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Highlights of the inaugural meeting and the fourth regular meeting of the *Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est (CSDNE)*

North Bay, December 18, 2007 –The *Conseil scolaire public du Nord-Est de l'Ontario* (CSDNE) held its inaugural meeting and the fourth regular meeting of the school year on December 7 and 8, at *École publique Jeunesse Active*, in Sturgeon Falls.

During the inaugural meeting, Board members elected their chair and vice-chairs. Mr. Robert Poirier was reelected chair of the Board while Mrs. Nicole Arcand was elected first vice-chair and Mr. Jules Duchesne second vice-chair.

Following changes to the Education Act of Ontario concerning the suspension and expulsion of students, the Board decided to revise its existing policies relating to school security. The CSDNE will develop and implement policies on bullying, including prevention and intervention strategies that will take effect no later than February 1, 2008. In addition, the Board is committed to offering an educational program to students who have been suspended for a long period (more than five school days) so that they may continue their studies.

It should be noted that the date of the next regular meeting of the CSDNE was changed to January 22, 2008, by videoconference. For more information on the regular meetings of the CSDNE, please dial 472.3443 or 1.888.591.5656, ext. 238.

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