

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 23, 2024

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. Trustee P. Homerski 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: Alfonsina Castellino, Ross Bowman Sr., Michael Howie Blanche, Leonard Gaspare Giacomelli, Jo Ann Patricia Lopata-Sullivan and Michael Lawlor Sr.

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

Chairperson Daly noted that regrets were received by Trustee M. Nardini and Student Trustee's A. Perri and J. Rasiah.

MOTION:

THAT THE ABSENCE OF TRUSTEE M. NARDINI AND STUDENT TRUSTEE'S A. PERRI AND J. RASIAH BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

PRESENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

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

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

Mrs. N. Degiuli, Controller of Business

Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education
Mr. H. Hucal, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. S. Scime, Assistant Superintendent

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. N. Knoll

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Chairperson Daly noted 2023/2024 Revised Estimates Operating Budget will be under 5 e) (i) and 2023/2024 Revised Estimates Capital Budget will be under 5 c) (ii)

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Trustees submitted a Declaration of Interest form:

Mrs. J. Angelini declared a conflict with items 5e (i)a son is a supply teacher for another board

Mrs. E. Agostino declared a conflict with items 5e (i)a family teaches

Mr. J. Valvasori declared a conflict with items 5e (i)a family teaches

Mr. A. D'Intino declared a conflict with items 5e (i)a children are teachers

Mr. M. Valvasori declared a conflict with items 5e (i)a children are teachers

ITEM 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

a) Committee of the Whole Minutes of December 5, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2023 MEETING BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

b) Board Minutes of December 5, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 5, 2023 BE APPROVED.

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

CARRIED

c) Special Committee of the Whole Minutes of December 19, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2023 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini
SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

d) Special Board Minutes of December 19, 2023 Meeting

MOTION:

THAT THE SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2023 BE APPROVED.

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

CARRIED

e) Committee of the Whole Verbal Report of January 23, 2024

MOTION:

i) THAT THE HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE 2023/2024 REVISED ESTIMATES OPERATING BUDGET OF \$413,312,830.

MOVER: Mr. L. Agro
SECONDER: Mrs. P. Homerski

CARRIED

ii) THAT THE HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE THE 2023/2024 REVISED ESTIMATES CAPITAL BUDGET OF \$28,526,649.

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

CARRIED

MOTION:

ii) THAT THE REPORT 2024-25 PORTABLE REQUIREMENTS' DATED JANUARY 23, 2024 BE APPROVED

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MOVER: Mrs. J. Angelini
SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

MOTION:

iii) THAT THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL RENEWAL AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET REPORT BE

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

CARRIED

MOTION:

iv) THAT THE BOARD AWARD THE PROJECTS TO REPLACE THE MAKE-UP AIR UNIT AND EXHAUST FANS AT ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (CES) AND THE ENERGY RECOVERY VENTILATOR AT ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE CES, QUOTE #5029, TO SUPERIOR BOILER WORKS & WELDING LTD. FOR THE SUM OF \$713,421, PLUS HST, AS PRESENTED IN THE REPORT DATED JANUARY 23, 2024.

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

CARRIED

MOTION:

v) THAT THE REPORT OF ESTABLISHING A MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH PHONAK AS THE SINGLE SOURCE PROVIDER FOR PERSONAL FM SYSTEMS FUNDED AS SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT AMOUNT (SEA) 2023/2024 AND 2024/2025 SCHOOL YEARS, DATED JANUARY 23, 2024, BE APPROVED.

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

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 through 6 (b) ii BE RECEIVED.

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

CARRIED

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

- i) Memo dated December 13, 2023 RE: ON News Release – Ontario Helping More Students Kick-Start Careers in the Trades
- ii) Memo dated December 14, 2023 RE: OCSTA Short Video Contest – Online Voting
- iii) Memo Dated December 18, 2023 RE: Supporting National Catholic Health Care Week in Canada – February 4-10, 2024
- iv) Memo Dated December 18, 2023 RE: Leading with Light: Mirrors and Windows, Not Lamps – On the Road Together Reflection
- v) Christmas Greeting, OCSTA 2023
- vi) Memo Dated January 8, 2024 RE: Archbishop Francis Leo's Pastoral Letter: "Seeking the Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things"
- vii) Memo Dated January 8, 2024 RE: ON News Release re: Ontario Connecting More Youth to Mental Health Services in Algoma District
- viii) Memo Dated January 15, 2024 RE: Submission Letter re: Director of Education Performance Appraisal – Regulation under Bill 68
- ix) Memo Dated January 15, 2024 RE: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024 – Conference of Catholic Bishops

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

- i) Letter Dated December 1, 2023 Board Meeting Highlights OCSTA Board of Directors
- ii) Memo dated January 8, 2024 RE: Minister's Advisory Council on Special Education (MACSE) – Feedback Required. 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 December 14, 2023.

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 14, 2023 BE APPROVED.

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MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski
SECONDER: Mrs. E. Agostino

CARRIED

- b) Student Achievement and Well-Being Committee Meeting Minutes of December 19, 2023.

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2023 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 JANUARY 23, 2024, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mrs. E. Agostino
SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

ITEM 9 NOTICES OF MOTION

There was none.

ITEM 10 NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 11 ADJOURNMENT/CLOSING PRAYER

Trustee Mr. A. D'Intino moved adjournment at 6:52 p.m. and all recited the closing prayer.