

**SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**



**Mission Statement**



*In partnership with the students, the home and the community,  
Superior-Greenstone District School Board will address individual students' needs by providing:  
a diverse education that prepares for and honours their chosen path for success,  
avenues that foster a love of learning, and  
the means to honour varied learning styles.*

**Videoconference Site Locations**

Superior-Greenstone District School Board ... (SGDSB) ..... 12 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON  
Manitouwadge High School ..... (MNHS) ..... 200 Manitou Road W., Manitouwadge, ON  
Marathon High School ..... (MRHS) ..... 14 Hemlo Drive, Marathon, ON  
Lake Superior High School ..... (LSHS) ..... Hudson Drive, Terrace Bay, ON  
Nipigon-Red Rock District High School ..... (NRHS) ..... 20 Frost Street, Red Rock, ON  
Geraldton Composite High School ..... (GCHS) ..... 500 Second Street West, Geraldton, ON

**Regular Board Meeting 2009/09**

*Committee of Whole Board In-Camera  
(Closed to Public) 6:30 p.m.*

*Regular Board Meeting: (Open to Public)  
Follows conclusion of In-Camera*

**MINUTES**

**Monday, September 21, 2009**

Designated Site: Lake Superior High School, Terrace Bay, ON

**Board Chair: Mark Mannisto**

**Director Designate: Patti Pella**

VC Sites at: GCHS / MNHS / NRHS / SGBO

Teleconference Moderator: RM. Joannette

**1.0** **Roll Call**

The Board Chair Mark Mannisto conducted roll call ionEMC ET72 708.62572 72318 refBT/P #MCID 1 8DC /TT1 1

**8.0 Minutes**

8.1 Board Meetings:

8.1.1 2009/08 Regular Board – August 24, 2009  
**200/09**

*(Attach.)*

*Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell*

*Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow*

***That,***

- Student Council is in place with a goal set to promote school spirit. The council is exploring the option of ordering shirts for sports days
- A Welcome Back BBQ is planned for September 24, 2009 and an open invite is extended to trustee and board office staff.
- The first sports day is scheduled in Wawa
- Yearbook planning is off to slow start. Yearbook for 2008-2009 is still under production.

## **11.0 Reports of the Director of Education**

*(Director: Patti Pella)*

### **11.1 Report No 57: 2009-2010 Additional Elementary Staffing 203/09**

*Moved by: Trustee B. Bartlett*

*Seconded by: Trustee K. Notwell*

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives Report No. 57: 2009-2010 Additional Elementary Staffing as presented.

Carried

Director Pella said this report addresses the need for an additional 0.5 FTE teaching at George O'Neill PS. The Grade 3/4 class has 26 students. The additional staff would allow the morning focus to do math and literacy.

### **204/09**

*Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow*

*Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher*

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB approve an addition of 0.5 FTE Teacher for the George O'Neill Public School.

Carried

## **12.0 Reports of the Education Committee**

*(Education Chair: K. Notwell)*

*Superintendent of Education: Vacant*

### **12.1 Report No 58: Blended Learning Project 205/09**

*Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell*

*Seconded by: Trustee D. Keenan*

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 58: Blended Learning Project.

Carried

Director Pella reported that the ministry has approved a joint submission by Lakehead DSB and Superior-Greenstone DSB for a blended learning project for the 2009-2010. Blended learning incorporates the use of on-line resources and materials in a traditional classroom setting. The grade 7 and 8 mathematics teachers at the George O'Neill, Dorion and Red Rock PS are participating as well as the grade 9 and 10 applied math teachers at the Nipigon Red Rock DHS. The goal of the project is to facilitate teacher use of on-line learning opportunities and to enhance both student engagement and student achievement in Mathematics. Teachers involved in the project will have full use of all of eLearning Ontario resources and tools.

### **12.2 Report No 59: EQAO Grade 9 Math Assessment Results 206/09**

*Moved by: Trustee K. Notwell*

*Seconded by: Trustee J. Sparrow*

**That**, the Superior-Greenstone DSB receives as information Report No. 59: EQAO Grade 9 Math Assessment Results.

Carried

Director Pella reviewed the Grade 9 EQAO math results noting that the statistics indicate a decreased performance as compared with the provincial levels. Girls' performance levels have fallen behind the level for boys. This is a concern because past results have always had the girls outperforming the boys. The reports outlines "next steps" in light of the current results and Director Pella also noted that the ministry's Mathematics Facilitator initiative at the elementary level might well have a positive impact on the secondary level testing.



**16.0 Trustee Associations and Other Boards**

16.1 OPSBA Director Meeting: September 25, 2009

Trustee D. Keenan reported that Director's meeting agenda includes a final report by A. Gigeure regarding the former Caramat Area District School Board and Bill 177 School Board Governance. She also reported that at the OPSBA Northern Regional meetings it is expected that the northern director would bring forward an itemized report on videoconferencing as a means to cost effectively convene more than four meetings annually.

**17.0 Observer Comments**

*(Members of the public limited to 2-minute address)*

PART III: *Committee of Whole Board*

*Section (C) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 9:05 p.m.*

**18.0 Committee of the Whole Board (In-Camera Closed)**

18.1 Committee of the Whole Board, Section (C) - Closed  
**214/09**

*Moved by: Trustee J. Sparrow*

*Seconded by: Trustee C. Fisher*

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**TOPICS**

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**PART I:** *Committee of Whole Board*

*Section (A): In-Camera – (closed to public) 6:30 p.m.*

- 1.0 Personnel Report: (Trustee Queries re Personnel Report No. 63) (B. Draper)
- 2.0 Litigation
  - 2.1 Judicial Review (P. Pella)
  - 2.2 Labour Relations Section 69 Application (B. Rousseau)

**PART III:** *Committee of Whole Board*

*Section (C): In-Camera – (closed to public) 8:44 p.m.*

- 1.0 Personnel Report No. 63 (P. Pella)

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APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2009

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR