

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
Boardroom, Catholic Education Centre

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| Trustees: | Luz del Rosario | Chair |
| | Thomas Thomas | Vice-Chair |
| | Brea Corbet | Trustee |
| | Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi | Trustee |
| | Darryl D'Souza | Trustee |
| | Bruno Iannicca | |
| Regrets: | Shawn Xaviour | Student Trustee |
| | Herman Vilorio | Trustee |
| | Bailey Clyne | Trustee |
| Staff: | Marianne Mazzorato, Ed.D. | Indigenous Student Trustee |

feel about Math and then students asked Assistant Superintendent Wendling questions.

On February 29, we had the opportunity to attend a Mental Health Advisory Committee meeting where two members of our Student Senate presented a report and highlighted school based initiatives. During the meeting it was announced that a follow-up _____ will be held in April for each Family of Schools. This was a recommendation from the Student Senate and the Mental Health champions. We are extremely grateful for this opportunity to reconvene with the elementary students to see how they have put their plans into action over the past few months.

March 1 marked Zero Discrimination Day, our Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) working group collaborated successfully to create an Instagram video that spreads awareness of discrimination. The video demonstrates unity and how we stand together for diversity. Our Student Senate EDI Working Group also designed social media posts for Black Mental Health Week, and for International Women's Day to show solidarity.

c. Good News Reports

Mario Pascucci

Mississauga Wards 1 & 3

St. Basil Catholic Elementary School (CES) received a _____ from the City of Mississauga for their outstanding leadership demonstrated in the field of active transportation and in promoting school zone safety. The enthusiasm and dedication of the school community: staff, students, parents/guardians and volunteers have exhibited and set an example for others to follow.

Luz del Rosario

Mississauga Ward 6 & 11

DPCDSB Skilled Trades and Technology Students Showcase their Skills

Hosted by: Father Michael Goetz Catholic Secondary School (CSS)

On March 6 over 230 secondary students competed in various trades-related and technology events. This included over 50 learners with differing abilities competing in Interview, Coding, Data Input and Job Demonstration Skills. Students who won Gold medals are now qualified to proceed to the Provincial Skills Competition on May 7 at the Toronto Congress Centre. Please see Appendix 1 for a list of Gold Medal Winners. Congratulations to all students who participated.

Special thanks to the Program Department headed by Superintendent Carmel Murphy, our Coordinators Irene Mota and Donna Indrakumaran, all the teachers and administrators of our secondary schools who encouraged these students, and to Father Michael Goetz CSS Principal Sharon Allegretto, Vice-Principals, Kristen Priestner and Ekwy Odozor for hosting this competition.

St. Marcellinus CSS -

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J. Questions Asked by Trustees

1. Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi: I have had a parent/guardian question if there are any plans to build a secondary school in Orangeville?

Superintendent Thomas: School boards can apply for capital funding as part of the Ministry of Education (Ministry) Capital Priorities program. There are specific parameters when applying for funding. First, we need to present a business case that demonstrates sufficient sustainability for long term enrolment and that the school would be fully occupied on opening. Unfortunately, there are not sufficient numbers in Orangeville to build a secondary school, the minimum requirement is about 1,000 students. The students of Orangeville and Dufferin county are provided transportation to Robert F. Hall CSS. We continue to monitor numbers as there is slow growth in Orangeville.

2. Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi: I understand that administration has decided that this year there will be no set _____ or flying of the pro-life flags; and that educators will still be bringing students to Ottawa for the March for Life. I would like to know how the board will support this important event. I attended last year when DPCDSB students led the thousands who marched, it was a great educational experience. I would be pleased to volunteer to supervise students and I know there are many certified teachers that would supervise as well.

Director Mazzorato: Dufferin-Peel absolutely intends to recognize _____ .

3. Trustee Brea Corbet: Regarding Our Lady of Mount Carmel CSS, at the time the school was built, air conditioning for the school gym was not included. Unfortunately, this is a safety issue. Can our Facilities Department prioritize the air conditioning?

Superintendent Thomas: This has been identified as a priority project for 2024.

4. Trustee Brea Corbet: The school's kitchen and tech areas are also without air conditioning. Can this work be included when the gymnasium is done? This would ensure the school is fully air conditioned.

Superintendent Thomas: A feasibility study will be done. We will do our best this year, if it cannot be completed this year, the work will be done next year.

5. Trustee Brea Corbet: Our Lady of Mount Carmel CSS has 10 portables that have not been removed. Can staff comment?

Superintendent Thomas: My understanding is that these portables are on the priority list.

6. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Thank you to the Plant Department for their work on removing the skunks under the portables at Mary Fix Catholic Elementary School (CES). The school was closed for two days to deal with the matter. The staff, students and community are very appreciative.

How do we know how well our online students are doing? Can staff comment on the absenteeism for online students?

Superintendent Murphy: Online students are put through the same rigors as in-class students. They have tests and assignments, and their results are shared with the students and discussed to see how they can improve. We will be looking at reports cards and EQAO data to assess and compare if there are any discrepancies in terms of overall results. Support is provided to online

liturgy, discussion time and a survey will be distributed to the elementary students. They will share the survey with their peers for input, and then the group will reconvene to review the survey findings.

K. Declared Interest Items - Nil

L. In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole

Motion 1192 (24-03-19)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOVE INTO A CLOSED MEETING AS DISCUSSIONS WILL INVOLVE THE DISCLOSURE OF INTIMATE, PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE, OR AN EMPLOYEE.

CARRIED

M. Report from the In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole

The Committee of the Whole Received In Camera Board Minutes from February 27, 2024. There were Questions Asked by Trustees of an In Camera Nature, and there are Recommended Motions to the Board of Trustees to consider.

Motion 1193 (24-03-19)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION AS OUTLINED IN REPORT L 5 B.

CARRIED

Motion 1194 (24-03-19)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD RATIFY THE CENTRAL TERMS CONTAINED WITHIN THE MEMORANDUM OF SETTLEMENT AND ATTACHED APPENDICES, DATED MARCH 5, 2024, MADE BETWEEN THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION AND THE ONTARIO ENGLISH CATHOLIC TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION AND AGREED TO BY THE CROWN. FURTHER THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE CENTRAL TERMS BE REPORTED TO OCSTA.

CARRIED

N. Future Meetings

April 23, 2024

May 28, 2024

June 18, 2024

O. Adjournment

Motion 1195 (24-03-19)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:03 P.M.

CARRIED

Business Arising from		
	<p>Trustee Darryl D'Souza: In the script that is used by the Discipline Committee, it states that St. Oscar Romero CSS is an expulsion school, can staff comment?</p>	<p>Staff have updated the report template and script to clarify that a student who is being recommended for expulsion, if expelled from all schools of the Board, will be assigned "to the New Directions Program delivered through St. Oscar Romero Catholic Secondary School"</p>

Trustee Brea Corbet:
It has been brought to my attention that some