

**SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**Minutes**

**Committee of the Whole Board and Regular Board Meeting # 9 / 2003**

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Superior-Greenstone DSB Board Meeting Room-Marathon

Friday, September 19, 2003 - 11:00 a.m.

Chair: Bette Bartlett

Director: H. Wilson-Boast

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Trustees**

Bette Bartlett (OS)  
Guy Champagne (OS)  
Kathryn Notwell (OS)  
Darlene Keenan (OS)  
Les Aylward (OS)

Absent: Larry Fraser  
Wendy Krystia  
Randy Krystia

Dean Ray (OS-joined at 11:15 a.m.)

**Board Administration**

H. Wilson-Boast, Director of Education  
B. Rousseau, Superintendent of Business  
P. Bailey-Pella, Superintendent of Education  
J. Robart, Assistant to Superintendent of Education  
C. Tsubouchi, Manager of Accounting Services  
B. Draper, Coordinator of Human Resource Services  
B. Ross, Coordinator of Information Technology  
RM. Joannette, Transportation Officer

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 Session 1 - (closed to public): 11:02 a.m.  
Section (B): In-Committee (open to public): 11:04 a.m.

PART II

Regular Board Meeting (open to the public): 11:30 a.m.

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**1.0 Roll Call**

Board Chair Bette Bartlett conducted roll call at 11:01 a.m. Members present as noted above.

**2.0 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: re Closed Session**

There were no disclosures of conflict of interest regarding the closed session.

**3.0 Committee of the Whole Board**

3.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board

**222/03**

*Moved By: Trustee G. Champagne*

*Seconded By: Trustee L. Aylward*

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

Carried

**223/03**

*Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward*

*Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan*

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board (In-camera session) at 11:04 a.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

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**1.0 Committee of the Whole Board (Open)**

1.1 2003-2004 Draft Accessibility Plan

The Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001 requires that schools boards prepare an annual accessibility plan. This first annual (2003-2004) draft plan contains information on the measures we have taken in the past and those currently in place to identify, remove and prevent barriers to the full participation of the disabled in our schools.

**224/03**

*Moved By: Trustee K. Notwell*

*Seconded By: Trustee L. Aylward*

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the Draft 2003-2004 Annual Accessibility Plan as presented for information.

Carried

1.2 2002-2003 Director's Annual Report

The Director's Annual Report for the school year September 2002 to August 2003 will be posted to the board website at [www.sgdsb.on.ca](http://www.sgdsb.on.ca). Director, Heather Wilson-Boast extended thanks to all board employees for a most successful and productive school year.

**225/03**

*Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward*

*Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne*

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the 2002-2003 Director's Annual Report as presented.

Carried

**226/03**

*Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward*

*Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne*

**4 That, 4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board (Open Session) at 11:12 a.m. and that this portion be open to the public.

Carried

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

Board Chair, B. Bartlett called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

**227/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the Committee of the Whole (In-Camera) Report.

Carried

**2.0 Approval of Agenda**

**228/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee K. Notwell

**4 That**, the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting #9/2003 be accepted and approved as amended to add Item 8.3.3 and 8.3.4 as Good News.

Carried

**3.0 Disclosure of Conflict of Interest: re Open Session**

There were no disclosures of conflict of interest regarding the open session.

**4.0 Student Trustee: 2003-2004 School Year**

Dean Ray, of Marathon High School took his oath of office and was officially welcomed as the Student Trustee to serve the student constituents for the 2003-2004 School Year.

**5.0 Minutes**

**5.1 Standing Committees**

No Report

**5.2 Board Meetings**

5.2.1 Board Meeting: # 8/2003: Regular Board – August 25, 2003

**229/03**

Moved By: Trustee D. Keenan

Seconded By: Trustee L. Aylward

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

- #8/2003 Regular Board Meeting – August 25, 2003

Carried

**5.3 Statutory Committees**

No Report

**5.4 Ad Hoc Committees**

No Report

**6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes**

Nil

**7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations**

Nil

## **8.0 Reports of the Director of Education**

*(H. Wilson-Boast)*

### 8.1 Report No. 53: Elementary Enrolments

Preliminary enrolment statistics at the elementary panel illustrate a decrease of 27 students overall.

#### **230/03**

*Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward*

*Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne*

*4 That the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 53: Elementary Enrolments as presented for information.*

Carried

### 8.2 SEAC Appointment

#### **231/03**

*Moved By: Trustee D. Keenan*

*Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne*

*4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB appoint Kerri-Lynne Cornish of Marathon, Ontario to sit as a Member at large for SEAC and that this appointment be effective September 19, 2003.*

Carried

### 8.3 Good News

#### 8.3.1 Dorion / Hurkett Home & School Association

A letter of appreciation for the installation of new playground equipment at Dorion Public School was reviewed.

#### 8.3.2 Gold Award: 2003 Great Art for Great Lakes Challenge

Terrace Bay PS grade eight class (2002-2003) has won a Gold Award in the Environment Canada 2003 Great Art for Great Lakes Challenge. Congratulations to the class and Mr. Prager on this excellent achievement.

#### 8.3.3 George O'Neill Public School Literacy Award

The school has received \$6,000 from the TransCanada "Pipeline to Literacy" program in support of the Early Literacy Initiatives for kindergarten through grade eight.

#### 8.3.4 First Nations student Achievement Proposal

A proposal from the Northern Ontario Education Leaders to assist in tracking the successes of First Nations' student achievers has been approved by the Ministry of Education.

## **9.0 Reports of the Education Committee**

*(Education Chair: K. Notwell)*

*Superintendent of Education: P. Pella*

### 9.1 Report No. 54: Rural Education Strategy Fund

#### **232/03**

*Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward*

*Seconded By: Trustee K. Notwell*

*4 That the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 54: Rural Education Strategy Fund as presented.*

Carried

The Rural Education Strategy released on September 3, 2003, addresses the funding challenges faced by remote and rural schools. Boards are required to publish implementation plans that demonstrate the improved educational opportunities made available to students in remote and rural schools.

**233/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee K. Notwell

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB direct administration to implement the Rural Education Strategy Fund.

Carried

9.2 Technical Renewal Initiative Grant

John Robart, Assistant to the Superintendent of Education advised that a Technical Renewal Initiative grant for \$45,000 was received. The secondary panel broad-based technology classes will be enhance through the repair, purchase and updating of equipment in schools.

9.3 Report No. 55: Students at Risk Update

**234/03**

Moved By: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That** the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 55: Students at Risk Update as presented for information.

Carried

A comprehensive report by John Robart, Assistant to the Superintendent of Education, provided information on the programs and initiatives underway for students at-risk.

9.4 Report No. 56: Reaching for Higher Action Research Project

**235/03**

Moved By: Trustee G. Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee L. Aylward

**4 That** the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 56: Reaching for Higher Action Research Project as presented.

Carried

The Reaching Higher Project is a province-wide initiative designed to help struggling students in grades 6 to 9 improve their literacy skills. Data collected by the five teachers involved the project will be applied to the initiatives for both the students at-risk and all those focusing on student learning.

**236/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne

**4 That** the Superior-Greenstone DSB write letters of recognition to the teachers who participated in this project.

Carried

**10.0 Reports of the Business Committee**

*(Business Chair: R. Krystia)*

*Superintendent of Business: B. Rousseau*

10.1 Borrowing Bylaw No. 96

**237/03**

Moved By: Trustee G. Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee L. Aylward

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives the Bylaw to Borrow Funds: No. 96 as per attachment presented.

Carried

**238/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves Bylaw No. 96 being a bylaw to borrow funds as per the attached.

Carried

10.2 Report No. 57: 2003-2004 Transportation Update

**239/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne

**4 That** the Superior-Greenstone DSB receive Report No. 57: 2003-2004 Transportation Update as presented.

Carried

Transportation Manager, R.M. Joannette reported on the First Rider Bus Safety Program organized in late August for JK registrants. Congratulations to R.M. Joannette and Trottier Bus Lines for the success of this pilot program.

**240/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee G. Champagne

**4 That** the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve the recommendations as outlined in Report No. 57: 2003-2004 Transportation Update.

Carried

**11.0 Matters for Decision**

Board Chair: B. Bartlett

11.1 Disbursements: August 2003

**241/03**

Moved By: Trustee G. Champagne

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That**, the following expenditures for Superior-Greenstone DSB be approved: Disbursements for the month of August 2003 in the total amount of \$ 1,441,435.89.

Carried

11.2 Report No. 58: Personnel-September 19, 2003

**242/03**

Moved By: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 58: Personnel dated September 19, 2003 as presented.

Carried

**243/03**

Moved By: Trustee K. Notwell

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approves the recommendations in Report No. 58 Personnel dated, September 19, 2003 as presented.

Carried

**12.0 Deferred Matters**

There were no deferred matters.

**13.0 New Business**

13.1 Chair

B. Bartlett encouraged current board members to consider allowing a nomination to stand in their name for the upcoming municipal election.

- 13.2 Student Trustee  
New student trustee, Dean Ray advised that student council elections were set to get underway at all area high schools.
- 13.3 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items  
Trustee, L. Aylward requested that vehicle leases for trustee transportation be addressed at the next board meeting.

**14.0 Notices of Motion**

There were no notices of motion.

**15.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards**

- 15.1 OPSBA  
Trustee, D. Keenan is attending OPSBA Board of Director's Meeting on October 3-4, 2003. A report from her will follow at October Regular Board Meeting.

- 15.2 Other Boards  
Nil

**16.0 Information and Miscellaneous**

No Report

**17.0 Observer Comments**

There were no observer comments.

**18.0 Adjournment**

**244/03**

Moved By: Trustee L. Aylward

Seconded By: Trustee D. Keenan

**4 That, the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting #92003 adjourn at 12:46**

**p.m.**

Carried

**2003: Future Board Meetings**

Electronic (videoconference)

Committee of Whole (6:30 p.m.) / Regular Board (7:00 p.m.)

Monday, October 27, 2003

Monday, November 17, 2003

Face-to-Face(Convene at Board Office(Marathon, ON):

Committee of Whole (11:00 a.m.) / Regular Board (11:30 a.m.)

Friday, December 5, 2003

**SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**Committee of the Whole Board # 9/2003**

Friday, September 19, 2003 – 11:00 a.m.

Superior-Greenstone DSB Meeting Room, Marathon, Ontario Face-to-Face

**T O P I C S**

Board Chair: Bette Bartlett

Director: H. Wilson-Boast

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PART I: *Committee of the Whole Board Section (A)*

*In-Camera Session 1: (closed to public): 11:07 a.m.*

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1.0 Personnel

*(H. Wilson-Boast)*

2.0 Update: Litigation

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PART I *Committee of the Whole Board Section (B)*

*(Open to public): 11:16 a.m.*

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1.0 2003-2004 Draft Accessibility Plan  
See notes at Part I, Item 1.1

2.0 2002-2003 Director's Annual Report  
See notes at Part I, Item 1.2

**Committee of the Whole Board / Regular Board Meeting # 9/ 2003**

Friday, September 19, 2003

**MINUTES**

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2003

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR