



**Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, October 25, 2016 ♦ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Boardroom**

**Members:**

**Trustees:**

Rick Petrella (Chair), Cliff Casey (Vice Chair), Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Carol Luciani, Bonnie McKinnon, Rosalin Dubois (Student Trustee)

**Senior Administration:**

Chris N. Roehrig (Director of Education & Secretary), Thomas R. Grice (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Patrick Daly, Michelle Shypula and Leslie Telfer (Superintendents of Education)

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**1. Opening Business**

**1.1 Opening Prayer**

- Memorial Statement for Gabriele Decarolis, former trustee, Haldimand-Norfolk Roman Catholic Separate School Board
- Memorial Statement for Jack Griffin, former trustee, Brant County Roman Catholic Separate School Board

**1.2 Attendance**

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

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**1.4 Declaration of Interest**

**1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – September 27, 2016**

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**1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes**

**2. Presentations**

The Board will receive a presentation on the St. John's College Senior Football Team's excursion to Gahanna, Ohio.

**3. Delegations - Nil**

**4. Consent Agenda – Nil**

**5. Committee and Staff Reports**

- 5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting – October 18, 2016**  
Presenter: Cliff Casey, Vice Chair of the Board

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- OCSTA Annual Membership Fees (pg. 12)

**5.2** First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education Pages 13-17  
Presenter: Patrick Daly, Superintendent of Education

**5.3** Student Trustee Update Page 18  
Presenter: Rosalin Dubois, Student Trustee

**6. Information and Correspondence**

**7. Notices of Motion for Consideration at Next Board Meeting**

**8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption - Nil**

**9. Trustee Inquiries**

**10. Business In-camera**

207. (2) Closing of certain committee meetings. A meeting of a committee of a board, including a committee of the whole board, may be closed to the public when the subject-matter under consideration involves,
- The security of the property of the board;
  - The disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the board or committee, an employee or prospective employee of the board or a pupil or his or her parent or guardian;
  - The acquisition or disposal of a school site;
  - Decisions in respect of negotiations with employees of the board; or
  - Litigation affecting the board.

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**13. Closing Prayer**

*Heavenly Father, we thank you for your gifts to us: for making us, for saving us in Christ, for calling us to be your people. As we come to the end of this meeting, we give you thanks for all the good things you have done in us. We thank you for all who have shared in the work of this Board, and ask you to bless us all in your love. We offer this prayer, Father, through Christ our Lord. **Amen***

**14. Adjournment**



**Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, September 27, 2016 ♦ 7:00 pm**  
**Boardroom**

**Trustees:**

**Present:** Rick Petrella (Chair), Cliff Casey (Vice Chair), Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Carol Luciani, Bonnie McKinnon, Rosalin Dubois (Student Trustee)

**Absent:**

**Senior Administration:**

Chris N. Roehrig (Director of Education & Secretary), Thomas R. Grice (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Patrick Daly, Michelle Shypula and Leslie Telfer (Superintendents of Education)

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**1. Opening Business**

**1.1 Opening Prayer**

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Trustee Luciani.

**1.2 Attendance – As noted above.**

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the September 27, 2016 meeting.

**Carried**

**1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil**

**1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – June 28, 2016**

**Approval of Special Meeting of the Board Minutes – July 19, 2016**

**Approval of Special Meeting of the Board Minutes – August 31, 2016**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the June 28, 2016 Board meeting.

**Carried**

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the July 19, 2016 Special Meeting of the Board.

**Carried**

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the August 31, 2016 Special Meeting of the Board.

**Carried**



**1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil**

**2. Presentations - Nil**

**3. Delegations - Nil**

**4. Consent Agenda - Nil**

**5. Committee and Staff Reports**

**5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting – September 20, 2016**

Vice-Chair Casey summarized the business of the September 20, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting and brought forward the following recommendations:

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the Pupil Accommodation Review – Norfolk County, Initial Staff Report for an accommodation review for Our Lady of LaSalette, LaSalette; St. Bernard of Clairvaux, Waterford and St. Frances Cabrini, Delhi schools.

**Carried**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the request from Holy Trinity Catholic High School and St. John's College for an excursion to Spain from Friday, March 10 (evening) to Saturday, March 18, 2017.

**Carried**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the request from Assumption College School, Holy Trinity Catholic High School and St. John's College for an excursion Mission Trip to Columbia, SC during the period of Friday, November 4 to Saturday November 12, 2016.

**Carried**

**5.2 Summer Learning Programs 2016**

Superintendent Daly reported that the 2016 summer learning programs focused on three areas-- preparing students for transition to secondary school, acquiring secondary school credits, and reinforcing literacy skills at the elementary level. All programs saw significant growth over previous summers and were successful. He also commented on the Focus on Youth Summer Program, which was offered in partnership with Woodview and Camp Unity. This program provided employment, skills training and leadership opportunities for ten students over a six-week period.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Summer Learning Programs Report.

**Carried**



**5.3 Student Trustee Report**

Student Trustee Dubois reported that the September Student Council Leadership Retreat, which encouraged teamwork and leadership skills development for student council members from all three secondary school, was a very worthwhile experience. In school news, the focus was on welcoming all Grade 9 students and kicking off the new school year with high-spirited events.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Student Trustee report.

**Carried**

**6. Information and Correspondence**

Director Roehrig informed trustees that a communication regarding the upcoming Pupil Accommodation Review – Norfolk County will be going home tomorrow to all families in the study's catchment area.

Trustee McKinnon advised that Father David Reilander, former pastor at St. Mary's parish in Brantford, has been appointed as President of Catholic Missions In Canada effective September 1, 2016.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

**Carried**

**7. Notices of Motion for Consideration at Next Board Meeting – Nil**

**8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption – Nil**

**9. Trustee Inquiries - Nil**

**10. Business In-Camera**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an in-camera session.

**Carried**

**11. Report on the In-Camera Session**

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the business of the in-camera session.

**Carried**

**12. Future Meetings**

Chair Petrella drew attention to the list of upcoming meetings and events.



**13. Closing Prayer**

Chair Petrella led the closing prayer.

**14. Adjournment**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the meeting of September 27, 2016.

**Carried**

# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BOARD FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

October 18, 2016

<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>	<b>MOTION</b>
5.4	<p>THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves continued membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and remits the annual membership fee of \$44,425 for the 2016-17 school year.</p> <p>THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves and remits the 2016-17 Special F.A.C.E. Levy fee of \$953.10 to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association.</p> <p>THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board remits the Central Bargaining Fees for 2016-17 in the amount of \$43,017, which will be fully reimbursed through the annual Ministry GSN allocation to the Board.</p>

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 18, 2016.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 18, 2016.



**Committee of the Whole**  
**Tuesday, October 18, 2016 ♦ 7:00 pm**  
**Boardroom**

**Trustees:**

**Present:** Rick Petrella (Chair), Cliff Casey (Vice Chair), Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Carol Luciani, Bonnie McKinnon, Rosalin Dubois (Student Trustee)

**Absent:**

**Senior Administration:**

Chris N. Roehrig (Director of Education & Secretary), Patrick Daly, Michelle Shypula and Leslie Telfer (Superintendents of Education)

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**1. Opening Business**

**1.1 Opening Prayer**

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Trustee McKinnon.

**1.2 Attendance – As noted above.**

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the October 18, 2016 meeting.

**Carried**

**1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil**

**1.5 Approval of Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes –September 20, 2016**

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the September 20, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting.

**Carried**

**1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil**

**2. Presentations – Nil**

**3. Delegations – Nil**





**4. Consent Agenda**

**4.1** THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the unapproved minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of September 20, 2016 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

**4.2** THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the unapproved minutes of the Mental Health Steering Committee Meeting of September 29, 2016 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives all reports and approves all motions under the Consent Agenda.

**Carried**

**5. Committee and Staff Reports**

**5.1 System Plan to Improve Student Achievement in Mathematics**

Superintendent Shypula provided a comprehensive report on the action plan in place to support ongoing improvement in student achievement, particularly in the area of Junior Mathematics, which is an area of concern province wide. She provided data analysis of areas of strength and weakness, and commented that the identified need at this time is improving student learning and providing learning for educators to enhance their content knowledge for teaching mathematics. Superintendent Shypula expanded on the many strategies noted in her report that are in place on a going-forward basis. Discussion ensued and several questions of clarification were addressed by Superintendent Shypula and Director Roehrig.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the System Plan to Improve Student Achievement in Mathematics to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

**Carried**

**5.2 Integrated Accessibility Plan: Annual Report 2015-16**

Superintendent Telfer provided a progress report on the status of the Board's 2013-2017 Integrated Accessibility Plan, which aims to remove barriers and improve access and opportunities for people with disabilities, as mandated by the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*. She noted that participation in a recent file review with respect to communication of and training on AODA legislation enhanced the Board's level of compliance. Goals for 2016-17 were outlined and Superintendent Telfer commented that the Board is on schedule to achieving full AODA compliance by the 2025 deadline.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Integrated Accessibility Plan Annual Report 2015-16 to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

**Carried**



**5.3 Primary and Junior/Intermediate Class Sizes**

Superintendent Daly provided details of the Board's compliance with Ministry regulations with respect to Primary and Junior/Intermediate class sizes. He noted that two primary teachers were added due to increased enrolment in order to meet the primary class size mandate of 90% of classes at 20 or fewer pupils. He reported that the Board's Junior/Intermediate average class size is 25.50 students, which is in keeping with Ministry requirement.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Primary and Junior/Intermediate Class Sizes report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

**Carried**

**5.4 Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Annual Fees**

Chair Petrella reviewed the fee structure used to determine this year's membership fees with the provincial Trustees' Association, which has not changed from last year.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves continued membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and remits the annual membership fee of \$44,425 for the 2016-17 school year.

**Carried**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves and remits the 2016-17 Special F.A.C.E. Levy fee of \$953.10 to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association.

**Carried**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board remits the Central Bargaining Fees for 2016-17 in the amount of \$43,017, which will be fully reimbursed through the annual Ministry GSN allocation to the Board.

**Carried**

**6. Information and Correspondence**

Chair Petrella provided suggested dates and location for the annual Christmas social.

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

**Carried**

**7. Trustee Inquiries**

Trustee Chopp informed the Board of a current telephone scam soliciting donations in support of the Thank-A-Vet program.



**8. Business In-Camera**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an In-Camera Session.

**Carried**

**9. Report on the In-Camera Session**

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the business of the in-camera session.

**Carried**

**10. Future Meetings**

Chair Petrella drew trustee attention to upcoming meetings and events.

**11. Closing Prayer**

Chair Petrella led the closing prayer.

**12. Adjournment**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the meeting of October 18, 2016.

**Carried**

**REPORT TO THE BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Prepared by: Chris N. Roehrig, Director of Education & Secretary  
Presented to: Committee of the Whole  
Submitted on: October 18, 2016  
Submitted by: Rick Petrella, Chair of the Board

**ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION –  
ANNUAL FEES**  
Public Session

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) continues to be a strong guiding and unifying force for Catholic education in our province, which includes 550,000 students and 2.4 million separate school ratepayers. They work with partner organizations to promote and protect Catholic education. On a yearly basis, the Board has remitted a membership fee.

**DEVELOPMENTS:**

There is no change to the OCSTA membership fees for the 2016-17 school year. The annual fee for our Board is calculated on a base amount of \$8,160 plus a cost of \$3.805 per student. Based on our 2015-16 student enrolment of 9,531 ADE (Average Daily Enrolment), the membership fee for this year is \$44,425 (HST not applicable).

In 2013-14, a special F.A.C.E. levy for promoting and protecting Catholic education was introduced and this levy will continue for 2016-17. The levy is calculated at 10 cents per pupil (a slight increase from 9.8 cents in previous years) for a total of \$953.10 (HST not applicable).

OCSTA continues to be fully funded by the Ministry of Education for costs associated with the Association serving as the designated bargaining agent for its 29 Catholic District School Boards. The Board's fees for Central Bargaining for 2016-17 is \$43,017, as set out in Ontario Regulation 206/15, and is included in the Board's annual GSN allocation from the Ministry.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves continued membership with the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and remits the annual membership fee of \$44,425 for the 2016-17 school year.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves and remits the 2016-17 Special F.A.C.E. Levy fee of \$953.10 to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association.

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board remits the Central Bargaining Fees for 2016-17 in the amount of \$43,017, which will be fully reimbursed through the annual Ministry GSN allocation to the Board.

## REPORT TO THE BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Prepared by: Pat Daly, Superintendent of Education  
Presented to: Board of Trustees  
Submitted on: October 25, 2016  
Submitted by: Chris Roehrig, Director of Education & Secretary

### FIRST NATION, MÉTIS AND INUIT (FNMI) EDUCATION Public Session

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#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

In alignment with the Ministry of Education's Implementation Plan for Ontario First Nation, Métis and Inuit (FNMI) Education Policy Framework (2014) and the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board's Improvement Plan for Student Achievement (BIPSA), a 2016-17 FNMI Board Action Plan has been developed to maintain and enhance the goals of last year's plan.

#### **DEVELOPMENTS:**

The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board's FNMI Action Plan addresses the four Ministry identified pillars with the ultimate goals of improving student achievement and well-being among FNMI students and to close the achievement gap between Aboriginal students and all students. This year's Plan will continue to build on the initiatives put in place during the 2015-16 school year (see attachment), as well as focusing on the following priorities:

#### **Ministry Pillars and Board Priorities 2016-17**

##### **1) Using Data to Support Student Achievement**

- With updated student self-identification process, begin tracking identified FNMI student achievement to establish baseline data to refine strategies and to develop new initiatives to close achievement gaps and improve education outcomes for FNMI students.

##### **2) Supporting Students**

- Expanded role for FNMI Mentor to support both elementary and secondary students.
- Cayuga language class at Assumption College School (semester 2).
- Refine selection process for Student Advisory Group (application process).
- Establish peer-to-peer mentoring activities.

##### **3) Supporting Educators**

- Facilitate professional development opportunities that enable teachers and Board leaders to increase their knowledge and awareness of Aboriginal cultures, histories, traditions and perspectives and to enhance their capacity to support Aboriginal learners more effectively.
- Expanded role for FNMI Mentor to support both elementary and secondary teachers, as well as various Board level committees.
- Develop a teacher resource kit for each school to assist teachers in incorporating culturally-appropriate pedagogy and resources into practice.

#### 4) Engagement and Awareness Building

- Continue to build relationships with community members with a goal of having two First Nation parents, two First Nation student leaders from the Student Advisory panel and Elder representation on the Board Advisory Panel.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the First Nation, Métis and Inuit (FNMI) Education report.

# **FIRST NATION, MÉTIS AND INUIT (FNMI) EDUCATION PRIORITY STRATEGIES**

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Through cooperation and partnerships with First Nation, Métis, and Inuit families, community members and organizations, our FNMI Board Action Plan highlights goals, strategies and evidence-based outcomes that will:

- increase the capacity of the education system to respond to the learning and cultural needs of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students;
- provide quality programs, services, and resources to help create learning opportunities for First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students that support improved academic achievement and identity building;
- provide a curriculum that facilitates learning about contemporary and traditional First Nation, Métis, and Inuit cultures, histories, and perspectives among all students, and that also contributes to the education of school board staff, teachers, and elected trustees; and
- develop and implement strategies that facilitate increased participation by First Nation, Métis, and Inuit parents, students, communities, and organizations in working to support academic success.

## **FNMI ACTION PLAN:**

The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board's FNMI Action Plan addresses four Ministry-identified pillars from which 16 specific framework implementation strategies are highlighted:

### **Four Ministry Pillars:**

- i. Using Data to Support Student Achievement
- ii. Supporting Students
- iii. Supporting Educators
- iv. Engagement and Awareness Building

Although our FNMI Action Plan addresses all 16 Ministry implementation strategies, our Board Action Plan prioritizes six strategies:

- 1. Through Board planning processes, identify resources and supports that will help improve the engagement, learning, achievement, and well-being of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students.**

### **Action:**

- The FNMI Lead and FNMI Mentor will sit on the Board's Mental Health Steering Committee.
- A Mental Health FNMI sub-committee will be established to explore culturally-relevant intervention models and supports for FNMI students utilizing intake data provided by the Mental Health Lead.

- The FNMI Advisory Committee will refine and monitor the implementation of the Board FNMI Action Plan with special regard for the Board planning processes, identification of resources and supports that will help improve the engagement, learning, achievement, and well-being of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students.
- The FNMI Lead will work with various Board Leads (Student Achievement Leadership Training (SALT) Lead, Student Achievement Lead, Secondary Collaborative Inquiry Lead, Faith Animator, Religion & Family Life Consultant, Special Education Lead, and Equity & Inclusion Principal Lead) to analyze relevant FNMI student data.
- Continue to build relationships with community members with a goal of having two First Nation parents, two First Nation student leaders from the Student Advisory panel and Elder representation on our Board Advisory Panel

**2. Continue to work with local First Nations to implement successful Education Service Agreements and to support successful transitions for First Nations students.**

**Action:**

- Hire a FNMI Mentor to support student achievement and success for FNMI students
- Meet with four elementary schools located on Six Nations to refine transition process from elementary to secondary.
- Organize a Summer Transition Camp for Grade 9 students.
- Meet with Student FNMI Advisory Group to acquire “student voice” regarding more effective transitions.
- Expanded role for FNMI Mentor to support both elementary and secondary students and teachers as well as various Board level committees
- Cayuga language class at ACS (sem 2)
- Establish peer to peer mentoring activities
- Refine selection process for Student Advisory Group (application process)

**3. Collect, analyze, and report on data for self-identified Aboriginal students to inform targeted strategies for increasing Aboriginal student achievement and success.**

**Action:**

- FNMI Mentor will have regular meetings with guidance department staff to discuss, monitor and track academic progress of Self-Identified students.
- CI-FNMI: FNMI-focused collaborative inquiry at secondary level. (24 teachers participating in a First Nation Student Collaborative Inquiry Study – four half-days).
- Effective School Innovation Project (ESIP) FNMI Religion Department study.
- With updated student self-identification process, begin tracking identified FNMI student achievement to establish baseline data to refine strategies and develop new initiatives to close achievement gaps and improve education outcomes for FNMI students



**4. Increase First Nation, Métis, and Inuit student participation in elementary and secondary school programs and services that have proved to be effective.**

**Action:**

- FNMI Mentor will coordinate and implement a variety of culturally-relevant FNMI programs and services for all students [drumming, lacrosse training, FN book talks, arts (beading and dancing workshops, etc.).
- Approximately 1,100 students from Grades 3-6 from all three counties will participate in an excursion to Woodland Cultural Centre, which will include a museum tour and two workshops.
- Approximately 4 secondary school classes will participate in a tour of the Mohawk Institute/Residential School with their teacher who is participating in the CI-FNMI.

**5. Enhance the inclusion of First Nation, Métis, and Inuit students' needs and experiences in board and school initiatives that promote safe and accepting schools**

**Action:**

- FNMI students will have an increased visibility and opportunity to participate in native ceremonies and dancing throughout the school year.
- Assumption College School FNMI students will coordinate a "Truth and Reconciliation Ceremony/Celebration" to recognize and bring awareness to the significance of this historical event.
- All schools invited to voluntarily participate in "Orange Shirt Day" (September 30) to remember children who attended residential schools, "Red Shirt/Dress Day" (November 18) to remember lost and missing Aboriginal women, and "Rock Your Mocs Day" (November 17) to celebrate indigenous culture.
- FNMI Mentor will co-coordinate with guidance department a "Cultural Day" to celebrate FNMI history and culture in the spring.
- FNMI Student Advisory Group will design and create an FNMI cultural space within Assumption College School.

**6. Provide professional development opportunities that enable teachers and Board leaders to increase their knowledge and awareness of Aboriginal cultures, histories, traditions, and perspectives and enhance their capacity to support Aboriginal learners more effectively.**

**Action:**

- Offer opportunity for teachers involved in FNMI-CI study group and ACS's Religion Department (ESIP study) to attend four half-day sessions of learning (including trips to Six Nations, Woodland Cultural Centre, and the Mohawk Institute (Residential School))
- Principals/Vice-Principals to be in-serviced at fall and spring Principals' meetings re: information on the Mohawk Institute (facilitator: Rick Hill) and cultural competency training workshop.
- Praxis of Faith Series: an FNMI-focused evening for all Board employees (April 5, 2016). Guest speakers: Rick Hill and Ida Martin from Six Nations.
- Develop a teacher resource kit for each school to assist teachers in incorporating culturally appropriate pedagogy and resources into practice.

## REPORT TO THE BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Prepared by: Rosalin Dubois, Student Trustee  
Presented to: Board of Trustees  
Submitted on: October 25, 2016  
Submitted by: Chris N. Roehrig, Director of Education & Secretary

### STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

Public Session

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#### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Student Senate met on October 18, 2016.

#### **DEVELOPMENTS:**

Student Senate members continued discussion regarding a potential agenda for next year's September leadership retreat. The proposed agenda has been sent to each school's respective student council and staff advisors for feedback and will be finalized at the next meeting. Senators agreed that the goal of the retreat will be to encourage interscholastic discussion and collaboration. Student Senate also began planning for the upcoming February retreat. Senate has selected the theme "Love Tenderly" for the retreat in keeping with this year's Board spiritual theme. They will continue to plan for this event at the next meeting. Senators are also in the process of finding and selecting a guest speaker for the May leadership symposium.

Senate also discussed the recent presentations by Michael Chiasson, a motivational speaker who recently spoke to senior students at all three secondary schools on the importance of taking care of one another and finding purpose in life. Senators agreed that the presentation was touching, engaging and relevant, and that they were grateful for the opportunity to hear Michael's story.

#### **SCHOOL NEWS:**

Holy Trinity participated in the annual Young Canada Day at the Norfolk Fair event, involving all of the Norfolk County secondary schools. They led cheering throughout the event, and are very pleased with the level of school spirit and student participation for the event. They have also had success with the reception of their chaplaincy "God Squad" and an influx of new clubs such as a Scrabble club. They hosted a successful "buyout" event in support of the school football team. Holy Trinity's student council is currently planning their Halloween events, including allowing students to dress in orange and black or in costume on that day.

St. John's College has had a busy October. They held a successful homecoming weekend for current students, as well as for alumni, parents, and community members. This event included an elimination draw and a "Friday Night Lights" football game. St. John's also held a pep rally with fall-based games to encourage school spirit. Students are looking forward to the upcoming Green and White dance, as well as classroom Halloween events.

Assumption College School kicked off October with a successful Homecoming dance. They had the pleasure of hosting guest speaker Andy Thibodeau on "Self-Esteem Day" to talk about motivating and supporting each other. They also held an orange shirt day in support of Aboriginal students and to raise awareness of residential schools. Assumption's Student Council is excited to begin working with their new Grade 9 members. Students are looking forward to the Halloween dance and costume day, and the Halloween for Hunger food drive event to be held at the end of this month.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Student Trustee Report.

**2016-17**  
**Trustee Meetings and Events**

Date	Time	Meeting/Event	New / Revised
<b>October 25, 2016</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
October 27–29, 2016		When Faith Meets Pedagogy Conference	
November 2, 2016	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
November 3, 2016	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
November 5, 2016	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
November 9, 2016	1:00 pm	Catholic Education Advisory Meeting	
November 9, 2016	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg.	
November 15, 2016	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
November 15, 2016	2:30 pm	Legal Expenses Review Committee Mtg.	
<b>November 15, 2016</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
November 17, 2016	4:30 pm	Audit Committee Mtg.	NEW
November 22, 2016	3:30 pm	Communications and Information Technology Advisory Committee Mtg.	
<b>November 22, 2016</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
November 23, 2016	9:00 am	Council of Catholic Service Organizations Mtg.	NEW date (was Oct. 19)
November 29, 2016	7:00 pm	System-Wide Parent Councils Adobe Connect Session	
<b>December 6, 2016</b>	6:30 pm <b>7:00 pm</b>	Annual Meeting Mass (Bishop Dabrowski) <b>Annual Board Meeting</b>	
December 7, 2016	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
December 7, 2016	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg.	
December 8, 2016	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
December 9, 2016	9:00 am	Mental Health Steering Committee Mtg.	
December 10, 2016	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
<b>December 13, 2016</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
December 20, 2016	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
<i>December 26, 2016 -</i>	<i>January 6, 2017</i>	<b>CHRISTMAS BREAK</b>	
January 11, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
January 11, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. <i>(to be confirmed)</i>	
January 12, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
January 13-14, 2017	TBD	Trustee PD Seminar	
January 14, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
<b>January 17, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
January 24, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
<b>January 24, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
February 1, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
February 2, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
February 11, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
February 14, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
February 15, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. <i>(to be confirmed)</i>	
<b>February 21, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
February 22, 2017	1:00 pm	Catholic Education Advisory Committee Mtg.	
February 27, 2017	7:00 pm	Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Mtg.	
February 28, 2017	1:00 pm	STSBHN Governance Mtg.	
<b>February 28, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
March 1, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
March 2, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
March 3, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
March 7, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
March 8, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. <i>(to be confirmed)</i>	
<i>March 13-17, 2017</i>		<b>MARCH BREAK</b>	

Date	Time	Meeting/Event	New / Revised
<b>March 21, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
<b>March 28, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
March 29, 2017	9:00 am	Council of Catholic Service Organizations Mtg.	
April 5, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
April 6, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
April 7, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
April 11, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
April 11, 2017	7:00 pm	System-Wide Parent Council Adobe Connect Session	
April 12, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. ( <i>to be confirmed</i> )	
<b>April 18, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
April 25-27, 2017		Board Art Show (three locations)	
<b>April 25, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
April 27-29, 2017		OCSTA AGM (Toronto)	
April 30-May 5, 2017		<i>Catholic Education Week</i>	
May 2, 2017	6:00 pm	Celebration of the Arts – art viewing	
	6:30 pm	Celebration of the Arts - performances	
May 3, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
May 4, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
May 4, 2017	5:00 pm	Catholic Student Leadership Awards	
May 5, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
May 10, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. ( <i>to be confirmed</i> )	
May 15, 2017	1:00 pm	Catholic Education Advisory Committee Mtg.	
May 15, 2017	7:00 pm	Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Mtg.	
May 16, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
<b>May 16, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
<b>May 23, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
May 24, 2017	10:00 am	<i>Have a Go track meet at Assumption College (secondary) (rain date May 29)</i>	
May 30, 2017	1:00 pm	STSBHN Governance Mtg.	
May 31, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (@ Holy Trinity)	
June 1-3, 2017		CCSTA AGM	
June 1, 2017	1:00 pm	SAL Committee Mtg. (ACS) @ St. Mary CLC	
June 2, 2017	9:00 am	SAL Committee Mtg. (SJC) @ St. Mary CLC	
June 7, 2017	10:00 am	<i>Have a Go track meet at Assumption College (elementary) (rain date June 8)</i>	
June 13, 2017	10:00 am	SEAC Meeting	
June 14, 2017	3:00 pm	Executive Council Mtg. ( <i>to be confirmed</i> )	
<b>June 20, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Committee of the Whole</b>	
<b>June 27, 2017</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b>	
June 29, 2017	4:45 pm	Assumption College Graduation	
	6:30 pm	Holy Trinity Graduation	
	7:00 pm	St. John's Graduation	

Meetings scheduled at the Call of the Chair: Accommodations Committee, Audit Committee, Budget Committee, Communications and Information Technology Advisory Committee, Legal Expenses Review Committee, Mental Health Leadership Steering Committee, Policy Committee.