



**Inaugural Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 2, 2014 ♦ 7:00 p.m.
Norfolk Room**

Members: Trustees:

Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Carol Luciani, Bonnie McKinnon, Rick Petrella,
Kim Gubbels (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:

Chris N. Roehrig (Director of Education & Secretary), Tom Grice (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Jamie McKinnon, Michelle Shypula and Leslie Telfer (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting opened with a prayer read in unison.

1.2 Attendance and Welcome

Director Roehrig welcomed trustees, senior administration, and Father Tim Hingston to the meeting and noted that all trustees were in attendance.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the Inaugural Meeting of the Board of December 2, 2014.

Carried

2. Certification of Election Results by the Municipal Clerks

Director Roehrig read the official election results, as follows:

For the Corporation of the City of Brantford, Bill Chopp and Rick Petrella - declared

For the County of Brant, Dan Dignard – declared

For the County of Haldimand, Bonnie McKinnon – acclaimed

For the County of Norfolk, Cliff Casey and Carol Luciani - declared

He congratulated all trustees and thanked them for their commitment to Catholic education.

3. Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance

Trustees read and signed the Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance forms.

4. Appointment of Scrutineers

Director Roehrig appointed Superintendents of Education Tom Grice and Leslie Telfer as Scrutineers for the nomination and election of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board.



5. Nomination and Election of Chair

Director Roehrig requested that ballots for the nomination of the Chair of the Board be distributed. Trustee Petrella was nominated and agreed to let his name stand. Director Roehrig declared Trustee Petrella acclaimed to the position of Chair of the Board for the coming year.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board destroys all ballots in the nomination and election of Chair of the Board.

Carried

6. Nomination and Election of Vice Chair

Newly elected Chair Petrella assumed the Chair and requested that ballots for the nomination of the Vice Chair be distributed. Trustee Casey was nominated and agreed to let his name stand. Chair Petrella declared Trustee Casey acclaimed to the position of Vice Chair of the Board for the coming year.

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board destroys all ballots in the nomination and election of Vice Chair of the Board.

Carried

7. Appointment of Board Auditor

Superintendent Grice presented staff's recommendation that the Board continue to use the services of Millard, Rouse & Rosebrugh, Chartered Accountants LLP, as auditors.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the appointment of Millard, Rouse & Rosebrugh, Chartered Accountants, as auditors for the year ending August 31, 2015.

Carried

8. Inaugural Address by the Chair of the Board

Chair Petrella expressed his appreciation to fellow trustees for their support, congratulated Trustee Casey on his appointment as Vice Chair, and welcomed new trustees Carol Luciani and Bill Chopp to the Board. He reflected on past successes, where the Board is now, and challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. Chair Petrella commented that the Board will continue on its path of fiscal responsibility, balanced budgets, improved student achievement, school improvement projects, and enhanced communication with students, parents, staff and parishes. He expressed his commitment to looking at new and different ways of solving challenges and issues, while keeping students at the centre of the decision-making process and preserving the uniqueness of Catholic education.

9. Adjournment

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the Inaugural meeting of December 2, 2014.

Carried