

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Date: March 19, 2024

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Chairperson M. Valvasori called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Student Trustee A. Perri led the opening prayer.

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

PRESENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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

STUDENT TRUSTEES: Alyssia Perri and Jeleina Rasiah

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

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Mr. D. Hansen

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES:

Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

STAFF:

Mrs. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education

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

Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education

Mr. M. Hucal, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. K. Lazure-Valconi, Senior Manager Pastoral Care/ Employee Assistance
Pastoral Services

Mrs. M. Maric, Special Education and ABA Consultant

Mrs. E. Niemiec, Student Achievement Consultant, Grades 4-8

Mrs. L. Palermo, Acting Lead – Human Resources

Mrs. S. Scime, Assistant Superintendent of Education

Mr. A. Staibano, Secondary Mathematics Consultant

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. N. Knoll

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ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: M. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

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) Student Achievement Plan – Public Reporting Template

Mr. H. Hucal introduced the report. He noted in April 2023, the Better Schools and Student Outcomes Act 2023 was passed. Flowing from Bill 98 the Ministry of Education introduced a new Student Achievement Plan template that each school board must publicly post. Mr. B. Daly presented the report and highlighted the three provincial priorities;

- i) Achievement of Learning Outcomes in Core Academic Skills
- ii) Preparation of Students for future Success
- iii) Student Engagement and Well-Being

A fourth local priorities – Catholic faith formation was added to the template.

A question and answer period took place.

Chairperson Daly recommended that the final document include specific references to the approved budget drivers. He further recommended that once approved the plan be referred to the Policy Review Committee.

MOTION:

SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS THAT THE REPORT, STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PLAN - PUBLIC REPORTING TEMPLATE, DATED TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024, BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. L. Agro

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

b) Secondary Student Achievement Update (Grades 9-12)

Mr. D. DiFrancesco introduced the report. Mr. A. Staibano presented the report and provided an update on grade 9 – 12 report card data from 2023-2024 Semester 1 comparing to 2022-2023.

A question and answer period took place.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, SECONDARY STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT UPDATE (GRADES 9-12), DATED TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D’Intino

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

c) Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Learning Opportunities in Elementary Classrooms

Mr. M. Hucal introduced the report. Mrs. E. Niemiec presented the report and highlighted the STEM learning Opportunities for the 2023-2024 school Year:

- Job-embedded Support
- ABACUS Small Grants Program for Teachers
- Lego Foundation Grant
- FIRST LEGO League Robotics Competition

A question and answer period took place.

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MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) LEARNING OPPORTUNITES IN ELEMENTARY CLASSROOMS, DATED TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024 BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

d) Identification, Placement, and Review Committee (IPRC) Process

Mrs. T. Ferrie introduced the report. Mrs. M. Maric provided an overview of the (IPRC) process. She provided information on the five categories the Education Act identifies as exceptionalities for exceptional students:

- Behavioural,
- Communication,
- Intellectual,
- Physical, and;
- Multiple

Chairperson Daly commended Mrs. T. Ferrie and Mrs. M. Maric on an outstanding report noting the valuable data/information provided in it.

A question and answer period took place.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, IDENTIFICATION, PLACEMENT, AND REVIEW COMMITTEE PROCESS, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mrs. J. Angelini

CARRIED

e) Parent Engagement Update 2023-2024

Mrs. J. Angiolillo presented the report. She provided an update on the Board's parent engagement initiatives for 2023-2024.

A question and answer period took place.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, PARENT ENGAGEMENT UPDATE 2023-2024, DATED TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024, BE RECEIVED.

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

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 6:55p.m.

Mr. M. Valvasori
Chairperson

Mr. M. Hucal
Secretary