

**MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE  
HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024 @ 7:15 PM  
IN THE BOARD ROOM**

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**PRESENT     Trustees:**

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

**Officials:**

Fil Lettieri (Director of Education), Joe Chilelli, Stephanie Circelli, Justin Pino, Franca Spadafora, Syndy Withers

**Student Trustees:**

Kenzie Garson, Mya Jensen, Alexander Oraziatti

**REGRETS**

**Vision and Values**

*Director Lettieri made a statement regarding the Special Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2024. As Secretary of the Board, Lettieri accepted responsibility for the oversight on specifications with Policy 2000 – Electronic Meetings and apologized for the way the meeting concluded.*

*Superintendent Chilelli commented on the successful Cross-Country meet that was attended by approximately 600 students at Hiawatha Highlands. Students strived for their personal bests and despite the change in location from St. Kateri, everything went smoothly.*

*Trustee Rosilius congratulated the Our Lady of Fatima Catholic School (Elliot Lake) choir for their outstanding contribution to the city's Remembrance Day celebration. All students were exemplary stewards for the Board.*

*Trustee D'Agostino highlighted the amazing relationships formed on the St. Mary's College Boys Volleyball team. As coach, D'Agostino witnessed the bonding of this group of students and their achievement to make all players feel welcome. The mixture of locals and newcomers was a testament to the vision and values of our students as they formed lasting friendships and celebrated every aspect of not only the large, but small wins as well.*

*Superintendent Pino offered the Board's congratulations to Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, on his retirement announcement. Brown provided the Board with 24 years of dedicated services with the students always at the forefront of his decision making. Brown plans to begin his retirement in the Spring of 2025.*

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**B-1 B-924 Moved by: K. Rosilius**

**Seconded by: G. Trembinski**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

**CARRIED**

**D-1 ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF CHAIRPERSON**

*The following trustees were nominated for the position of Chair:*

<i>Trustee John Bruno</i>	<i>- let his name stand</i>
<i>Trustee Lindsay Liske</i>	<i>- declined the nomination</i>
<i>Trustee Sandra Turco</i>	<i>- let her name stand</i>

*An election took place and due to a tie in electoral votes, lots were drawn. Trustee Sandra Turco was awarded the position of Chair of the Board for 2025.*

**D-2 Chair Turco assumed the Chair position.**

**D-3 ELECTION FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON**

*The following trustees were nominated for the position of Vice-Chair:*

<i>Trustee John Bruno</i>	<i>- let his name stand</i>
<i>Trustee Tony D'Agostino</i>	<i>- let his name stand</i>
<i>Trustee Gary Trembinski</i>	<i>- declined the nomination</i>

*An election took place and due to a tie in electoral votes, lots were drawn. Trustee John Bruno was awarded the position of Vice-Chair of the Board for 2025.*

**B-925 Moved by: J. Caputo**

**Seconded by: C. Amadio**

That all ballots be destroyed at this time.

**CARRIED**

**D-4 COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD**

The Chairperson of the Board shall request volunteers for committees to submit their names in writing. The Chairperson shall appoint board members to a committee as is deemed to be in the Board's best interests.

**Appointments will be announced at the December 11, 2024, meeting.**

**(a) Special Education Advisory Committee (4-year term)**

*(Current term ending December 2026)*

- John Caputo
- Gary Trembinski
- Kathleen Rosilius (alternate)
- Sandra Turco (alternate)

- (b) **Audit Committee (4-year term)**  
(Current term ending December 2026)
  - John Bruno
  - Lindsay Liske
  - Gary Trembinski
- (c) **Parent Involvement Committee**
  - Chair or Designate
  - 1 Alternate
- (d) **Transportation Governance Committee**
  - Chair or Designate
- (e) **Policy Committee**
  - Board Chair
  - 3 Trustees
- (f) **Focus on Faith**
  - Chair or Designate
  - 1 Alternate
- (g) **Supervised Alternative Learning Committee**
  - 1 Trustee
  - 1 Alternate

**‘Ad Hoc’ Committees (when required)**

- (a) **Suspension/Expulsion Appeals Committee**
  - Committee of the Board
- (b) **Director’s Performance Appraisal Committee**
  - Committee of the Board
- (c) **Centre for Social Justice and Good Works**
  - 1 Trustee
  - 1 Alternate
- (d) **Finance Committee**
  - Committee of the Board

**E-1 B-926 Moved by: C. MacEachern      Seconded by: C. Amadio**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of October 16, 2024.

**CARRIED**

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- E-2 B-927 Moved by: L. Liske Seconded by: J. Caputo**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of October 16, 2024.  
**CARRIED**
- I-1 B-928 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: J. Caputo**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the RFP for Electrical Maintenance and Repair Services to Tombari Electric, S & T Electrical and Phase 4 Electric for a two-year period effective January 1, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- I-2 B-929 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: K. Rosilius**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board awards the RFP for HVAC Maintenance and Repair Services to Henderson Metal and S & T Electrical for a two-year period effective January 1, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- I-3 B-930 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: L. Liske**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 2010 as presented.  
**CARRIED**
- I-4 B-931 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: C. MacEachern**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve Policy 4014 as presented.  
**CARRIED**
- I-5 B-932 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: J. Caputo**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the following field trip applications:
1. St. Paul School – to travel to Toronto, ON on June 17, 2025, and returning on June 20, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- J-1-a Annual Trustee Expenses Report**  
*As per Board Policy 2007, Superintendent Pino presented the summary of Trustee Expenses for the 2023-24 school year. This report is for information purposes only.*
- J-1-b Capital Projects 2024-25**  
*Steve Brown, Manager of Plant Services, presented the list of projects to be completed in the 2024-25 school year, along with the correlating capital funding.*
- J-1-c SMC Activity Report**  
*Student Trustees Garson, Jensen and Oraziotti highlighted some of the November events at the school, including components from faith, sports, student council, Indigenous student council and student senate. A few*

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*noteworthy items were Faith on Fire meetings, JoyFull Socks Campaign, Haunted House activities and Treaty Week celebrations.*

**N-1 B-933 Moved by: J. Caputo**

**Seconded by: C. Amadio**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, November 13, 2024, adjourns at 8:43 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_