

**Minutes of the Public Session Organizational Board Meeting of the Near North District School Board held**



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Ashley St. Pierre, Chair

Craig Myles, Director of Education

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The November 12, 2024 **Public Session Organizational Board Meeting** of the Near North District School Board was held in person at the Head Office and via a Zoom video and/or teleconference platform.

**Trustees Present:**

Ashley St. Pierre  
Bill Steer ®  
Julie Bertram  
Caren Gagne  
Chantal Phillips  
Howard Wesley  
Jeanie Fuscaldo  
Louise Sargent  
Shane Hall ®  
Riley Trudeau, Student Trustee

**Administrative Staff Present:**

Craig Myles, Director of Education  
Gay Smylie, Superintendent  
Mel Gray, Superintendent ®  
Timothy Graves, Superintendent ®  
Seija Van Haesendonck, Superintendent of Business  
Glenn Morrison, Manager  
Maureen Egan, Executive Assistant  
Deb Bartlett, Communications  
Liana Blaskievich, Officer Corporate Affairs

**Regrets:** Nanak Sidhu, Student Trustee

**Other:**  
Staff, media, P. Robinson

® attended remotely via Zoom video or audio conference

**1.0 Call to Order**

Director Myles called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Members of the public were welcomed in person and virtually.

**1.1 Land Acknowledgement**

Director Myles read the Land Acknowledgement.

**1.2 Attendance**

Attendance indicated that 10 trustees were present for the meeting, including one student trustee.

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

Motion: 24-11-01, A. St. Pierre/H. Wesley

That the agenda for the Organizational Board meeting of November 12, 2024 be approved. – CARRIED

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1.4 Naming of the Scrutineers

Motion: 24-11-02, L. Sargent/J.Fuscaldo

That the Seija Van Haesendonck and Maureen Egan be appointed scrutineers. -  
CARRIED

**2.0 Election of Chair**

2.1 Call for Nominations

Trustee Steer nominated Trustee St. Pierre.

Motion: 24-11-03, C. Gagne/H.Wesley

That nominations be closed. – CARRIED

2.2 Announcement of the Chair

Motion: 24-11-04, J. Fuscaldo/C.Phillips

That Ashley St. Pierre be acclaimed as Chair of the NNDSB for a one-year term, effective immediately and lasting until the next annual organizational meeting. – CARRIED

2.3 In-Coming Chair's Remarks

Chair St. Pierre thanked Trustee Steer for the nomination and the trustees for their support to her in this role. She noted that it is an honour to serve as Chair and looks forward to a successful year of leadership and growth.

**3.0 Election of Vice Chair**

3.1 Call for Nominations

Trustee Fuscaldo nominated Trustee Wesley.

Motion: 24-11-05, C. Phillips/C. Gagne

That nominations be closed. – CARRIED

3.2 Announcement of the Vice-Chair

Motion: 24-11-06, J. Fuscaldo/L.Sargent

That Howard Wesley be acclaimed as Vice-Chair of the NNDSB for a one-year term, effective immediately and lasting until the next annual organizational meeting. –  
CARRIED

3.3 In-Coming Vice-Chair's Remarks

Vice-Chair Wesley thanked Trustee Fuscaldo for the nomination and the board for their support.

**4.0 Membership on Board Committees**

Motion: 24-11-07, L. Sargent/C.Phillips

That the membership on the Board Committees be approved. – CARRIED

**5.0 Environment Committee Membership**

Motion: 24-11-08, J. Fuscaldo, J. Bertram

That the membership on the Environment Committee be approved as: J. Fuscaldo, B. Steer, J. Bertram, H. Wesley, C. Gagne (alternate). – CARRIED

**6.0 Adjournment**

Motion: 24-11-09 L.Sargent/J.Bertram

That on November 12, 2024 we do now adjourn at 6:40 pm. – CARRIED

  
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**Ashley St. Pierre**  
 Chair

  
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**Craig Myles**  
 Director

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

<b>24-11-01</b> A.St.Pierre H.Wesley	That the agenda for the Organizational Board meeting of November 12, 2024 be approved - CARRIED
<b>24-11-02</b> L.Sargent C.Gagne	That the Seija Van Haesendonck and Maureen Egan be appointed scrutineers. - CARRIED
<b>24-11-03</b> C.Gagne H.Wesley	That nominations be closed. – CARRIED.
<b>24-11-04</b> J.Fuscaldo C.Phillips	That Ashley St. Pierre be acclaimed as Chair of the NNDSB for a one-year term, effective immediately and lasting until the next annual organizational meeting. – CARRIED
<b>24-11-05</b> C.Phillips C.Gagne	That nominations be closed. - CARRIED
<b>24-11-06</b> J.Fuscaldo L.Sargent	That Howard Wesley be acclaimed as Vice-Chair of the NNDSB for a one-year term, effective immediately and lasting until the next annual organizational meeting. - CARRIED

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<b>24-11-08</b> J.Fuscaldo J. Bertram	That the membership on the Environment Committee be approved as: J. Fuscaldo, B. Steer, J. Bertram, H. Wesley, C. Gagne (alternate). – CARRIED
<b>24-11-09</b> L.Sargent J. Bertram	That on November 12, 2024 we do now adjourn at 6:40 pm. – CARRIED