

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 6, 2024

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:24 p.m. Trustee M. Valvasori led the opening prayer.

Mr. D. Hansen, Director of Education, offered In Memoriams for the following deceased employees and relatives of employees of the Board: Anthony (Tony) Gerard Rock, Paul Thomas Sheahan, Paul Francis Nolan, Dora Noce.

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

Chairperson Daly noted that regrets were received by Trustee E. Agostino and Student Trustee J. Rasiah.

MOTION:

THAT THE ABSENCE OF TRUSTEE E. AGOSTINO AND STUDENT TRUSTEE J. RASIAH BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. P. Daly, Chairperson, Mr. A. D'Intino, Mrs. J. Angelini, Mr. J. Valvasori, Mr. M. Valvasori, Mr. P. Homerski, Mr. L. Agro, Mrs. M. Nardini

CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD: Mr. P.J. Daly

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Mr. D. Hansen

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES & TREASURER:

Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

STAFF:

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education

Mr. B. Daly, Assistant Superintendent of Education

Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education

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Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education
Mr. H. Hucal, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. L. Palermo, Acting Lead Human Resources

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. N. Knoll

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Chairperson Daly noted Administrative Staff report item 5 c) xiv

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Trustees submitted a Declaration of Interest form:

Mrs. M. Nardini declared a conflict with items 5 c) xiv) children work for the board.

ITEM 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

a) Committee of the Whole Minutes of January 23, 2024 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024
MEETING BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

b) Board Minutes of January 23, 2024 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

c) Committee of the Whole Verbal Report of February 6, 2024

MOTION:

- i) THAT THE REPORT, INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – FOR THE PERIOD ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2023, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

- ii) THAT THE REPORT, “2024/2025 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS”, BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. J. Angelini

CARRIED

MOTION:

- iii) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE 2023-24 SCHOOL RENEWAL ALLOCATION AND SCHOOL CONDITION IMPROVEMENT CAPITAL BUDGET PLAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,200,000.

MOTION:

- iv) THAT THE REPORT, “EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT CHARGES FINANCIAL STATEMENT – 2022/2023”, BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mr. A. D’Intino

CARRIED

MOTION:

- v) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE SINGLE SOURCE SERVICE PROVIDER: OPTIMUS TECH SOLUTIONS INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF CYBER SECURITY SERVICES AS OUTLINED IN THIS REPORT FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$124,652.00 PLUS HST FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR.

MOTION:

- vi) THAT THE BOARD AWARD THE CLASSROOM UNIT VENTILATOR AND REPLACEMENT ROOFTOP UNIT PROJECTS AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, QUOTE #5032, TO LANCASTER HEATING AND COOLING FOR THE COMBINED PRICE OF \$1,479,000, PLUS HST, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2024.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini
SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

MOTION:

- vii) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF GIZMOS LICENSES, IN EXCESS OF \$100,000, THROUGH THE OECM CONTRACT UNTIL THE END OF THE 2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski
SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

MOTION:

- viii) THAT THE NOMINEES, MONICA FOX AND ADAM SENOUR, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT, "SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION", DATED TUESDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2024, BE APPROVED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE HWCDSB SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

MOVER: Mr. P Homerski
SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

CARRIED

MOTION:

- ix) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE A SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR CHANGE FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR CONSISTING OF MOVING THE APRIL 19, 2024 PA Day to April 8, 2024.

MOTION:

- x) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE A SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR CONSISTING OF 187 INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS AND 7 PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAYS, BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 AND ENDING ON JUNE 27, 2025, FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

MOTION:

- xi) THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE APPLY TO EDUCATION MODULES EASYCONNECT AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON A 5-YEAR COMMITMENT WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$350,891.00 PLUS HST.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino
SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

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

MOTION:

THAT ITEMS 6 (a) i-vii through 6 (b) i BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

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

- i) Memo dated January 16, 2024 RE: June 5–6 OCSTA Seminar for CDSB Indigenous Leads
- ii) Letter dated January 19, 2024. To: All Participants of OCTSA's 2024 Catholic Education Week Song Contest.
- iii) Memo Dated January 22, 2024. RE: On the Road Together Reflection – “Leaders Create Conditions for People to Realize their Callings & Potential”
- iv) Memo Dated January 22, 2024 RE: OCSTA Short Video Contest Winners
- v) Memo Dated January 22, 2024 RE: Release of Catholic Secondary Online Courses
- vi) Memo Dated January 23, 2024 RE: ON News Release – Ontario Unveils a Back-to-Basics Kindergarten Curriculum
- vii) Memo Dated January 25, 2024 RE: Pope Francis' 2024 Communications Day Message

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

- i) Memo dated January 17, 2024 RE: 2024 Pre-Budget Submission, Steve Andrews, Director of Legislative and Political Affairs

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

- a) **Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes of January 11, 2024.**

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2024 BE APPROVED.

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MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski
SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

- b) Student Achievement and Well-Being Committee Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2024.

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2024 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mrs. J. Angelini

CARRIED

ITEM 8 STAFF REPORTS AND RESOLUTION

- a) Awards and Recognition

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, RECOGNITION AND AWARDS, DATED FEBRUARY 6, 2024, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mrs. J. Angelini

CARRIED

ITEM 9 NOTICES OF MOTION

There was none.

ITEM 10 NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 11 ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER

Chairperson Daly moved adjournment at 6:37 p.m. and all recited the closing prayer.

Mr. P.J. Daly
Chairperson

Mr. D. Hansen
Director of Education