



1325 California Avenue
Windsor, ON N9B 3Y6
CHAIRPERSON: Fred Alexander
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Paul A. Picard

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, December 7, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.
Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre
1325 California Avenue, Windsor
(*Mass Assumption Chapel at 6:45 p.m.*)

MINUTES

PRESENT

Trustees:

F. Alexander (Chair)	J. Macri
J. Courtney	Bernie Mastromattei
M. DiMenna (Vice-Chair)	J. McMahan
F. Favot	L. Soulliere
B. Holland (<i>electronically</i>)	
M. Colman, Student Trustee	
L. Limarzi, Student Trustee	
Rev. L. Brunet, Board Chaplain	

Regrets:

Administration:

P. Picard (Resource)	S. Ficon
J. Bumbacco	P. Murray
C. Geml	C. Norris
M. Iatonna	S. O'Hagan-Wong
J. Braido	M. Seguin
P. Littlejohns	J. Shea
E. Byrne	J. Ulicny

Recorder:

B. Marshall

1. Call To Order - In accordance with Section Two of the Board By-laws, Paul Picard, Interim Director of Education called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. and presided over the meeting until the election of the Chair.
2. Welcome: The Director of Education welcomed everyone to this evening's meeting to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board for the first year of a four-year term.

3. Opening Prayer - Fr. Brunet opened the meeting with a prayer.
4. Commissioning/Declaration of Elected Members/Oath of Allegiance - Fr. Brunet led a commissioning prayer reaffirming trustees' commitment to the provision of Catholic education. Trustees signed the Declaration of Elected Members and Oath of Allegiance.
5. Recording of Attendance - The Director of Education indicated Trustee Holland participated electronically and confirmed that all members of the board were present, have been duly elected or acclaimed, and have taken the Oath of Allegiance and Declaration of Office as required. The members constituting this board are as follows:

Fred Alexander, City of Windsor Wards 5 & 8
Joan Courtney, County Area 1 (Amherstburg, LaSalle)
Mary DiMenna, County Area 2 (Essex, Leamington, Kingsville)
Frank Favot, City of Windsor Wards 2 & 9
Barbara Holland, City of Windsor Wards 6 & 7
John Macri, City of Windsor Wards 1 & 10
Bernie Mastromattei, City of Windsor Wards 3 & 4
Jim McMahan, City of Windsor, Area 4 (Tecumseh)
Lisa Soulliere, County Area 3 (Lakeshore)

6. Election of Chair

The Director of Education asked trustees to approve the appointment of two scrutineers.

Moved by Trustee Courtney and seconded by Trustee Alexander that the Board approve the appointment of Fr. Brunet and Superintendent Iatonna as scrutineers. Carried

As Presiding Officer, Director Picard invited trustees who wished to serve as Chair to stand and declare their candidacy. The following trustees declared their candidacy:

- Trustee Alexander
- Trustee Macri

After three requests by Director Picard inviting those who wished to stand to do so, there were no further declarations and the Director called that nominations be closed.

Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee DiMenna that nominations for the position of Chair be closed. Carried

Candidates Alexander and Macri provided their comments to the assembly in support of their respective nominations.

Scrutineers Father Brunet and Superintendent Iatonna distributed the ballots and tallied the results. Director Picard announced that Trustee Alexander would serve as Chair of the Board.

Moved by Trustee McMahan and seconded by Trustee DiMenna that the ballots for the election of the Chair of the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board be destroyed. Carried

At this point, Trustee Alexander assumed the Chair and proceeded with election of the Vice-Chair.

7. Election of Vice-Chair

Chair Alexander invited trustees who wished to serve as Vice-Chair to stand and declare their candidacy. The following trustees rose and declared their candidacy:

- Trustee DiMenna

After three requests by the Chair inviting those who wished to stand to do so there were no further declarations and the Chair called that the nominations be closed.

Moved by Trustee Favot and seconded by Trustee Mastromattei that nominations for the position of Vice-Chair be closed. Carried

Trustee DiMenna was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chair.

Vice-Chair DiMenna requested to address the board and members at the next scheduled meeting.

8. Chairperson's Address - Chair Alexander addressed the Board and thanked his colleagues for their continued support and endorsement. Chair Alexander commented on the accomplishments of the Board over the last term and outlined some of the challenges for Catholic education in Windsor and Essex County for the upcoming year. Chair Alexander thanked the entire board staff for their dedication and contributions to making Catholic education such a success in Windsor and Essex County. Chair Alexander thanked the student trustees for their commitment.
9. Establishment of Committees - Chair Alexander asked trustees to review the present list of Committee appointments and to contact him or the Board Executive Assistant with their preferences as soon as possible. Committee appointments will be confirmed at a future meeting.
10. Next Regular Meeting of the Board: Tuesday, December 14, 2010
11. Closing Prayer – Fr. Brunet closed the meeting with a prayer.
12. Adjournment – There being no further business, the Organizational Meeting of December 7, 2010 adjourned at 8:01 p.m. at the call of the Chair.

Approved

Fred Alexander
Board Chairperson

Paul A. Picard
Interim Director of Education & Secretary