

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Date: January 18, 2022

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Mr. J. Baiardo called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. Trustee Mr. M. Valvasori led the opening prayer.

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. J. Baiardo, Chairperson, , Mr. L. Agro,
Mr. A. D’Intino, Mr. T. Iorio, Mrs. M. Nardini, Mr. J. Valvasori, Mr. M. Valvasori.

REGRETS:

Mr. P. Homerski, Vice-Chairperson

STUDENT TRUSTEES: Miss N. Menechella and Miss. E. Hilson

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

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Mr. D. Hansen

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES: Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

OFFICIALS:

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education
Mr. A. Cortina, Chief Information Officer
Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education
Mr. M. Hucal, Superintendent of Education
Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education
Mr. A. Romano, Superintendent of Human Resources

GUESTS

Mrs. J. Athanasiou-Malisa, Manager of Social Work Services
Mrs M. Hayes, Mental Health Lead
Mr. M. Noronha, Technology Enabled Learning and Teaching Contact (K-12)
Dr. L. Stanton, Chief Psychologist
Mrs. D. Yamashita, Technology and Digital Learning, Special Assignment Teacher

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. K. Krueger

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

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MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Daly

SECONDER: Mrs M. Nardini

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr. T. Orio declared a conflict with 6 (a) as he has a family member who works for the board.

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

There was none.

ITEM 6 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS:

a) Remote Learning Update-

Mr. Hucal presented the report and acknowledged those who assisted with preparing the report. The report updated the picot to remote learning and the supports provided for students, parents and staff. On January 5, 2022. 29,671 students pivoted to remote learning. 35, 403 TEAMS meetings were used for synchronous learning. This last switch to remote learning had very few issues. Technology supports were upgraded to ensure success for easy access to remote learning. Mr. Hucal thanked administrators /ICT to help distribute devices to students.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, REMOTE LEARNING UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D’Intino

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

b) HWCD SB Student Mental Health and Addiction Annual Action Plan – 2021-2022

Mrs. T. Kovach thanked Mrs. M. Hayes for her instrumental work on this report and invited her to present the report. The theme for the report aligns with Catholic Education Week: Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together. The HWCD SB utilizes the

Aligned and Integrated Model (AIM) to support students in all three tiers: mental health promotion efforts offered in a universal way for all students; services for

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students who may be at risk and need more targeted interventions; and increased, intensive support for students with identified mental health challenges.

Ongoing HWCDSB priorities that extend beyond the 2021-2022 HWCDSB Annual Mental Health and Addiction Action Plan include the following initiatives:

- Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention; and,
- Bullying Prevention, Intervention, and Follow-up.

Mr. P. Daly commented on the outstanding work of Mrs. T. Kovach and Mrs. M. Hayes with regard to student mental health.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, HWCDSB STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION ANNUAL ACTION PLAN – 2021-2022, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022, BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mr. T. Iorio

SECONDER: Mr. L. Agro

CARRIED

c) Catholic School Climate Survey: Tell Them from Me 2020-2021

Dr. L. Stanton presented the report. This report provides highlights of the results the 2020-2021 survey amongst students in Grades 4 through 12.

The board will continue to engage in this survey and work with Mental Health Leadership teams and support principals in monitoring and assessment of all of these areas. A lengthy question/answer period ensued.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, CATHOLIC SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEY: TELL THEM FROM ME 2020-2021 HWCDSB HIGHLIGHTS, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. P. Daly

CARRIED

d) Elementary Outdoor Education Programming Update

Mr. M. Hucal presented noted that outdoor education is a valuable tool encouraging students to engage in Physical and healthy activity. The Board funds are used to contract third party organizations such as:

- CYO;
- Camp Brébeuf; and,
- Camp Marydale

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Field trips have resumed with COVID protocols in place. Grades 3, 5 and 8 Grade 3.

- Grade 3 Program -Hands on experiential opportunities connected to the Science and technology, earth and space systems and soils in the environment. Approximately 1,900 students participated.
- Grade 5 program- Hands on experiential opportunities connected to curriculum such as science and technology, understanding matter and energy and changes in matter. Approximately 1,950 students participated.
- Grade 8 Program- three day session was one day session. Approximately 2,500-3,000 students participated in this program.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, ELEMENTARY OUTDOOR EDUCATION PROGRAMMING UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. L. Agro

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

CARRIED

ITEM 7

NOTICES OF MOTION

There were none.

ITEM 8

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ITEM 9

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee D'Intino moved adjournment at 6:46 p.m.

Mr. J. Baiardo
Chairperson

Mr. M. Hucal
Secretary