03 p.m.

Carried

2002 BOARD MEETINGS

***Face-to-Face Meetings**

Friday, September 20th

Friday, December 6th

Electronic Meetings

Monday October 28th

Monday, November 18th

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

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T O P I C S

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Director: H. Wilson-Boast

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

1.0 Personnel

H. Wilson-Boast

- 1.1 Superior-Greenstone DSB: Transportation Officer
- 1.1 VP Appointment at Marjorie Mills PS

2.0 Legal Matters

H. Wilson-Boast

- 2.1 Litigation: LSHS Court Costs
- 2.2 Litigation: Abuse Claim

Part I-Section (B): Committee of the Whole *(This portion open to the public)*

1.0 Procedures Review

1.1 Superior-Greenstone DSB Bylaws

Director H. Wilson-Boast reviewed the following bylaws as in-service advice session for trustees:

Section 1.0	Force of Bylaws
Section 4.0	Regular Meetings
Section 10.0	Delegations

Trustee L. Aylward requested that the bylaw and or policy governing participation and voting authority of trustees at a face-to-face meeting who attends by electronic connection should be reviewed. This item will be included as a notice of motion for Board review on September 20, 2002.

1.2 Parliamentary Rules of Order and Meeting Conduct

A brief reference was made to parliamentary procedures and its application to the Board Meeting conduct. The Elementary Teacher Federation of Ontario Parliamentary Rules of Order reference wheel was distributed to trustees for their information.

2.0 Fall Retreat: Dates

Previous trustee engagements for September and October pre-empt this issue until at least November.

Committee of the Whole and Regular Board Meeting

Monday, August 26, 2002

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2002

SECRETARY

CHAIR