

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Date: January 23, 2024

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Chairperson M. Valvasori called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Trustee J. Angelini led the opening prayer.

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

It was noted regrets were received by Trustee M. Nardini and Student Trustee's A. Perri and J. Rasiah.

PRESENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. M. Valvasori, Chairperson, Mr. Homerski, Mrs. E. Agostino, Mr. A. D'Intino, Mr. L. Agro, Mrs. J. Angelini, Mr. J. Valvasori

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

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Mr. D. Hansen

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

STAFF:

Miss. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. C. Ciancone-Barbati, Secondary Step Assessment and ELL Support Teacher

Mrs. T. Cho, French As A Second Language Consultant, K-12

Mrs. N. Crisante, Early Years K-3 Student Achievement Consultant

Mr. B. Daly, Assistant Superintendent of Education, Math Lead

Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. T. Haworth, Transition Coordinator

Mr. M. Hucal, Superintendent of Education

Ms. R. Jun, Manager, Speech Language & Hearing Services

Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education

Ms. T. Nocciolino, Special Education Project Lead, Principal

Mrs. S. Scime, Assistant Superintendent of Education

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RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. N. Knoll

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

ITEM 5 MOTIONS TO RECEIVE, MOTIONS OF REFERRAL COMMITTEE OR STAFF COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

There were none.

ITEM 6 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS:

- a) Transitions: Supported Community and Work Experience Program (SCWEP) Update

Mrs. T. Ferrie introduced and Mrs. Nocciolino presented the report. She provided and overview of the program and noted there are currently 69 students participating in the SCWEP across all seven of the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board secondary schools. The program will continue to foster student independence and support transitions of Grade 12(+) students with special education needs.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, TRANSITIONS: SUPPORTED COMMUNITY AND WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (SCWEP) UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024 BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

b) Literacy Intervention Update

Mr. Hucal introduced the report and Mrs. N. Crisante presented the report. She highlighted the HWCDSB Literacy Intervention Model based on 3 Tiers:

- Tier 1 – Kindergarten: Heggerty Kindergarten Curriculum 2022 Edition
Grade 1: Heggerty Primary Curriculum
- Tier 2- Equal Opportunity Schools: 3 LRT Groups
Large Schools: 2 LRT Groups
All other schools 1 LRT Group
- Tier 3 – Empower Expansion to all schools

A question and answer period ensued.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, LITERACY INTERVENTION UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

c) English as a Second Language and English Literacy Development Programs and Services K-12

Mrs. S. Scime introduced the report. Mrs. C. Ciancone-Barbati, presented the report providing an overview of the 2022-2023 school year and Fall 2023 data including Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board English as a Second Language enrollment, the ESL program, Council of Directors of Education projects, ESL teacher professional development, Lexia English project data and community partners. It was noted the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board submitted one proposal to CODE in 2022-2023 and were granted funding for the proposal.

Mrs. S. Scime and Mrs. C. Ciancone-Barbati were commended on an outstanding report. A question and answer period ensued.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE AND ENGLISH LITERACY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES K-12, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

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MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori
SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

d) French as a Second Language (FSL) and French Immersion (FI) Update

Mrs. S. Scime introduced and Mrs. T. Cho presented the report. She provided an update on the French Immersion expansion from September 2019 to October 1, 2023. She highlighted the schools Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board offers FI programming at:

- St. Eugene CES
- St. Joseph CES
- Sts. Peter and Paul CES
- St. Vincent de Paul CES
- St. Clare of Assisi CES
- Cathedral High School

A lengthy question and answer period ensued.

Trustee M. Valvasori requested information regarding a possible French Immersion site in the Waterdown area.

Chairperson Daly requested further information regarding enrollments at the current locations and recommended a report be presented at the next meeting of the Student Achievement and Well-Being Committee.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, FRENCH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (FSL) AND FRENCH IMMERSION (FI) UPDATE 2023-2024, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. L. Agro
SECONDER Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

e) HWCDSD 31st Annual Parent Conference 2023-2024

Ms. J. Angiolillo presented the report. She noted the conference was well attended with approximately 183 participants. She highlighted the goals of the 2023-2024 Parent Conference. An exit survey was shared which demonstrated the Parents Conference was well received.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
31ST ANNUAL PARENT CONFERENCE 2023-2024, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 23,
2024, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini
SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

ITEM 7 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were none

ITEM 8 NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 9 ADJOURNMENT

Trustee A. D'Intino moved adjournment at 5:58p.m.

Mr. M. Valvasori
Chairperson

Mr. M. Hucal
Secretary