

# OPEN SESSION OF THE BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020

## **AGENDA & REPORTS**

## **MEETING TO BE HELD AT**

## **BOARD OFFICE - MEETING ROOM #6**

## **STREAMED VIA YOUTUBE TO PUBLIC**

<u>7:15 P.M.</u>

#### AGENDA FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2020 @ 7:15 PM BOARD OFFICE - MEETING ROOM #6 STREAMED VIA YOUTUBE FOR PUBLIC

## A CALL TO ORDER

## 1. Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands – (Lucas)

The schools and buildings of the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board are located on the traditional lands of Indigenous peoples who have been its stewards for thousands of years. As people who now reside in the 1850 Robinson-Huron Treaty territory, the 1850 Robinson-Superior Treaty territory and Treaty 9 territory, we have an obligation to care for the land, the waters and the air, in order that seven generations from now, the land, the waters and the air will continue to sustain life and wholeness. We give thanks to our ancestors from the seven generations before us who took care of the land, water and air for us to enjoy the bounty of the territory of which the Creator has graciously provided without hesitation. May we journey today in a good way.

2. **Prayer** (Pg 5)

## 3. Call the Roll:

## Trustees:

Lindsay Liske (Chair), Sandra Turco (Vice-Chair), John Caputo, Leslie Cassidy-Amadio, Tony D'Agostino, Carol MacEachern, Debbie Mayer, Kathleen Rosilius, Joe Ruscio, Gary Trembinski

## **Regrets:**

## **Officials:**

Rose Burton Spohn (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Christine Durocher, Chris Spina, Danny Viotto

## Student Representatives:

Lucas Marano, Adam Morgenstern

## Other Reps:

Darrell Czop (President, O.E.C.T.A.) Marnie McDonald (Vice-President, O.E.C.T.A.) Chris Vuorensyrja (President, C.P.C.O.) Brenda Rankin (President, C.U.P.E.)

## **OUR MISSION**

## Persons present are invited to indicate how they have seen Our Mission lived out recently.

## **B** ADOPTION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Proposed Resolution:** That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, October 21, 2020.

Are there any additions/changes/deletions?

- C DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
- D NEW BUSINESS
- E CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
  - Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 16, 2020. (Pg 8)
     <u>Proposed Resolution:</u> That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 16, 2020.
  - Minutes of the Closed Board Meeting of September 16, 2020.
     Proposed Resolution: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Closed Board Meeting of September 16, 2020.

## F BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### G PRESENTATIONS

 HSCDSB Virtual Academies – Superintendent Joe Chilelli to introduce Kristen Coulter (Principal, Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary Virtual Academy), Andrea Greco (Vice-Principal, Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary Virtual Academy) and Domenic Rosso (Principal, St. Mary's College Virtual Academy).

### H COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting** (Pg 12) <u>**Proposed Resolution:**</u> That the Minutes of the S.E.A.C. meeting of the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board of June 17, 2020 be approved.

## I ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

### J INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Reports to the Director of Education
  - a) **Trustee Honoraria** Superintendent Chris Spina (Pg 16)
  - g) **SMC Activity Report** Student Trustees Lucas Marano and Adam Morgenstern (Pg 18)
- 2. **Correspondence**
- 3. Notes of Thanks Kathleen Rosilius

## K TEN MINUTE QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD

• ON AGENDA ITEMS FOR THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

## L UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 22 Retirement/Twenty-Five Year Service Celebration
- October 25 Day of Prayer for Peace
- November 1 End of Daylight Savings Time
- November 1 All Saints Day
- November 2 All Souls Day
- November 11 Remembrance Day
- November 15 World Day of the Poor
- November 18 Next Board Meeting
- M CLOSING PRAYER Trustee John Caputo
- N ADJOURNMENT

## October Board Meeting Prayer The Season of Autumn

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen+

## **Opening Prayer** - Lucas

+God of the season, you paint the world in a glorious array during the autumn. We wake up to a world filled with colour and plenty. The mighty trees show off their splendor. The harvests show us the ripened fruit of our labours. We praise you for this wonderful season. Help us to appreciate all the wonder of our world. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

## A reading from Paul's letter to the Christians at Ephesus

Now God has us where he wants us, with all the time in this world and the next to shower grace and kindness upon us in Christ Jesus. Saving is all his idea, and all his work. All we do is trust him enough to let him do it. It's God's gift from start to finish! We don't play the major role. If we did, we'd probably go around bragging that we'd done the whole thing! No, we neither make nor save ourselves. God does both the making and saving. He creates each of us by Christ Jesus to join him in the work he does, the good work he has gotten ready for us to do, work we had better be doing.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Litany: Autumn

Lindsay: To the north, to the east, to the south, to the west, Sandra: No matter where we look during the season of autumn, we see that God shows us the wonders of our world, the glory of creation, the splendours of life.

Debbie: Inward, outward and all around us,

John: At every turn and within our hearts, we feel God's great love for us. With every breath we take, and with every glance around us, we know that God is always with us.

## ALL: For God graces us children with the season of autumn.

Leslie: God blesses us with rainbows of rich colours.

Tony: Painted forests and feathered heather,

Carol: Fresh, crisp mornings, brisk and cool,

Joe: Rich shades of ochre, plum, maroon and deep red,

Kathleen: Bountiful harvest of fruit and of wheat.

Gary: From the north, from the east, from the south, from the west,

Rose: No matter where we look, and at every turn,

ALL: For God graces us children with the season of autumn.

## Closing Prayer - Adam

God of the seasons, we praise you in thanksgiving for the season of autumn. Your paintbrush fills the world with glorious colour. By the grace of your will, we are blessed With bountiful harvest. May we, your children, celebrate the earth's beauty and be ever thankful for the plentiful riches you bestow on us. + Amen.

## In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen+

Adapted from Words for the journey – Ten-Minute Prayer Services for Teachers and Administrators by Lisa Freemantle & Les Miller, page 27

#### MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 @ 7:15 PM BOARD OFFICE - MEETING ROOM #6 STREAMED VIA YOUTUBE FOR PUBLIC

#### PRESENT: Trustees:

Lindsay Liske (Chair), Sandra Turco (Vice-Chair) (via skype), John Caputo, Leslie Cassidy-Amadio, Tony D'Agostino, Carol MacEachern (via skype), Kathleen Rosilius, Joe Ruscio, Gary Trembinski

#### Student Representatives:

Lucas Marano, Adam Morgenstern

#### **Officials:**

Rose Burton Spohn (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli (via skype), Christine Durocher (via skype), Chris Spina, Danny Viotto (via skype)

#### **REGRETS:** Debbie Mayer

#### Vision and Values

Director Rose Burton Spohn took this opportunity to thank all of the senior team, as well as administrators and all staff who worked so hard to have the 2020 September start up be as smooth as possible. Staff worked tirelessly throughout the summer to adjust to the changing times and were commended for their extraordinary efforts and dedication.

Trustee Leslie Cassidy-Amadio expressed the trustees' appreciation for Director Rose Burton Spohn's leadership and direction during these trying and changing times. Trustee Kathleen Rosilius echoed these sentiments.

*Trustee Kathleen Rosilius mentioned the Life Chain taking place in Sault Ste. Marie and Elliot Lake on October 4, 2020 and encouraged others to attend.* 

#### Adg# Res#

 B-1 B-496 Moved by: Gary Trembinski Seconded by: John Caputo That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, September 16, 2020.
 CARRIED

#### Change to agenda:

Information Item J.1.c, Catholic Elementary Schools in Elliot Lake, moved up to Administrative Items Requiring Action I.3, as a resolution is required. Item put in wrong section in error.

- E-1 B-497 Moved by: Kathleen Rosilius Seconded by: Leslie Cassidy-Amadio That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 17, 2020. CARRIED
- E-2 B-498 Moved by: Tony D'Agostino Seconded by: Carol MacEachern That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Closed Board Meeting of August 17, 2020. CARRIED

## G-1 Introduction of New Administrators

Director Rose Burton Spohn introduced each of the new administrators to the board, who spoke briefly about their careers, faith activity and goals for the 2020-21 school year.

Lina DiPasquale (Vice-Principal of St. Mary's French Immersion) Christy Fosberg (Vice-Principal of Our Lady of Fatima, Elliot Lake) Tammy Lemieux (Vice-Principal of St. Mary's, Blind River) Ashley Tombari (Acting Vice-Principal of St. Francis French Immersion) Stacey Wagler (Vice-Principal of St. Mary, Massey)

## G-2 Introduction of New Student Trustee

New student trustee Adam Morgenstern introduced himself to the trustees by highlighting his school roots, athletic endeavours, and plans for the future. He expressed his pleasure at being provided the opportunity to serve as a student trustee, and looked forward eagerly to the upcoming year.

## G-3 Summer Learning Program 2020

Nadia Zanatta, Administrator of the Summer Learning Program, outlined the board's first virtual summer program, which had 140 JK – Grade 8 students participating in synchronous learning focused on literacy and numeracy. Students also had the opportunity to participate in live programing delivered by Science North and engage in events such as using pizza kits and DIY donut decorating.

## I-1 B-499 Moved by: Kathleen Rosilius Seconded by: Leslie Cassidy-Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board authorizes the Treasurer and Chair or Vice-chair to borrow funds from time to time not to exceed \$25 million in aggregate from the Royal Bank of Canada for the 2020/21 school year in accordance with Section 243 of the Education Act. **CARRIED** 

## I-2 B-500 Moved by: Carol MacEachern Seconded by: Sandra Turco

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the lease of 68 new Xerox copiers at a cost of \$4,162 per month \$0.0049 cost per copy for black and white and \$0.0430 cost per copy in colour from Xerox Canada. **CARRIED** 

#### I-3 B-501 Moved by: Tony D'Agostino Seconded by: John Caputo That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board abandons its plans to

consolidate Our Lady of Fatima and Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Elementary Schools in Elliot Lake, and that work begins as soon as possible on making plans to repair and upgrade both schools. **CARRIED** 

## J-1-a HSCDSB Plan for Reopening Schools

Director Rose Burton Spohn touched on the board's evolving plan to ensure the safety of our students and staff. Various appendixes have been added, and will continue to be, as more information and protocols are provided by the Ministry of Education and health officials.

## J-1-b Accessibility Report

Director Rose Burton Spohn highlighted the various projects undertaken by the board to ensure accessibility for all students, staff and the public. Areas addressed throughout the 2019-20 school year include customer service training, information and communication upgrades, readiness of libraries, and relevant upgrades to physical/architectural structures.

## J-1-c Response to SEAC Recommendations

Superintendent Joe Chilelli shared the highlights from this report and the steps being taken by the Special Education Department.

## J-1-d Community Planning and Partnerships

Superintendent Chris Spina confirmed that the board currently does not have any surplus property for community use.

## J-1-e Purchasing Report

Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, advised of the four projects/ purchases completed since June 2020.

## J-1-f SMC Activity Report

Student Trustees Lucas Marano and Adam Morgenstern reported that, because of COVID-19 precautions, all athletics have been cancelled until further notice. However, the school is managing to keep the students engaged through virtual and small in-person events when possible. The Student Trustees also advised that Faith on Fire began taping on SMC TV and would appreciate the opportunity to present to the board at a future meeting.

N-1 B-502 Moved by: John Caputo Seconded by: Leslie Cassidy-Amadio That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, September 16, 2020 adjourns at 9:20 p.m. CARRIED

Chairperson:

Secretary:



## SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE S.E.A.C Minutes Date: Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Place: Teleconference Meeting (See dial in instructions at the end of this agenda) Time: 4:00pm - 6:00pm

Attendance: Rosanne Zagordo, Joe Chilelli, Theresa Coccimiglio, Gary Trembinski, Tina Newell, Lorna Connolly Beattie, Lori Ivey, Marnie Yourchuk, Rose Burton Spohn, Sandra Turco, Paula Valois, Jared Lambert

Student Trustees and Guests: Anthony DeLorenzi, Domenic Rosso, Nicole Chouinard

Regrets: Lynda Lewis, Lucas Marano, Sherri Kitts, Irma DiRenzo, Marty Young, Suzanne Pleau,

	AGENDA ITEMS	ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	PRAYER FOR SEAC Welcome	<ul> <li>SEAC prayer was said by all.</li> </ul>	Irma DiRenzo	
2.	ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES (May 27, 2020)	<ul> <li>Minutes were accepted from May 27, 2020.</li> </ul>	Gary Trembinski Lori Ivey	
3.	AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES			
4.	GUEST(s): REPORTS <ul> <li>Student Trustees- New</li> <li>Student Trustee- SMC</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SEAC thanks Anthony Delorenzi for serving as student trustee for the last 2 years. We welcome</li> </ul>		

	Dom Rosso and Nicole Chouinard- Holy Angels Learning Centre Principal	<ul> <li>Adam Morgenstern, our new student trustee, for 2020-2021.</li> <li>Domenic Rosso and Nicole Chouinard shared that 38 students graduated from Holy Angels Learning Centre (HALC) today. There was a virtual graduation held today. HALC works closely with community partners. Domenic Rosso and Nicole Chouinard reviewed the slide deck that was attached to SEAC.</li> <li>Items such as the HUBS, PLAR, Maturity and Equivalency credits and the WE (Work Experience) School-Connection program were discussed.</li> <li>This year there are between 50-60 HUB students, there were 8 students in the Co-op Pilot and in day school, there were 25 students.</li> <li>There are eleven community partners that help to recruit new students into HALC.</li> <li>Anthony reported that the ILS team would be visiting the 5 graduates at their home to bring them their parting graduation gift and certificate. They also continue to meet on Google Meet.</li> </ul>	
5.	MINISTRY UPDATES	<ul> <li>The news is that there had not been any significant updates especially concerning the Grant for Student Needs (GSN).</li> <li>We wait to hear what the news is for schools in the Fall, whether it is face to face, virtual or a combination of both. We are hopeful, by early August we will know more.</li> <li>The Ministry will be providing information in June about health updates in terms of Personal Protective Equipment and Distancing rules. This information will be most helpful in our planning process.</li> </ul>	Rose Burton Spohn
6.	<ul> <li>SEAC BUSINESS</li> <li>SEAC Recommendations Resolution</li> <li>Email Intent for members</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Theresa is still looking to hear from all members to state their intention if they are going to continue serving on SEAC.</li> <li>A resolution was put forward to pass the SEAC recommendations for 2020-2021. This was moved by Paula Valois and Seconded by Tina Newell. All members were in favour of passing this resolution.</li> </ul>	Paula Valois Tina Newell

7.	<ul> <li>BUSINESS CARRIED FORWARD</li> <li>Mental Health Audit</li> </ul> SUPERINTENDENT AND COORDINATOR'S REPORT <ul> <li>Retirement and posting in the department</li> <li>General updates</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>This Mental Health Audit was created for internal purposes but also for information as to what the Board is able to provide for services. Jared reviewed the attached document with SEAC.</li> <li>Ferdinand Wirth, our board psychometrist, is retiring after 50 years of service. Although we are happy for Ferd, we will look to fill this position with a posting for a Psychologist or Psychological Associate.</li> <li>Rosanne and Joe will be meeting with LRTs on Thursday June 18, 2020.</li> <li>Rosanne will send a card out to Ferdinand Wirth on behalf of SEAC members.</li> </ul>	Jared Lambert Joe Chilelli Rosanne Zagordo
9.	ASSOCIATION REPORTS		
İ	North Shore Tribal Council (S. Kitts)	<ul> <li>Most of the communities are reducing the restrictions on the borders. Marnie is meeting with the first nations chiefs this week. They are looking at back to work protocols.</li> </ul>	
ii	AUTISM ONTARIO SSM CHAPTER PARENT INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (I. DiRenzo)		
iii	ALGOMA FAMILY SERVICES (T. Coccimiglio)	<ul> <li>Virtual pride month is continuing, including virtual events. Dr. Ulzen is conducting OTNs this month. HSCDSB students are able to see Dr. Ulzen through her services.</li> <li>AFS is looking at heading back to work perhaps at the end of June but it will be in phases.</li> </ul>	
iv	SSM DOWN SYNDROME SOC. (S. Pleau)		
V	ALGOMA PUBLIC HEALTH (L. Ivey)	• Telepractice is continuing, but face to face won't be happening in a bit.	
vi	THRIVE – WELL BEING COMMITTEE ( T. Newell)	<ul> <li>Some priority clients will be seen soon. Telepractice is continuing.</li> </ul>	
vii	COMMUNITY LIVING ALGOMA (L. Lewis)		

x	MEMBER-AT-LARGE (P. Valois)	<ul> <li>Locally there have been community partners that come together which has included the principal of St. Joseph school, St. Joseph has an awesome facebook page. Paula thanked everyone on SEAC for their service and wishes everyone well. This concludes Paula's service on SEAC as she has serviced over 15 years.</li> </ul>	
xi	MEMBER-AT-LARGE – FOCUS ON FAITH (L. Connolly Beattie)	<ul> <li>Lorna will continue to sit on the Focu on Faith meetings for the upcoming year.</li> </ul>	
xii	TRUSTEES REPORT	• June 24 will be the final Board Meeting. The	
	(G. Trembinski)	budget has not been set yet due to the delays in the Ministry announcements.	
10.		Adjournment: 5:31 pm	Lori Ivey
			Paula Valois

Next Meeting: September 30, 2020

Place: Board Office - Meeting Room 2

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

From Sault Ste. Marie:

Teleconference #	705-945-5633
Participant Code	3902831#

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REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

## TRUSTEE HONORARIA

October 21, 2020

Submitted by: C. Spina, Superintendent of Business

The Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board's Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) lists Governance as one of its strategic directions. This report relates specifically to:

• Ensuring policies are adhered to

Ontario Regulation 357/06 of the Education Act requires boards to adopt a policy establishing the honoraria for its members their term of office. There are four components to trustee honoraria which a board may pay as follows:

- The base amount for the year.
- The enrolment amount for the year.
- The attendance amounts payable to a member for the year.
- The distance amount payable to a member for the year.

According to board Policy 2004 (Trustee Honoraria), the board will only pay its members the base and enrolment amounts.

Board Policy 2004 also requires the Superintendent of Business to provide the board with a calculation yearly for Trustee Honoraria. This is in accordance with Ontario Regulation 357/06.

Below is the calculation for the year commencing December 1, 2019.

#### Base and Enrolment Amount

Average Daily Enrolment (2019/20 Financial Statements) ADE x \$1.75	4,198.75 1.75_
	7,348
Divide by 9 (number of elected trustees)	816
Add - base amount	5,900
Trustee Honorarium effective December 1, 2020	6,716

Chair and Vice-Chair Amounts	Chair	Vice-Chair	
Trustee amount (above)	6,716	6,716	
Add Chair/Vice-chair base amount	5,000	2,500	
Enrolment allotment			
ADE x 5 cents - min 500 (chair)	500		
ADE x 2.5 cents - min 250 (vice- chair)		250	
Maximum Chair / Vice-Chair honoraria	12,216	9,466	

## Re: ST. MARY'S COLLEGE SCHOOL ACTIVITY REPORT

October 2020

Submitted by: Lucas Marano Adam Morgenstern Student Trustees St. Mary's College

#### <u>Events</u>

- Link Crew met with their Link Crew groups using the zoom platform.
- SMC is launching its 14th annual "Operation Smile" campaign from October 16-23rd. We have designed a new "smile" hoodie which can be worn as SMC spirit wear. The cost for the hoodie is \$35.00 and students will be sporting these throughout Smile week. Other events include homemade "smile" cookies prepared by the Foods and Nutrition class and sold by the Grade 12 Smile campaign coordinators. These will be individually packaged and sold every day for \$1.00 each. Additional fun events include the annual "Kidnap a Teacher" event with fun outdoor activities for the classes that round up the "Most Loose Change" for the cause, a "Minute to Win It" event where students take on quirky challenges and a dress down on Friday with a student donation of \$2. All funds raised during the week's events will be donated to Operation Smile International to help children in third world countries receive life changing cleft lip and cleft palate surgeries. To date, SMC has given brand new smiles to over 100 children worldwide.
- Starting on October 13th, Mr. Calvano's grade 12 religion class will be starting a clothing drive called "SMC Action." They will be collecting clothes from family members and friends and donating the clothes to people who are less fortunate.

#### Faith Initiatives:

- Opening Prayer Service took place in classrooms on September 16. It was a video prayer service where students were recorded reading in the Chapel and there was a video with class photos.
- Classes and staff were invited to nominate Knights who serve as exemplary models of the Catholic Virtue Faith. This was introduced during the Opening Prayer Service. The following students were honoured on the PA during a special morning prayer and with a certificate : Mikayla Ohlenschlager, Raistlin Krezek, Lily Masse, Corry Fosberg.
- On October 7, the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary morning prayer on the PA began with an intro about Mary and the rosary and classes were each assigned part of the rosary to pray together. Teachers have been encouraged to light the candle on their prayer table for these special services taking place in classrooms.

- Thanksgiving mass took place on October 9. Fr. Daniele recorded the parts of the mass and shared them with Miss Parniak who put the full video together. Student readers, who were all grade 9 students were recorded in the chapel. The opening song was done by Tianna Legacy and Ryan Mauro who recorded the song at home. The song was also used for our Grad Mass. The mass concluded with music of thanksgiving and photos of students holding up signs with what they were thankful for. (Earlier in the month Miss Parniak invited students and staff to make signs a great activity as a break and scheduled a photo day where she went around and captured their messages).
- The Student Nutrition Program has begun and it is being offered in the front lobby as students arrive. Students are also given the option to grab snacks for their breaks or lunch if needed.
- SMCTV is working on a video related to the virtue of the month for October which is courage. The video will be shared with students to kick off nominations for students to bring forward names of their peers who they feel exemplify the qualities of a Catholic student demonstrating courage.

#### Student Council

- Welcome week went extremely well and many students participated in our activities.
- We are starting to organize events for Halloween week. Halloween week. Although we don't have all of the events planned, we are thinking of doing a a murder mystery and a "COVID friendly" haunted house.