

# MINUTES

## Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 7:00 p.m.  
CEC - Boardroom

Trustees:	Luz del Rosario	Chair
	Thomas Thomas	Vice-Chair
	Brea Corbet	Trustee
	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi	Trustee
	Darryl D'Souza	Trustee
	Bruno Iannicca	Trustee
	Mario Pascucci	Trustee
	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Anisha Thomas	Trustee
	Herman Vilorio	Trustee
	Shawn Xaviour	Trustee
	Leroy Onuoha	Student Trustee
	Dea Sokoli	Student Trustee
Staff:	Marianne Mazzorato, Ed.D.	Director of Education, Secretary to the Board
	David Amaral	Associate Director, Instructional Services
	Daniel Del Bianco	Associate Director, Corporate Services
	Julie Cherepacha	Executive Superintendent, Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
	Wayne Brunton	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Silvana Gos	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Brian Hester	Superintendent, Financial Services
	Jodi Kuran	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Martine Lewis	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Cairine MacDonald	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Carmel Murphy	Superintendent, Program and Learning Services
	Lucy Papaloni	Superintendent, Special Education and Learning Services
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A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Chair Luz del Rosario called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. National Anthem

The Chair acknowledged and thanked Martina Ortiz-Luis, Kibwe Thomas and Sole Power Productions for permission to use their recorded version of the national anthem.

3. Opening Prayer - Trustee Brea Corbet led the Opening Prayer.

4. Land Acknowledgment - Trustee Stefano Pascucci

5. Approval of Agenda

Distributed M4b., addition of Motion H3, and addition of an In Camera Private Session - Trustees Only.

Motion 997 (23-2-28)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

a. Approval of Calendar Items - Nil

6. Declaration of Interest - Nil

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, January 31, 2023

Motion 998 (23-2-28)

Moved by Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 31, 2023, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Attached.

B. Pastor's Remarks: Video Presentation by Monsignor Shiels - The First Beatitude

C. Awards and Presentations - Nil

D. Delegations

1. EQAO and Enrolment - Natalie Neal

2. Indigenous Student Trustee - Melanie Cormier

Questions asked by trustees to staff:

1. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: What is holding us back?







options should be open to local businesses, that they can support their community whilst also having foods in schools that meet the diverse palates in our schools.

c. Good News Items

Trustee Mario Pascucci

Wards 1 and 3

On January 28,

5. Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, November 8, 2022
6. Minutes of the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee Meeting, October 18, 2022

G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration for Receipt

1. Retirement - G. Hilton, Principal

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Principal Greg Hilton.

Greg came to Dufferin-Peel in 1995 and over his 28 years with DPCDSB has served as teacher, vice-principal, and principal. He began his career at Our Lady of the Airways CES and then transferred to St. Catherine of Siena CES. From there he responded to the call and became a vice-principal at St. Sebastian CES and then at St. Philip CES. After two years he became principal of St. Philip CES, then Metro Andrei CES, and then moved to where he is





5. THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE

Trustee Bruno Iannicca: The intention was always to host it through Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) to reach the broadest audience.

4. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: My understanding is that student photos were done differently this year, photographers took student and class photos and then emailed to students' parents/guardians. Can staff confirm why there is a change to the delivery of photos?

Director Mazzorato: We will follow up.

5. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: The subject of increased photography fees has been raised at Catholic School Councils (CSC). Are we tracking year over year pricing?

Superintendent Hester: We have a pre-qualified list of vendors for schools to review and determine best choice based on the needs of the community. We can do a survey to see how costs compare.

6. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Do photographers complete a criminal reference check (CRC)?

Superintendent Hester: All vendors must complete a CRC annually through local police.

7. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff ask administrators to consult with their CSC when they choose a photographer?

Superintendent Hester: We can remind administrators that they might consult with CSC. These are not a mandatory service for schools and students to participate in, unlike school uniforms; families can choose to not purchase packages.

8. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: Is it possible to send a framework for CSC to use for the public budget consultation on April 26?

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha: We will provide that to adm

Superintendent Hester: There is no requirement to use a specific bank. Service fees vary depending on the institution used, noting that some accounts have been in place for a long time. We are working behind the scenes with financial institutions that have many of our accounts to see if there are less expensive options available. We do consult with other boards, and we all face similar issues. If an administrator would like to discuss options, we would be pleased to assist.

12. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Have MPAC responded to our request to present to the Board of Trustees?

Associate Director Del Bianco: We are working with MPAC and will provide a further update as soon as available.

13. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: Commented that the default of taxes was again raised at OCSTA, and we will continue to discuss the numerous errors that have been raised.

14. Trustee Herman Vilorio: To offset bank charges in the past schools invested funds to earn interest.

Superintendent Hester: The point of CSC or school generated funds (SGF) is to not have a large amount of funds at any one time. Investment options are not ideal as it requires funds to be held for a given amount of time, and we encourage that funds raised are not held and that they are to be spent during the year accumulated.

15. Trustee Brea Corbet: 1200000912 0 612 792 reW\*BT/F1 11.04 Tf1 0 0 1 108.02 419.83 Tm0 g0 GTe TJE,9(



Superintendent Hester: If there are specific examples of concern, we are always looking for feedback and encourage administrators to contact us so that we can deal with any challenges.

27. Trustee Thomas Thomas: Can staff provide the status of the field request to the Ministry regarding Ascension of Our Lord CSS?

Superintendent Thomas: We have submitted the request to the Ministry. The Ministry staff have asked that we follow up with a letter from the city of Mississauga in support. It is in process and once it is received the request will be expediated to the Minister of Education.

28. Trustee Thomas Thomas: Can staff provide the status of the field request to the Ministry regarding St. Edmund Campion CSS?

Superintendent Thomas: Similar to Ascension of Our Lord CSS, we were requested to provide a letter of support by the city of Brampton, which we have received. We will submit both letters of support at the same time.

29. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Last year we added the signage at schools and facilities regarding respecting staff and not all are abiding by these guidelines. Is it possible to have our Counsel provide letters to parents/guardians when necessary?

Director Mazzorato: We will check in with administrators to see if this is on the uptick and determine if next steps are necessary.

30. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Meetings before meetings are difficult to attend. Can we move some of the information sharing into committee meetings?

Director Mazzorato: Thank you for the feedback and we will be more sensitive to scheduling meetings.

31. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: We are providing latitude to students in submitting their work in response to challenges and gaps due to the pandemic, in university, college or in the workforce they will not have these allowances, are we doing a disservice to our students?

Associate Director Amaral: Our hope would be that students would be supported by their own individual needs. For instance, if they are late every day, we would hope and expect that staff would unpack the reason and support as needed. Through Instructional Council we will review the integrity of the course work and work expectations.

32. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff ensure that the COVID signage is current in our schools and facilities?

Director Mazzorato: We can review.

33. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Are delegates aware of the rules and expectations of delegating?

Director Mazzorato: They are aware of the rules, it is a matter of enforcement. We will get a new time clock.

34. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: At Cardinal Ambrozic CSS can we put in portables to increase the enrolment?

Associate Director Del Bianco: At this particular school there is not enough physical space to add portables.

35. Trustee Herman Vilorio: The Retreat Program started by John Watt costs \$30 (\$20 from the student and \$10 from the board). If student fees are optional the retreat and the yearbook are in jeopardy. The yearbook takes a commitment at the beginning of the school year to produce a yearbook in June.

Director Mazzorato: We must not hold out or delay enrolment because Student Activity Fees are

43. Student Trustee Dea Sokoli: We would like to request that Student Senate engages in the plans for the March for Life.

Associate Director Amaral: We can include Student Senate.

Motion 1002 (23-2-28)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Brea Corbet

MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING TO COMPLETE THE AGENDA, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

L. Declared Interest Items - Nil

M. In Camera Session

Motion 1003 (23-2-28)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN CAMERA MEETING IN RESPECT OF APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES AND RECEIPT OF IN CAMERA COMMITTEE MINUTES, PERSONNEL MATTER, RECEIPT OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS AND LETTER RECEIVED FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND AN IN CAMERA PRIVATE SESSION TRUSTEES ONLY, WITH REFERENCE TO THE CRITERIA SET OUT ABOVE.

CARRIED

N. Report from In Camera

Approval of In Camera Board Minutes, Receipt of In Camera Committee Minutes, Verbal Report Personnel Matter, Receipt of Administrative Appointments and Transfers, letter received from the Ministry of Education and a Personnel Matter In Camera Private Session Trustees Only.

O. Future Mee





		<p>other relevant information to be shared with a school community, it would be important to bring it forward for discussion. Information that is important for one or more school communities is most likely important for all communities and would be addressed through the PRO grant funding.</p> <p>xAll professional development and/or guest speaker arrangements adhere to DPCDSB policy and GAP including alignment to the external presenter process.</p>
Q 2	<p>Trustee Bruno Iannicca: I have been trying to put together another human trafficking presentation with the assistance of senior staff and Superintendent Brunton. The date has not been established. This presentation will be different as we have secured two individuals who have the lived experience. The presentation will be person and available virtually as well. We know that these presentations have helped educate families. I know that we do discuss and have available resources for secondary students, can staff advise if this is also available to elementary students?</p>	<p>xPD on human trafficking was provided to all staff on the November PD day and is still available on the PD portal this includes links to resources and a survivor perspective.</p> <p>xThe new Gap 115 and Policy 39 Keeping students safe went to all staff.</p> <p>xClassroom presentations are done from Grades 7 to 12 co-facilitated by trained support personnel: SW and CYW and Elizabeth Fry Society by request.</p> <p>xThe response protocol and tip sheet for identification is available to all staff and is on the Support Services Special Education and Learning Services Portal.</p> <p>xThe curriculum for Anti-Human Trafficking for every classroom Grades 1 to 12 is currently under review and will be available in the new school year.</p> <p>xThe parent/guardian tip sheet and information is available to all parents on the board website.</p> <p>xParent presentations are available to all schools upon request co-facilitated by support staff CYW Social Workers with the Elizabeth Fry Society.</p> <p>xAdditionally in secondary schools there are prevention groups upon request again with our support staff and the Elizabeth Society.</p>

Q 4 Trustee Bruno Iannicca:  
My understanding is that student photos were done differently this year, photographers took student and

		<p>electronically or hard copy determined from the packages purchased.</p> <p>As always communicated with schools and administration, if there is any concern or issue that arises with a vendor then they should contact Supply Chain for assistance.</p>
Q 5	<p>Trustee Shawn Xaviour:</p> <p>The subject of increased photography fees has been raised at Catholic School Councils (CSC). Are we tracking year over year pricing?</p>	<p>DPCDSB currently has four (4) <del>pre</del> qualified photography vendors. The vendors were awarded based on lowest qualified bids. Price increases have occurred for photography as compared to pre COVID. This is reflective in all goods and services.</p>
Q 7	<p>Trustee Stefano Pascucci:</p> <p>Can staff ask administrators to consult with their CSC when they choose a photographer?</p>	<p>A reminder to administrators was communicated during the Director's webcast on March 1, 2023.</p>
Q 8	<p>Trustee Shawn Xaviour:</p> <p>Is it possible to send a framework for CSC to use for the public budget consultation on April 26?</p>	<p>The date/time for the Public Budget Consultation session has been sent to schools to share with the</p>

	<p>cost of \$65, and that the fee increases <del>is not</del> consistent across all DPCDSB secondary schools. <del>Spis</del> days used to be incorporated into the Activity Fee, however, increasingly more often schools are charging for student council and school events. Can staff provide clarity?</p>	<p>were just starting to see a return to regular <del>Spis</del> settings from COVID.</p> <p>xAt the April 20, 2021 Board <del>By</del> Law/Policies Review Committee Meeting, Policy 8.08: Secondary Students Compulsory Day Retreat was brought forward for review and amendment. This included GAP 531.00: Fees for Learning Materials and Activities</p> <p>xThe committee recommended <del>approval</del> approval of the GAP changes that would reflect \$30 activities portion, \$30 retreat portion and the remaining portion would be directed to student council. In total, any new fee should not exceed \$75.</p> <p>xIf a school has incorrectly noted the breakdown of the Student Activity Fee, we will follow <del>up</del> up with the school.</p>
Q 17	<p>Trustee Brea Corbet: Given that the Student Activity Fee is voluntary, I'm concerned to see a school email parents/guardians indicating 'Parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to have students select courses as soon as possible and make their activity fee payment for the \$75.00 to confirm the student's registration for next school year' This appears to indicate that registration is not complete unless the fee is paid.</p>	<p>A reminder to administrators was communicated during the Director's webcast on March 1, 2023.</p>
Q 19	<p>Student Trustee Dea Sokoli: Some schools have not allowed civics <del>day</del> if funds have been collected, how is this possible?</p>	<p>pending</p>

