MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024 @ 7:15 PM IN THE BOARD ROOM

PRESENT: Trustees:

Gary Trembinski (Chair), John Bruno (Vice-Chair), Carol Amadio, Kerri Commanda, Tony D'Agostino, Lindsay Liske, Carol MacEachern (virtual), Kathleen Rosilius, Sandra Turco

Officials:

Danny Viotto (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Christine Durocher, Fil Lettieri, Justin Pino, Franca Spadafora

Student Trustees:

Owen Middleton, Kenzie Garson, Mya Jensen

REGRETS: John Caputo

Vision and Values

At the start of the meeting, the student trustees presented the trustees and administrative team each with a single rose and a chocolate rose bouquet in honour of St. Valentine's Day. The generous and thoughtful gesture was touching and greatly appreciated by all.

Superintendent Durocher highlighted the outstanding performance by the St. Mary's French Immersion Choir at a recent Greyhound game. The 43-member choir performed Oh Canada, as well as the Star-Spangled Banner to a full fan base which included approximately 175 family members and students from the school.

Adg# Mtn#

B-1 B-844 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: J. Bruno

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, February 14, 2024. **CARRIED**

E-1 B-845 Moved by: L. Liske Seconded by: T. D'Agostino

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of January 17, 2024. **CARRIED**\

G-1 St. Mary's College Youth Relay for Life

St. Mary's College Grade 12 students, Abby Wing and Tori Carbone are this year's Relay for Life Co-Chairs. Approximately 100 staff and students participated in the May 2023 event, which reached their goal of raising \$35,000. Due to the overwhelming support with this initiative, the committee has raised their goal to \$45,000 for the May 24, 2024, event. With the

assistance of our board community, the team hopes to have another very successful relay.

- H-1 Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting
 Superintendent Lettieri presented the minutes for review and information.
- H-2 Minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee Meeting
 Superintendent Spadafora presented the minutes for review and information.

I-1 B-846 ELECTRONIC POLL

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board allows Student Trustee Mya Jensen to travel to Ottawa to attend the OSTA-AECO Education Action Conference.

CARRIED

I-2 B-847 Moved by: L. Liske Seconded by: J. Bruno

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the School Year Calendar for the 2024-2025 school year, as recommended and outlined in "Option 1".

CARRIED

I-3 B-848 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: S. Turco

Motion: That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board allows Chair Trembinski, Vice-Chair Bruno, Trustees Carol Amadio, John Caputo, Lindsay Liske, Kathleen Rosilius, Sandra Turco, and Director Viotto travel to Niagara Falls on May 2 - 4, 2024 to attend the OCSTA 2024 AGM and Conference.

CARRIED

I-4 B-849 Moved by: T. D'Agostino Seconded by: C. Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board allows Trustee Turco and Director Viotto to travel to Niagara Falls on May 1, 2024 to attend the OCSTA 2024 Business Seminar, which occurs prior to the AGM and Conference.

CARRIED

I-5 B-850 Moved by: K. Commanda Seconded by: T. D'Agostino

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the appointment of Rachelle Lambert as the primary S.E.A.C. member, and Sherri Kitts as the alternate S.E.A.C. member, representing the North Shore Tribal Council.

CARRIED

I-6 B-851 Moved by: C. MacEachern Seconded by: C. Amadio

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the purchase of 2,765 chromebooks, 101 chromebook carts and associated licensing from Dell Canada at a cost of \$1,178,995.74 which will be leased over a 4-year period.

CARRIED

I-7 B-852 Moved by: K. Commanda Seconded by: J. Bruno

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the purchase of 288 Dell Latitude Laptops for elementary teachers from Dell Canada at a cost of \$308,877.12 which will be leased over a 4-year period.

CARRIED

I-8 B-853 Moved by: C. Amadio Seconded by: L. Liske

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 5010 as presented.

CARRIED

I-9 B-854 Moved by: J. Bruno Seconded by: S. Turco

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the following field trip applications:

- 1. Our Lady of Fatima School (EL) travelling to Toronto, ON on June 19, 2024 and returning June 21, 2024.
- 2. St. Mary's College travelling to Ottawa, ON on April 22, 2024 and returning April 25, 2024.
- 3. Holy Angels Learning Centre and St. Mary's College travelling to Thailand on July 5, 2024 and returning on July 19, 2024.

CARRIED

J-1-a Student Demographic Census

Superintendent Spadafora presented the information gathered through the Student Demographic Census survey which was distributed in the spring of 2023. Data showed that unfortunately, only 9% of elementary students and 30% of secondary students participated. It is recognized that this is not the complete picture of everyone, but a snapshot of the information received was reviewed. The board continues to seek opportunities to learn more about the students it supports.

J-1-b SMC Activity Report

Student trustees Middleton, Garson and Jensen highlighted some of the February events at the school, including components from faith, sports, student council, Indigenous student council and student senate. A few noteworthy items were the grade 9 and 12 retreats at St. Kateri, "Valentine's Day Week" activities, ABCD Bon Soo School Winter Olympics and the I.L.S. Heaven Cent Bowling tournament.

N-1	B-855 Moved by: S. Turco	Seconded by: L. Liske

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, February 14, 2024, adjourns at 8:35 p.m. **CARRIED**

Chairperson:					
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Secretary:					
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