

# DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ONTARIO NORTH EAST

**MINUTES** of the Special Board Meeting of District School Board Ontario North East held at 10:00 a.m. in the boardroom of the Schumacher Board Office, 153 Croatia Avenue, Schumacher, on **August 25, 2009**.

## **TRUSTEES PRESENT:**

Saunders Porter (Chair)  
Bill Brookfield  
Dennis Draves  
Tom Henderson  
Richard Knowles  
Peter Osterberg  
Albert Schaffer

## **TRUSTEES ABSENT**

Heather Bozzer  
Howard Archibald  
Juergen Leukert  
Rosemary Pochopsky (Vice-Chair)

## **ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:**

Linda Knight - Director of Education  
Barry Peterson - Superintendent of Business and Finance  
Jo-Anne Plaunt - Superintendent of Schools  
Steve Pladzyk - Superintendent of Schools  
Ken Ryan - Superintendent of Human Resources

## **ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:**

Michelle Leigh - Superintendent of Schools

## **GUESTS**

Peter Tonkin - Trustee, Gogama  
Lea Melanson - Trustee, Foleyet  
Corinna Wronna - Community Use of School Facilities Outreach Co-ordinator

## **RECORDING SECRETARY:**

Janice Sharpe

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Saunders Porter, Chair at 10:00 a.m.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

### **3774-09 SCHAFFER/DRAVES:**

**THAT** the Agenda for the Special Board Meeting dated August 25, 2009 be approved with the following:

Presentations: a) Board Organization Chart  
b) Kirsten Elvestad – Student Success

Other Business: Tuition Agreements

CARRIED.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There was no conflict of interest declared.

**PRESENTATIONS****Organizational Chart**

**3775-09 OSTERBERG/KNOWLES:**           **THAT** the Board Organizational Chart be received.

CARRIED.

The following Administration gave presentations outlining initiatives within their respective portfolios:

Board Improvement Plan – Linda Knight, Director of Education

Special Education Focus – Jo-Anne Plaunt, Superintendent of Schools

JK to 6 Curriculum – Steve Pladzyk, Superintendent of Schools

Energy Efficiency – Barry Peterson, Superintendent of Business and Finance

N.T.I.P. – Ken Ryan, Superintendent of Human Resources

Student Success – Kirsten Elvestad, Student Success Co-ordinator and Vice-Principal

**3776-09 BROOKFIELD/KNOWLES:**           **THAT** the Board Improvement Plan as presented by Linda Knight, Director of Education, be received.

CARRIED.

**3777-09 DRAVES/BROOKFIELD:**           **THAT** the Special Education Focus Report as presented by Jo-Anne Plaunt, Superintendent of Schools, be received.

CARRIED.

**3778-09 OSTERBERG/KNOWLES:**           **THAT** the JK to 6 Curriculum Report as presented by Steve Pladzyk, Superintendent of Schools, be received.

CARRIED.

**3779-09 SCHAFFER/KNOWLES:**           **THAT** the Energy Efficiency Report Report, as presented by Barry Peterson, Superintendent of Business and Finance, be received.

CARRIED.

**3780-09 DRAVES/OSTERBERG:**           **THAT** the New Teacher Induction Program Report as presented by Ken Ryan, Superintendent of Human Resources, be received.

CARRIED.

- 3781-09 DRAVES/KNOWLES: **THAT** the Student Success Report as presented by Kirsten Elvestad, Student Success Co-ordinator and Vice-Principal, be received.  
CARRIED.
- Staffing
- 3782-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** Maria Scheculski be appointed Principal of W.E. Miller Public School effective August 31, 2009.  
CARRIED.
- 3783-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** Doug Turcotte be appointed Principal of Bertha Shaw Public School effective August 31, 2009.  
CARRIED.
- 3784-09 SCHAFFER/OSTERBERG: **THAT** Tanya Vincze be appointed Principal of Flora MacDonald Public School effective August 31, 2009.  
CARRIED.
- 3785-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** Shawn Donovan be appointed Acting Vice-Principal of W.E. Miller Public School effective August 31, 2009 to June 25, 2010.  
CARRIED.
- 3786-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** Lisa Yee be appointed Vice-Principal of R.R. Beattie Public School effective August 31, 2009.  
CARRIED.
- 3787-09 BROOKFIELD/HENDERSON: **THAT** Matthew Allen be appointed Acting Vice-Principal of Timiskaming District Secondary School from August 31, 2009 to June 25, 2010.  
CARRIED.
- 3788-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, (In-Camera).  
CARRIED.
- 3789-09 OSTERBERG/BROOKFIELD: **THAT** this Board reconvene in regular session.  
CARRIED.
- 3790-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER: **THAT** Laura Michaud, presently a .5 Literacy Coach, become a 1.0 Literacy Coach commencing August 31, 2009.  
CARRIED.
- 3791-09 BROOKFIELD/KNOWLES: **THAT** we increase our Math Coach complement by 1.0 FTE.  
CARRIED.

**New School Update**

**3792-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER:**      **THAT** this Board resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, (In-Camera). CARRIED.

**3793-09 OSTERBERG/BROOKFIELD:**      **THAT** this Board reconvene in regular session. CARRIED.

**3794-09 OSTERBERG/SCHAFFER:**      **That** the Board appoint the following committee to proceed with the construction of the new Timmins French Immersion School:

- Trustees: Rosemary Pochopsky, Heather Bozzer, Peter Osterberg, Bert Schaffer
- Director of Education: Linda Knight
- Superintendent of Business and Finance: Barry Peterson
- Superintendent of Schools: Steve Pladzyk
- Principals: Rosemary Lessard, Tanya Vincze, Lee-Ann Wearing
- Manager of Building Services – Carole Horton
- Parent Representatives: Tracy Hautenen, Alberta Litt, Peter Pidskalny

CARRIED.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**3795-09 OSTERBERG/HENDERSON:**      **THAT** Committee of the Whole Recommendation # 2009-25 be approved. CARRIED.

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

**3796-09 HENDERSON/OSTERBERG:**      **THAT** the Report from the Ministry of Education titled “Lockdown Procedures and Police and School Protocols” be received. CARRIED.

**3797-09 HENDERSON/OSTERBERG:**      **THAT** the Report from the Ministry of Education titled “Trustee Expenses” be received. CARRIED.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**3798-09 SCHAFFER/BROOKFIELD:**      **THAT** we do now adjourn. CARRIED.

**SECRETARY OF THE BOARD**

**CHAIR OF THE BOARD**