# MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021 @ 7:15 PM In Chapel/Google Meet STREAMED VIA YOUTUBE FOR PUBLIC

## **PRESENT: Trustees:**

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

#### Officials:

Rose Burton Spohn (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Christine Durocher, Justin Pino

#### **Student Representatives:**

Adam Morgenstern, Jenna Viotto

REGRETS: Sandra Turco (Chair), Debbie Mayer, Danny Viotto

#### Vision and Values

Superintendent Chilelli recognized 9-year-old student Cash Lajoie from Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Elementary School in Sault Ste. Marie, who raised money for ARCH again this year. Lajoie accomplished his personal best of riding his bicycle for 100 km and donating an additional \$5,000. Cash has also been nominated for the Sweet Change Good Deeds Award.

Superintendent Durocher congratulated the staff at Sacred Heart School in Espanola for hosting a unique outdoor grand opening that was attended by staff, trustees, Indigenous partners, and politicians. This opportunity was 17 years in the making and all were very proud to see it come to fruition.

Director Rose Burton Spohn recognized Local Government Week and acknowledged the work and dedication of trustees. She thanked them for governing the board both through open sessions and behind the scenes.

Vice-Chair Trembinski asked Director Burton Spohn to send a letter of thanks on behalf of the board to Cash Lajoie for his outstanding dedication to raising funds for ARCH. Vice-Chair Trembinski also asked that the student trustees forward a letter on behalf of all students commending Cash's efforts.

## Adg# Res#

# B-1 B-607 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: L. Cassidy-Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, October 20, 2021. **CARRIED** 

## E-1 B-608 Moved by: C. MacEachern Seconded by: K. Rosilius

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 22, 2021.

CARRIED

## E-2 B-609 Moved by: J. Ruscio Seconded by: L. Cassidy-Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Closed Board Meeting of September 22, 2021.

CARRIED

### G-1 Board Literacy Plan and Intervention Overview

Beth West (Early Interventions) and Micaela Olejnik (Catholic Curriculum Co-Ordinator K-8) outlined the board's new five-year Literacy Plan, which includes six interconnected goals focused on student achievement and assessment. The new Literacy Resource Page developed for teachers was also highlighted.

## G-2 Introduction of New Speech and Language Pathologist

Courtney Cizinoski, a former graduate of St. Mary's French Immersion School and St. Mary's College, provided the board with a brief outline of her educational background and the assets that she brings to the board in her new position as the Speech and Language Pathologist. She also highlighted her plan for connecting with all schools and her role in the Special Education team.

## H-1 B-610 Moved by: L. Cassidy-Amadio Seconded by: T. D'Agostino

That the Minutes of the S.E.A.C. meeting of the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board of June 15, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

## I-1 B-611 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: J. Caputo

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 4010 as presented.

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 4017 as presented.

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 6028 as presented.

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 6029 as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# I-5 B-612 Moved by: T. D'Agostino Seconded by: L. Liske

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 6032 as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## J-1 Response to SEAC Recommendations

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

#### J-2 Trustee Honoraria

Superintendent Pino advised that trustee honoraria are based on enrolment and are reported accordingly.

## J-3 SMC Activity Report

Student Trustees Morgenstern and Viotto highlighted some September events at the school, including components from sports, faith, student council and student senate. A few noteworthy items were the "Parables of Jesus Escape Room", the preparation for Halloween week activities, and the pumpkin carving contest run by the Student Senate for all city elementary students.

N-1	B-613 Moved by: L. Liske	Seconded by: L. Cass	sidv-Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, October 20, 2021 adjourns at 8:30 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Chairperson:				
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Secretary:				