



REPORT TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES August 28, 2018

Deb Crawford, Director of Education

SUBJECT: Property Report – St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna
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BACKGROUND:

In February 2018 Board staff became aware that the property adjacent to St. Joseph Catholic School in Corunna was for sale. The property size is 4.55 acres.

Board staff have assessed the need to purchase this property and concluded that it is in the best interests of the Board to make the purchase. The Board requires this property to ensure adequate parking for the school community. In addition, the effect of Nova Chemicals large-scale investments in the Sarnia-Lambton are unknown at this time and may require the Board to install portables if enrolment at this school were to increase. The current school yard is not considered suitable for placement of portables.

An agreement of purchase and sale has been signed for the purchase price of \$225,000 with the following conditions to be waived by August 31, 2018.

- 1) The completion of a satisfactory review by the Board of the physical condition of the property, including but not limited to any environmental or geotechnical assessments or reports; and
- 2) obtaining approval of the Board of Trustees.

The purchase will be made using accumulated surplus from prior years.

A Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment was completed and a report was provided on July 6, 2018. The assessment does not identify any environmental or geotechnical issues on this site. Based on the results of this assessment and staff knowledge of the history of this property Board staff have determined that no further assessments are required to waive the first condition.

In order to waive the conditions, the Board of Trustees approval is required.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board receive the report: *Property Report – St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna*, for information.

That the St. Clair Catholic District School Board approve the purchase of 4.55 acres of property located adjacent to St. Joseph Catholic School, Corunna for \$225,000 using accumulated surplus funds.