MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2020 @ 7:15 PM BOARD CHAPEL – CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE

Present: <u>Trustees:</u>

Lindsay Liske (Chair), Sandra Turco (Vice-Chair), Tony D'Agostino, Debbie Mayer, Kathleen Rosilius, Joe Ruscio

Via Skype: John Caputo, Carol MacEachern

Anthony DeLorenzi, Lucas Marano

Officials:

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

Regrets: Leslie Cassidy-Amadio, Gary Trembinski

Values and Vision

Trustee Kathleen Rosilius noted her participation at the Shrove Tuesday celebrations at Our Lady of Lourdes and Our Lady of Fatima Schools in Elliot Lake.

Trustee Kathleen Rosilius mentioned that a group of students from Our Lady of Fatima School in Elliot Lake went to Cutler and had a wonderful day eating bannock, playing games and making tea. It was a beautiful cultural day shared with students and staff.

Trustee Sandra Turco thanked the trustees and board for their heartfelt prayers and well wishes after the passing of her father and during her mother's recent surgery.

Director Rose Burton Spohn recognized two trustees for their outstanding community service. Trustee Joe Ruscio raised over \$11,000 for the Coldest Night of the Year, and was the top fundraiser in Sault Ste. Marie. Trustee Leslie Cassidy-Amadio was recognized by the Zonta Group for her outstanding effort with Joy-full Socks, which distributed over 4,000 pairs of socks this past Christmas to those in need.

Director Rose Burton Spohn introduced Stephanie MacWilliam, Vice-Principal of St. Mary's French Immersion. Stephanie is taking a course currently and is required to attend a board meeting to view the process. She was warmly welcomed by the trustees.

Adg# Res#

B-1 B-451 Moved by: John Caputo Seconded by: Carol MacEachern

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of March 11, 2020.

CARRIED

E-1 B-452 Moved by: Debbie Mayer Seconded by: Joe Ruscio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Board Meeting of February 12, 2020.

CARRIED

E-2 B-453 Moved by: Tony D'Agostino Seconded by: Sandra Turco

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the Minutes of the Closed Board Meeting of February 12, 2020.

CARRIED

G-1 Public Speaker Finalists

Paul Best, Principal of Holy Family School and co-organizer of the Public Speaking Contest, advised that the public speaking finalists had cancelled at the last moment and could not be in attendance. Paul thanked all those who helped with the event, including co-organizer Lou Spadafora, Vice-Principal of Holy Family School. The event was very competitive this year. The finalists did a phenomenal job and are hoping to present at a board meeting in the future.

G-2 Secondary School Athletics

Dave Zagordo, Athletic Lead at St. Mary's College, spoke of the various sports offered at SMC and showed an OFSSA video that highlighted the impact sports can have on our students. Sophie Thompson, a Grade 12 student at SMC, described the skills and attributes she acquired through sports, such as time management, leadership, and confidence. It was also noted that many dedicated staff members make sports possible in our schools.

H-1 B-454 Moved by: Sandra Turco Seconded by: Kathleen Rosilius

That the Minutes of the S.E.A.C. meeting of the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board of January 29, 2020 be approved. **CARRIED**

I-1 B-455 Moved by: Kathleen Rosilius Seconded by: Joe Ruscio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 2002 as presented.

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 4014 as presented.

CARRIED

J-1 Multi-Year Strategic Plan

Director Rose Burton Spohn outlined the process taking place this year to establish the board's new multi-year strategic plan. The final document will be presented to the board in January 2021 after extensive input from stakeholder focus groups and surveys is obtained and analyzed.

J-2 Capital Projects 2019-20

Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, outlined several of the large projects taking place over the next several months.

J-3 **Purchasing Report**

Superintendent Chris Spina presented the report as an information item.

J-4 **RFP – School Uniforms**

Superintendent Chris Spina outlined the process of the RFP and advised that a new company, DGN Kilters, will be taking over as the providers of St. Mary's College uniforms.

J-5 **SMC Activity Report**

Student trustees Anthony DeLorenzi and Lucas Marano reported on the accomplishments of the SMC student athletic teams and highlighted some March events at the school. A few noteworthy items were St. Kateri visits, Mardi Gras, and Ash Wednesday prayer services.

N-1 B-456 Moved by: John Caputo Seconded by: Debbie Mayer

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, March 11, 2020 adjourns at 8:20 p.m.

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