SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Our Mission:
"In SGDSB we are learners. Everything we do is designed to help all students succeed and make a difference. We build positive places for learning and working… together".

Our Vision:
"Inspiring our students to succeed and make a difference".

Our Motto:
"Small schools make a difference".

Our Values:
"Character, Citizenship, Collaboration, Communication, Creativity and Critical Thinking".

Regular Board Meeting 2024/04

M I N U T E S

Monday, February 26, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

Videoconference & Teleconference

Microsoft Teams meeting
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Board Chair: *Pinky McRae* ***Director Designate:*** *Will Goodman*

Location: Videoconference & Teleconference *Recorder: G. Christianson*

PART I: Regular Board Meeting *Section (A): – (open to public): 6:30 p.m.*
PART II: Committee of the Whole Board *Section (B) In-Camera: – (closed to public) 8:34 p.m.*

1.0 Roll Call

Trustees	*Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)*										
	OS	*TC*	*VC*	*A*	*R*		*OS*	*TC*	*VC*	*A*	*R*
Brunskill, Dr. Megen			X			Nesbitt, Jason			X		
Cormier, Dr. Paul					X	Pristanski, Kal			X		
Jarvis, Allison			X			Michano, Julie					X
Liscomb, Pat				X		Hunter, Emeraude (Student)			X		
McRae, Pauline (Pinky)			X			Krause, Zoey (Student)			X		

Board Administrators	*Attendance: On-site (OS); Teleconference (TC); Videoconference (VC); Absent (A); Regrets (R)*				
	OS	*TC*	*VC*	*A*	*R*
Morden Cormier, Nicole: *Director of Education*					X
Fredrickson, Eric: *Superintendent of Education*			X		
Goodman, William: *Superintendent of Education*			X		
Marton, Alex: *Superintendent of Business*			X		
Leroux, Carole*: Superintendent of Education*			X		
Balog, Tara: *Assistant Superintendant*			X		
Brewster, Annick: *System Principal – Assistant Superintendent*			X		
Harris, Brent: *Manager of Financial Services*			X		
Muir, Gordon: *Manager of Plant Services/Transportation*			X		
Dee, Christine: *Team Lead – Payroll Services*			X		
Chouinard, Connie: *Team Lead – Business Services*			X		
Nault, Denis: *Manager of Human Resources*			X		
Lucas, Jay: *Coordinator of Information Technology Services*			X		
Kitchener, Nick: *Manager of Information Technology*			X		
Renaud, Deana: *Mental Health Manager*			X		
Bartlett, Shy-Anne: *Manager of Indigenous Education*					X
Christianson, GerriLynn: *Executive Assistant & Communications Officer*			X		
Zeleny, Lisa: *Executive Assistant*			X		

Acknowledgements
Superintendent of Education Eric Fredrickson provided a land acknowledgement for the Ancestral and Traditional Territories of the Indigenous people on whose lands we are gathering. We recognize and honour the contributions of the Indigenous peoples for they hold the knowledge, traditions, and history of the land.

The Superintendent provided an acknowledgement of Black History Month and he expressed the school boards commitment to continue our reflection and understanding of the legacy of Black History in Canada.

PART I: *Regular Board Meeting*	*Section (A): – (open to public): 6:30 p.m.*

2.0 Regular Meeting Call to Order

43/24
Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt *Second: Trustee A. Jarvis*
✓***That,*** *the Superior-Greenstone DSB Regular Board Meeting on Monday, February 26, 2024, be called to order at 6:37 p.m.*

Carried

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Agenda item 12.2.1 Report No. 33: Advocacy Day, was added to the agenda. The report was sent under separate cover and emailed to Trustees in advance of the meeting.

44/24
Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill *Second: Trustee K. Pristanski*
✓***That,*** *the agenda for the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2024/04 Regular Board Meeting, February 26, 2024, be accepted and approved as amended.*

Carried

4.0 Disclosures of Interest re: Open Session

There were no disclosures of interest.

5.0 Minutes: Board Meetings and Board Committee Meetings

5.1 Board Meeting Minutes

45/24
Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill *Second: Trustee A. Jarvis*
✓***That,*** *the minutes of the following Board Meeting be adopted as presented:*
1. Regular Board Meeting 2024/03: January 29, 2024;

Carried

5.2 Board Committee Meeting Minutes

5.2.1 Committee Meeting Minutes

46/24
Moved by: Trustee A. Jarvis *Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt*
✓***That,*** *the minutes of the following Board Committee meetings be adopted:*
1. Special Education Advisory Committee January 16, 2024
2. Indigenous Education Advisory Committee November 7, 2023

Carried

5.2.2 Board Policy Review Committee: February 6, 2024

47/24
Moved by: Trustee K. Pristanski *Second: Trustee M. Brunskill*
✓***That****, the Board accepts the recommendations outlined in the Board Policy Review Committee minutes of February 6, 2024, and approves as reviewed:*

- P – 516 Safe Arrivals Program
- P – 517 Early Identification *(Redundant Policy)*
- P – 540 Pediculosis (Head Lice)
- P – 720 Workplace Violence
- P – 717 Workplace Harassment and Human Rights

- P – 714 Criminal Background Checks
- P – 527 Voluntary Indigenous Student Self-Identification
- P – 306 Corporate Credit Cards
- P – 305 Internal Reviews
- P – 406 Snow Removal and Ice Control
- P – 706 Health and Safety
- P – 541 Concussion
- P – 508 Administration of Medication

to be posted to the Board website with an implementation date of February 27, 2024, and all of which shall supersede any previous policies.

Carried

6.0 Business Arising Out of the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7.0 Delegations and/or Presentations

7.1 Showcasing Learning: Manitouwadge Public School & Manitouwadge High School - Supporting Learning For All

The Director Designate Will Goodman provided an introduction to the video regarding the school/community fish hatchery program from the Manitouwadge Public School and Manitouwadge High School. The video highlighted the transformative learning experience for students.

7.2 Excellence in Education: Margaret Twomey Public School- Supporting the Learning of Every Student

Principal Cameron Craig provided a presentation that showcased the Margaret Twomey Public School and their focus on supporting the learning of every student. He discussed how collaborative relationships support student learning and how a strong home and school relationship provides ongoing support for learners. He discussed the use of the new assessment tools and how they have helped to identify student needs.

7.3 Report No. 23: Student Trustee Report

Student Trustees Emeraude Hunter and Zoey Krause provided a review of their report. They highlighted the many student engagement activities completed during January and February, and their attendance at the OSTA-AECO conference. The Student Senate welcomed new student senators from Marathon High School. Student Trustee Elections are scheduled to take place in April.

8.0 Reports and Matters for Decision

8.1 Board Committee Reports: (Statutory / Standing / Ad Hoc)

8.1.1 Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Report

The Director Designate W. Goodman provided a review of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting that took place on February 13, 2024. At the meeting, the Committee received a presentation from the Manager of Financial Services regarding the financial statements. The Committee also received a presentation regarding the PECS program and other various roles. The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

8.1.2 Board Policy Committee Report

Trustee Kal Pristanski acted as Chair of the February Board Policy Review Committee meeting. He provided a review of the meeting highlights that included the policies that have been posted for stakeholder review and the list of policies presented to the board during this meeting for approval. He encouraged Trustees to review the policies posted to provide any feedback. The next Board Policy Review Committee meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2024.

8.1.3 Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Report

The Director Designate W. Goodman provided a review of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting that took place on February 20, 2024. The committee agenda included the introduction of grad coaches at Marathon High School and Lake Superior High School and the review of the mental health data from the OurSchool survey. The Committee also discussed Jordan's Principle funding in collaboration with communities and received an update on the Truth and Reconciliation and Antiracism policies currently being drafted.

9.0 Reports of the Business / Negotiations Committee

Superintendent of Business: Alex Marton

9.1 Report No. 24: Board Estimate Process for 2024-2025

Superintendent Alex Marton provided a review of the Board Estimate Process report that outlines the scope and process for the development of the 2024-2025 school budget.

9.2 Report No. 25: Signing Officers of the Board

48/24

Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill Second: Trustee A. Jarvis

✓ ***That**, effective February 26, 2024, signing officers for Superior-Greenstone District School Board be any two of the following:*

- *Nicole Morden Cormier, Director of Education & Secretary to the Board*
- *Alex Marton, Superintendent of Business & Treasurer*
- *Eric Fredrickson, Superintendent of Education*
- *Will Goodman, Superintendent of Education*
- *Carole Leroux, Superintendent of Education*
- *Brent Harris, Manager of Financial Services*

Carried

10.0 Reports of the Director of Education

Director of Education: Nicole Morden Cormier
Director Designate: Will Goodman

10.1 Report No. 26: Director's Monthly Report: February 2024

The Director Designate W. Goodman highlighted that the February 2024 Director's Monthly Report showcased the work across our school district to support learning of every student.

10.2 Report No. 27: MYSP Engagements: Municipalities and First Nation Communities

The Director Designate provided a review of the report that highlights the engagement process being followed to seek input from Municipalities and First Nation Communities for the development of the new Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

10.3 Report No. 28: Proposed School Year Calendar 2024/2025

49/24

Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill Second: Trustee K. Pristanski

✓***That,** the Superior-Greenstone DSB having received Report No. 28: Proposed School Year Calendar 2024/2025, accepts the Calendar, and that, Administration is directed to forward the proposed Calendar to the Ministry of Education for its approval.*

Carried

10.4 Report No. 29: 2024 Graduation Dates and Times

The 2024 Graduation Dates and Times report was provided for information. Trustees will receive invitations from the school principals. Trustees are strongly encouraged to attend the secondary school graduation ceremonies within their wards.

11.0 Reports of the Education Committee

Superintendent of Education: Will Goodman
Superintendent of Education: Eric Fredrickson
Superintendent of Education: Carole Leroux
Assistant Superintendent: Tara Balog

11.1 Report No. 30: Early Years Portfolio Board Report

Early Years System Principal Amanda Gyori provided a presentation of the report and highlighted the key priorities for the early years portfolio. Welcome to kindergarten season.

11.2 Report No. 31:Graduation Rates 2021-2022

The Student Success System Principal Kyle Thomson provided a review of the report. He discussed the graduation rates published by the Ministry of Education. He highlighted the success students have achieved within a 5-year time frame to achieve graduation, the collaborative work between student success and mental health, as well as the continuing education program.

11.3 Report No. 32: SGDSB Mental Health Three Year Strategic Plan

Mental Health Manager Deana Renaud provided a review of the report. She highlighted the ways the school board has transformed mental health in education over the last 5 years. The new Mental Health Strategic Plan will guide the work over the next 3 years. Its development was centered around student voice, data from OurSchool survey and the Multi-Year Strategic Plan data collected from Future Design School.

12.0 New Business

Board Chair: Pinky McRae

12.1 Board Chair

12.1.1 Update: Minister and Board Chair Teleconference

Board Chair Pinky McRae discussed the agenda topics of the meeting that was held on February 6, 2024. The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2024.

12.1.2 OPSBA Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium
April 25 & 26, 2024 Toronto

This has been added to the agenda a reminder. Trustees interested in attending are asked to please email the Director or the Executive Assistant. The Trustee PD expenses report will be provided at the March Board meeting and Trustees can make plans for professional development at that time. Trustees were requested to submit any outstanding travel expenses as soon as possible, to allow for the preparation of this report. Trustee Nesbitt advised that he would be willing to attend the OPSBA Labour Relations and Human Resources Symposium, as it is taking place in conjunction with the Board of Directors meeting in April.

12.2 Trustee Associations and Other Boards

12.2.1 Report No. 33: Advocacy Day

Trustee Allison Jarvis provided a review of the report. She advised that she is attending the upcoming OPSBA Board of Directors meeting in place of Trustee Nesbitt. She requested that Trustees contact her with any matters they wish to have brought forward.

12.3 Ministry Updates for Trustees

The Board Chair provided an introduction of this new item that will be regularly added to the agenda. The Senior Leadership team shared information regarding recent Ministry of Education updates. The group discussed the various areas where additional advocacy is recommended.

12.4 Future Board Meeting Agenda Items

Nil.

13.0 Notice of Motion

Nil.

14.0 Observer Comments

Nil.

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

15.1 Agenda: Committee of the Whole Board – Closed

50/24
Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill Second: Trustee J. Nesbitt
✓***That,*** *the Superior-Greenstone DSB go into a Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:34 p.m. and that this portion be closed to the public.*

Carried

15.2 Rise and Report from Closed Session

51/24
Moved by: Trustee M. Brunskill Second: Trustee A. Jarvis
✓***That,*** *the Superior-Greenstone DSB rise and report from the Committee of the Whole Board Section B (Closed Session) at 8:39 p.m. and that this portion be open to the public.*

Carried

16.0 Report of the Committee of the Whole Closed Section B

16.1 ***52/24***
Moved by: Trustee K. Pristanski Second: Trustee A. Jarvis
✓***That,*** *the Superior-Greenstone DSB Committee of the Whole, In-Camera Section B (Closed) Reports be adopted, including the confidential minutes from the meeting held as:*
1. *Regular Board 2024/03: January 29, 2024*

Carried

16.2 Other Recommendations from Committee of the Whole Closed Session
Nil.

17.0 Adjournment

53/24
Moved by: Trustee J. Nesbitt Second: Trustee A. Jarvis
✓***That,*** *the Superior-Greenstone DSB 2024/03 Regular Board Meeting, Monday, February 26, 2024 adjourn at 8:40, p.m.*

Carried

2024 - Board Meetings *Videoconference and/or Designated Site indicated in schedule. Time 6:30 p.m.*		
Monday, March 25, 2024		
Monday, April 8, 2024 **Special Board Meeting*	Monday, April 29, 2024	Monday, May 27, 2024 **Designate Site: Dorion Public School*
Monday, June 24, 2024	Monday, July 15, 2024	Monday, August 26, 2024
Monday, September 16, 2024 **Designate Site: Lake Superior High School*	Monday, October 21, 2024	Monday, November 18, 2024 (1:00 p.m.) **Designate Site: Board Office*
Monday, December 2, 2024		

SUPERIOR-GREENSTONE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Regular Board Meeting 2024/04
Committee of the Whole Board: Closed Session.

Monday, February 26, 2024

Videoconference and Teleconference

T O P I C S

Board Chair: *Pinky McRae*	***Director Designate:*** *Will Goodman*
Location: Videoconference & Teleconference	*Recorder: G. Christianson*

PART II: Committee of Whole Board – Closed	*Section (B): In-Camera 8:34 p.m.*

1.0 Disclosure of Interest: re Closed Session

2.0 Approve Agenda: Committee of the Whole In-Camera (Closed)

3.0 In-Camera (closed) Meeting Minutes
1. Regular Board Meeting 2024/03 January 29, 2024

4.0 Personnel Item A: Negotiations Update

Regular Board Meeting 2024-04

Monday, February 26, 2024

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APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ , 2024

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SECRETARY

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CHAIR