

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 11, 2023

ITEM 1      OPENING PRAYER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:52 p.m. Trustee M. Nardini led the opening prayer.

Mr. D. Hansen, Director of Education, offered Memoriams for the following deceased employees and relatives of employees of the Board: Mr.P. Frenza, Mrs. N. Piunno, Mr. T. Thompson and Ms. E. Rastelli

ITEM 2      NOTING OF MEMBERS PRESENT & ABSENT, RESOLUTIONS EXCUSING ABSENCE

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. P. Daly, Chairperson, Mr. L. Agro, Mr. A. D’Intino, Mrs. J. Angelini, Mrs. E. Agostino, Mrs. M. Nardini, Mr. P. Homerski, Mr. J. Valvasori, and Mr. M. Valvasori.

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION:      Mr. D. Hansen

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES & TREASURER:

Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

STAFF:

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education  
Mr. H. Hucal, Superintendent of Education  
Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education  
Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education  
Mr. A. Romano, Superintendent of Human Resources  
Mrs. S. Scime, Assistant Superintendent of Education

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. K. Krueger

ITEM 3      APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chairperson noted that the Liuna local 837 custodian/maintenance tentative agreement will be item under 5 c xiii.

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

ITEM 4      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs. J. Angelini declared a conflict with item 5c (xiii)  
Mr. A. D’Intino declared a conflict with item 5c (xiii)  
Mrs. M. Nardini declared a conflict with items 5c (xiii)and 8 c  
Mr. M. Valvasori declared a conflict with item 5c (xiii)  
Mr. J. Valvasori declared a conflict with item 5c (xiii)

ITEM 5      CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

- a)      Committee of the Whole Minutes of March 7, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 7, 2023 MEETING BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino                      CARRIED

- b)      Board Minutes of March 7, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2023 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro                      CARRIED

- c)      Committee of the Whole Verbal Report of April 11, 2023

- i)      Anti -Racism Committee Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2023

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ANTI-RACISM COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 27 2023 BE RECEIVED

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. A. D’Intino                      CARRIED

- ii)      Policy Review Committee Meeting minutes of March 10, 2023

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2023 AND ATTACHED POLICIES BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

- iii) Blocking TIK TOK on HWCDSB Devices and networks

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE BLOCKING OF TIKTOK ON HWCDSB DEVICES AND NETWORKS, AS PRESENTED IN THIS REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023.

MOVER: Mrs. E. Agostino

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

- iv) Tender Results # 4936 Fibre Internet Services Consultant

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT TENDER RESULTS 4963 - FIBRE INTERNET SERVICES CONSULTANT, DATED APRIL 11, 2023, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$117,900.00 PLUS HST, BE AWARDED TO INTEGRA DATA SYSTEMS.

MOVER: Mrs. E. Agostino

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

- v) 2023-2024 Budget Consultation Survey- Results

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, 2023/24 BUDGET CONSULTATION SURVEY RESULTS, DATED APRIL 11, 2023, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini

SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

- vi) Interim Financial Statements – For the six-month period ending February 28, 2023

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2023, BE APPROVED, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski      CARRIED

vii) Tender Results RFP #4896 School Photography

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE AWARDING OF THE STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHY SERVICES QUOTE #4896 TO PEGASUS SCHOOL IMAGES, HAMILTON, FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2023 TO AUGUST 2025.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori      CARRIED

viii) Community Planning & Facility Partnerships update

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, COMMUNITY PLANNING AND FACILITY PARTNERSHIP UPDATE, DATED APRIL 11, 2023, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mrs. E. Agostino

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini      CARRIED

Items ix) x) and xi) were approved with one motion.

xi) Tender Results # 4946 St Bernadette C.E.S. FDK Playground

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD AWARD THE PROJECT TO EXPAND AND UPGRADE THE FDK AND CHILD CARE CENTRE PLAYGROUND AT ST. BERNADETTE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, QUOTE #4946, TO GREEN COLLAR INC. FOR THE SUM OF \$148,500, PLUS HST, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023.

Tender Results #4947 St. Mary C.S.S Stage Lighting

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD AWARD THE PROJECT TO REPLACE THE STAGE LIGHTING SYSTEM AT ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL, QUOTE #4947, TO CHRISTIE LITES SALES LTD. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$112,495, PLUS HST, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023.

And

Tender Results # 4943 Flooring Projects at various sites

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD AWARD THE IDENTIFIED FLOORING REPLACEMENT PROJECTS FOR GUARDIAN ANGELS CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (CES), ST. AUGUSTINE CES, ST. MARY CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL (CSS), ST. JOSEPH CES, ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX CES (LIBRARY), ST. MARK CES (PORTABLES, FDK ROOMS, STAFF ROOM, LIBRARY), ST. DAVID CES AND ST. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN CSS TO TRADEWORKS INTERIORS CANADA CORP. FOR THE SUM OF \$187,053, PLUS HST, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mr. A D'Intino

CARRIED

xii) Elementary Digital Mathematics Tool - Tender # 4932

MOTION:

THAT THE ELEMENTARY DIGITAL MATH TOOL – TENDER #4932 BE AWARDED TO NELSON TO SECURE PRICING FOR THE 5-YEAR TERM, BEGINNING IN THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

THAT THE PURCHASE OF MY MATH PATH (NELSON) FOR \$178,734.55 PLUS APPLICABLE TAXES PER TENDER #4932, BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

xv) Ratification of tentative Local Collective Agreement –Labourers International Union of North America (Local Liuna 837 -Custodians-Maintenance Employees (in camera)

xvii) Personnel Matter (OCT) (in camera)

ITEM 6      MOTIONS TO RECEIVE, MOTIONS OF REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE OR STAFF OF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS ITEMS

**a) Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Correspondence- Patrick J. Daly, President, OCSTA**

- i) Memo dated March 6, 2023 RE: The call of the Catechist Webinar Registration Open- Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
- ii) Memo dated March 7, 2023 RE: MOE Labour & Finance Division: Collective Agreement Policy Disclosure
- iii) Memo dated March 8, 2023 RE: ON News Release- Ontario Helping More Students enter the Skilled Trades
- iv) Memo dated March 15, 2023 RE: Reflections/Articles: The Story of the Chinese Farmer & Bringing our Empty Bucket to the well
- v) Memo dated March 21, 2023 RE: Legislative Update- New Bills, Ontario Budget, Code of Conduct Regulation
- vi) Memo dated March 10, 2023 RE: Don't give up on the Liberal Arts! Article by Bishop Robert Barron, Word on Fire
- vii) Memo dated March 13, 2023 RE: ON Tightening Rules around Mass Layoffs
- viii) Memo dated March 10, 2023 RE: ON News Release- Ontario Preparing Students for jobs of the Future
- ix) Memo dated March 22, 2023 RE: Reflection: Now Discern This
- x) Memo dated March 22, 2023 RE: MPAC School Support Portal Launched
- xi) Memo dated March 23, 2023 RE: ON News Release- Building a strong Ontario- Ontario Budget 2023
- xii) Memo dated March 23, 2023 RE: OCSTA Response to the 2023 Ontario Provincial Budget
- xiii) Memo dated March 27, 2023 RE: Annual report from the Chief Medical Officer of Health

- xiv) Memo dated March 29, 2023 RE: National Week for Family & Life 2023 (May 7-14) Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
- xv) Memo dated March 31, 2023 RE: Statement by the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops on the Joint Statement of the Dicastery for Culture and Education and the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development on the “Doctrine of Discovery” - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

**b) Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association (OCSTA)- Other**

- i) 2023 AGM Resolutions Package

**c) Ministry of Education Correspondence-**

- i) Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, Memo dated March 30, 2023 RE: Tutoring Supports Program Extension

MOTION:

THAT ITEMS 6A(I-XI) , 6B(I) and 6C(I) BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D’Intino

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

ITEM 7 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND DISCUSSION OF REPORT

- a) Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of March 9, 2023

Trustee P. Homerski, Committee member, presented the report.

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2023 BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

- b) Student Achievement and Well-Being Committee Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2023

Trustee P. Homerski, Committee member presented the report

B-23-4-8

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE MEETING OF MARCH 21, 2023 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

ITEM 8

STAFF REPORTS AND RESOLUTION

a) Awards and Recognition

The Chairperson presented the report He noted the accomplishments of all.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT AWARDS AND RECOGNITION AS PRESENTED ON APRIL 11, 2023 BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. L. Agro

SECONDER: Mrs. J. Angelini

CARRIED

b) Administrative Staff Report- Early Childhood Education

B-23-4-9

MOTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE RETURN FROM LEAVES AND LEAVES OF ABSENCE OF STAFF NAMED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023 BE APPROVED. RECOMMENDATION FOR THE HIRING OF STAFF IS SUBJECT TO THE COMPLETION OF THE CRIMINAL REFERENCE CHECK PROCEDURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOARD POLICY.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

c) Administrative Staff report- Teaching

MOTION:

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE LEAVES OF ABSENCE OF STAFF NAMED IN THE REPORT DATED APRIL 11, 2023 BE APPROVED. RECOMMENDATION FOR THE HIRING OF STAFF IS SUBJECT TO THE COMPLETION OF THE CRIMINAL REFERENCE CHECK PROCEDURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOARD POLICY.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori



SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

ITEM 9      NOTICES OF MOTION

There was none.

ITEM 10      NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 11      ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER

Trustee A. D'Intino moved adjournment at 7:03 p.m. and all recited the closing prayer.

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Mr. P.J. Daly  
Chairperson

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Mr. D. Hansen  
Director of Education