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BOARD OF TRUSTEES PASSES \$109,328,224 BUDGET FOR 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL YEAR

St. Clair Catholic District School Board Trustees have passed a balanced budget of \$109,328,224 for the 2011 – 2012 school year. The budget is in compliance with all Ministry of Education reporting requirements and meets all accountability and funding envelope regulations.

Trustees approved the transfer of \$193,969 from the Board's accumulated surplus, to balance the budget.

"I want to thank Associate Director and Treasurer Jim McKenzie and his staff for their tremendous work on the budget," says Paul Wubben, Director of Education.

"Through careful and strategic management of our resources and fiscal responsibility for the past 12 years, we are able to go forward with a budget that meets the needs of our students even as funding, which is tied to enrolment, declines," says Mr. Wubben.

There will be a total reduction of 41.7 staff positions in the 2011-2012 budget. This includes a reduction of 16.4 support staff positions across the system; however, due to retirements and temporary assignments there will be no job losses. There will also be a reduction of 25.3 teaching positions; however, due to retirements, there will be no layoffs.