

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

**RELIGION, FAMILY LIFE AND
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES MINUTES**

Date: November 20, 2018

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Mr. A. Perri, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. in the Board Room of the Father Kyran Kennedy Catholic Education Centre. Mrs. C. Cornale led the opening prayer.

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

Mr. A. Perri indicated that regrets were received from Mr. P. DiFrancesco.

MOTION:

THAT THE ABSENCE OF MR. P. DIFRANCESCO BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mrs. C. Cornale

CARRIED

PRESENT: Mr. A. Perri, Chairperson
Mrs. M. Nardini, Vice-Chairperson
Mr. J. Baiardo, Mr. A. D'Intino,
Mr. J. Valvasori, Mr. M. Valvasori.

CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD: Mr. P. Daly

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Mr. D. Hansen

OFFICIALS: Ms. J. Angiolillo, Mr. C. Ciapanna, Mrs. N. DeGiuli,
Mrs. I. Fortino, Mr. M. Hucal, Mrs. M. Jadon,
Mrs. T. Kovach, Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian, Mrs. S. Pizzuti,
Mr. A. Romano, Mr. G. Tabone.

STUDENT TRUSTEE: Miss M. Malcew

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RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. S. Giacinti

ABSENT: Mr. P. DiFrancesco

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. C. Cornale

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There was none.

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

There was none.

ITEM 6 INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26,
2018

MOTION:

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES MEETING
OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2018 BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Baiardo

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

ITEM 7 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS: RELIGION AND FAMILY LIFE:

a) Secondary Diversity Conference

Mr. C. Ciapanna, Superintendent of Education, introduced the report.

Dr. P. Beaudette, Program Leader: Religion and Family Life, presented the report. He indicated that the 2018 Social Changemakers Student Conference took place on November 13th at the Nicholas Mancini Centre. He provided an overview of the learning sessions that took place at the conference.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, SECONDARY DIVERSITY CONFERENCE, DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini
SECONDER: Mrs. C. Cornale

CARRIED

b) Faith Day 2018-2019

Mr. C. Ciapanna, Superintendent of Education, introduced the report.

Dr. P. Beaudette, Program Leader: Religion and Family Life, presented the report. He informed the committee that this year's Faith Day will take place at each of the schools on December 7th. He indicated that the day will be a retreat format and will be based on the theme, "Renewing the Promise".

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, FAITH DAY 2018-2019, DATED NOVEMBER 20 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

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

CARRIED

c) Observing the Holdomor Memorial

Mr. C. Ciapanna, Superintendent of Education, introduced the report.

Dr. P. Beaudette, Program Leader: Religion and Family Life, presented the report. He informed the committee that on November 23rd, schools will join together in a prepared morning prayer to recognize the "Holodomor Memorial Day" and remember the millions of Ukrainians who were victims of genocide.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, OBSERVING THE HOLODOMOR MEMORIAL, DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

ITEM 8

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS: INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

a) Fundamentals of Math Professional Activity Day Elementary and Secondary

Mr. G. Tabone, Assistant Superintendent of Education, introduced the elementary report. Ms. C. Scheben, Numeracy Consultant, K to Grade 8, presented the report. She outlined the activities that the elementary teachers will be doing at the Fundamentals of Math Professional Activity Day.

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Assistant Superintendent of Education, introduced the secondary report. Mr. A. Staibano, Numeracy Consultant, Secondary, presented the report. He highlighted the activities that the secondary teachers will be taking part in at the Fundamentals of Math Professional Activity Day.

A question and answer period ensued and the following motion was forthcoming:

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, FUNDAMENTALS OF MATH PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAY - ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY, DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

b) Math Special Assignment Teachers (MSATS)

Mr. G. Tabone, Assistant Superintendent of Education, presented the report.

He informed the committee that there are seven elementary MSATS that work with teachers and administrators in 28 elementary schools. He indicated that the secondary MSAT provides support to teachers and students of all schools, with increased support to four of the secondary schools.

He provided highlights of the initiatives that the MSATS have been involved in.

Discussion ensued and the following motions were forthcoming:

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, MATH SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT TEACHERS (MSATS), DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mrs. C. Cornale

CARRIED

THAT, SUBJECT TO THE 2019/2020 BUDGET APPROVAL, THAT PRIORITY BE PLACED ON MAINTAINING THE CURRENT COMPLIMENT OF MATH SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT TEACHERS (MSATS).

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

c) Summer Learning Program HWCDSB 2018

Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education, introduced the report.

Mr. A. DeTullio, Summer Learning Program Board Lead & Principal of St. Luke Catholic Elementary School, presented the report. He provided an overview of the Summer Learning Program for 2018 that took place at St. Marguerite d'Youville; St. Martin of Tours; and, St. Michael Catholic Elementary Schools. He informed the committee that the program ran four hours per day, Monday to Friday, for three weeks. He indicated that the program focused on literacy and numeracy skills development and skills retention.

He provided an overview of the key findings and next steps.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD, DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

CARRIED

d) Catholicity Across the Curriculum Resource Fair

Mrs. I. Fortino, Superintendent of Education, introduced the report.

Ms. P. Kontic, Manager, Catholic Library Learning Commons, presented the report.

She informed the committee that the resource fair will take place on November 21, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Nicholas Mancini Centre. She indicated that the focus of the fair will be vendor presentations of resources from K-Grade 12. She stated that the keynote speaker will be Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director, Catechesis Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, CATHOLICITY ACROSS THE CURRICULUM RESOURCE FAIR, DATED NOVEMBER 20, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

CARRIED

e) Upcoming Agenda Items

Committee members were asked to submit agenda items to the Committee Secretary.

ITEM 9 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were none.

ITEM 10 NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 11 ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. M. Nardini moved adjournment at 7:15 p.m.

Mr. A. Perri
Chairperson

Mrs. T. Kovach
Secretary