

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Date: December 18, 2018

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Mr. J. Baiardo, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. in the Board Room of the Father Kyran Kennedy Catholic Education Centre. Mr. M. Valvasori led the opening prayer.

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

Mr. J. Baiardo indicated that regrets were received from Mr. P. Homerski.

MOTION:

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

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

PRESENT: Mr. J. Baiardo, Chairperson
Mr. L. Agro, Mr. A. D'Intino Mrs. M. Nardini,
Mr. A. Perri 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. I. Fortino, Mr. M. Hucal, Mrs. T. Kovach,
Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian, Mrs. S. Pizzuti, Mr. A. Romano,
Mr. G. Tabone.

STUDENT TRUSTEE: Miss M. Malcew

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. S. Giacinti

ABSENT: Mr. P. Homerski

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ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs. M. Nardini declared a conflict of interest with Item 7(a) because her children are teachers.

ITEM 5 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON FOR 2019

The Chairperson called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Student Achievement and Well-Being Committee.

MOTION:

THAT MR. M. VALVASORI BE ELECTED AS VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2019.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino

SECONDER: Mr. A. Perri

CARRIED

CLOSING OF NOMINATIONS:

THAT THE NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE FOR 2019 BE CLOSED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

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

There was none.

ITEM 7 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS:

a) Early Years Literacy Interventions

Mr. M. Hucal, Superintendent of Education, introduced Ms. J. Silva, Reading Recovery Teacher Leader, and Mrs. N. Crisante, Early Years Student Achievement Consultant. He also welcomed the Reading Recovery Teachers that were in attendance. He introduced the report.

Ms. J. Silva provided an overview of the Reading Recovery program. She outlined the concept of the program and key findings for students who complete the program.

Mrs. N. Crisante highlighted the Literacy Resource Intervention that is offered to students from Kindergarten to Grade 2 that are falling below grade level in literacy acquisition. She provided an overview of the key findings for 2017-2018.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, EARLY YEARS LITERACY INTERVENTIONS, DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

THAT THE BOARD AFFIRM ITS CONTINUED SUPPORT OF READING RECOVERY AND LITERACY RESOURCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO BUDGET APPROVAL.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. P. Daly

CARRIED

b) The Role of the Student Success Teacher

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Assistant Superintendent of Education, introduced Ms. S.Kalogiros, Student Success Consultant. She presented the report.

She highlighted the role of the Student Success Teacher.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, THE ROLE OF THE STUDENT SUCCESS TEACHER, DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018, BE ACCPETED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. A. Perri

SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini

CARRIED

c) Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL)

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Assistant Superintendent of Education, introduced Ms. J. Athanasiou-Malisa, Manager of Social Work Services.

Ms. J. Athanasiou-Malisa, Manager of Social Work Services, presented the report. She provided an overview of the program and the benefits of the program for the students in need of this type of learning.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, SUPERVISED ALTERNATIVE LEARNING (SAL), DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

d) Transition to the Ontario Autism Program-After School Skills Development Program

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

Mrs. M. Maric, Special Education and Applied Behaviour Analysis Consultant, presented the report. She indicated that this is an after-care program to include children with high needs Autism Spectrum Disorder.

She provided an overview of the program, key findings and next steps.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, TRANSITION TO THE ONTARIO AUTISM PROGRAM-AFTER SCHOOL SISTERS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018, BE ACCEPTED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

e) ASD Pilot-Models to Improve School-Based Supports for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder

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

Mrs. N. Cantelmi-Cicchi, Applied Behaviour Analysis Special Assignment Resource Teacher and ASD Pilot Project Coordinator, presented the report.

She indicated that the creation of the new Ontario Autism Program (OAP) allows for more children and youth to receive critical interventions sooner through evidence-based services that are better matched to their needs.

She highlighted the components of the ASD Pilot that is currently operating in the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, ASD PILOT-MODELS TO IMPROVE SCHOOL-BASED SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER, DATED DECEMBER 18, 2018, BE ACCPETED AS AN ITEM OF INFORMATION.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

ITEM 8 NOTICES OF MOTION

There were none.

ITEM 9 NEW BUSINESS

The Chairperson wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

ITEM 10 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. A. Perri moved adjournment at 6:55 p.m.

Mr. J. Baiardo
Chairperson

Mrs. T. Kovach
Secretary