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CAROL BRYDEN ACCLAIMED CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR 2011; ANITA LABADIE ELECTED AS VICE CHAIR

The Inaugural Meeting of the Board of Trustees, which will serve St. Clair Catholic for the 2010 – 2014 term, was held tonight. Carol Bryden and Anita Labadie have traded roles. Mrs. Bryden, the immediate past Vice Chair has been acclaimed to the position of Chair of the Board for 2011; Anita Labadie, immediate past Chair, has been elected to the position of Vice Chair of the Board.

In her inaugural address, Mrs. Bryden praised the Board of Trustees and senior administration of St. Clair Catholic.

“Our Board has demonstrated that we can and do provide excellent Catholic education for our students. Our EQAO scores continue to be well above the province,” said Mrs. Bryden.

“But our mission is even greater than academic excellence. As a Catholic school board, we help our students to become faith-filled, moral and just leaders in our parishes, communities and in our country,” she said.

Mrs. Bryden was first elected as a Trustee in 2006. She is a retired principal of Catholic Curriculum Services with the St. Clair Catholic District School Board, having served as an educator for 32 years.

Mrs. Labadie has been a Catholic Trustee for 19 years. She was first elected to the former Kent County Roman Catholic Separate School Board in 1991.

The inaugural meeting included the swearing in of all Trustees elected or acclaimed in the October municipal election, including John Fontaine, St. Clair Catholic’s newest Trustee, who represents ratepayers in north and central Lambton. Mr. Fontaine replaces Trustee Ross Daly, who stepped down after serving as a Trustee for 10 years.

The evening began with Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, which was celebrated by Father Greg Bonin, of the Holy Redeemer Parish Cluster. Following Mass, the Trustees and members of the Board’s senior administration processed to the Catholic Education Centre, led by pipers from Ursuline College. Father Greg also presided over the swearing in of the Trustees and the declaration of their oaths of allegiance.

Elections for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair are held annually at the Board’s December meeting. Their term of office expires November 30, 2011.