

HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND WELL-BEING COMMITTEE

Date: April 19, 2022

ITEM 1 OPENING PRAYER

Mr. J. Baiardo called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Trustee P. Daly led the opening prayer, he asked that we remember the people of Ukraine and 2 very special intentions within our Catholic School System.

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

MOTION:

THAT THE ABSENCE OF TRUSTEE LOUIS AGRO BE APPROVED.

MOVER: Mrs. M. Nardini

SECONDER: Mr. P. Homerski

CARRIED

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. J. Baiardo, Chairperson, Mr. P. Homerski, Vice-Chairperson, Mr. A. D'Intino, Mr. T. Iorio, Mrs. M. Nardini, Mr. J. Valvasori, Mr. M. Valvasori.

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 & TREASURER:

Mrs. P. Pace-Gubekjian

STAFF:

Ms. J. Angiolillo, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. J. Athanasiou-Malisa, Mangers of Social Work Services

Mr. A. Cortina, Chief Information Officer

Mr. J. Curto, Special Education Project Lead Principal

Mr. D. DiFrancesco, Superintendent of Education

Mr. M. DiVittorio, Principal, Continuing Education

Mr. P. Ferrie, Senior Facilities Manager

Mrs. T. Ferrie, Superintendent of Education

Ms. T. Haworth, Educational Assistant- Transition Coordinator/Facilitator

Mrs. B. Hicks, Student Achievement Consultant

Mr. M. Hucal, Superintendent of Education

Mrs. K. Lazure-Valconi, Employee Assistance Counsellor
Ms. J. Licop, Educational Assistant, Job Coach
Mrs. T. Kovach, Superintendent of Education
Mr. K. Monaco, Vice-Principal, Continuing Education
Mr. R. Mills, Education Assistant, Job Coach
Mrs. D. Musgraves, Social Worker
Ms. E. Niemiec, Student Achievement Consultant, Grades 4-8
Ms. A. Ralph, System Equity Officer
Mr. A. Romano, Superintendent of Human Resources
Dr. L Stanton, Chief Psychologist
Mr. M. Trotta, Principal/ SSEF Co-Chair
Mrs. M. Trotta, Principal/ SSEF Co-Chair

RECORDING SECRETARY: Mrs. K. Krueger

ITEM 3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

MOTION:

THAT THE ORDER OF BUSINESS BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mr. M. Valvasori

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

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

There was none.

ITEM 6 PRESENTATION OF REPORTS:

a) Psychological Services 2021-2022 HWCDSB Highlights

Mrs. T. Ferrie introduced the report and Dr. L. Stanton presented the report. She emphasized the critical importance of the comprehensive service her team provides to all students with Special Education needs in the system.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES 2021-2022 HWCDSB HIGHLIGHTS, DATED TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. J. Valvasori
 SECONDER: Mrs. M. Nardini CARRIED

b) Transitions: Supported Community and Work Experience Program

Mrs. T. Ferrie introduced the report and thanked the Job Coach's for their dedication. Mr. J. Curto presented the report. He highlighted the transition from secondary school to supported community or work program placement for students with Special Education needs. The student-centered approach has meant successful transitions for the students in the Supported Community and Work Experience Program. In 2021-2022, 47 students participated in the programs with all schools represented. Chairperson P. Daly thanked Theresa Haworth and all of the job coaches for their tremendous service.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, TRANSITIONS: SUPPORTED COMMUNITY AND WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAM UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori
 SECONDER: Mr. P. Daly CARRIED

c) HWCDSD Re-engaging Students – Student Success Updates Grade

Mr. Hucal welcomed Mrs. B. Hicks, Mr. K. Monaco, and Mrs. D. Musgraves. Mrs. B. Hicks presented the report, highlighting how students are supported when they have become disengaged from school. Proactive measures are needed in order to reach all students. Mr. Monaco highlighted re-engagement supports at St Charles, all high schools including Martin's Manor, Notre Dame and Regina's Place. Mrs. Musgraves explained the role of the social workers with these at-risk students. She highlighted the systemic barriers that lead to dis-engagement. A question-answer period ensued.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD RE-ENGAGING STUDENTS - STUDENT SUCCESS UPDATES, DATED TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. A. D'Intino
 SECONDER: Mr. T. Iorio CARRIED

d) The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 1-8: Science and Technology (2022) Update

Mr. Hucal welcomed Ms. Niemiec who presented the report. She highlighted the importance of the sciences and technology in today's classrooms. The new curriculum beginning in September 2022 has added a coding strand that will help students increase their knowledge in this area. She explained that the planning and implementation process will be supported by Professional Development to support educators roll out the new curriculum. She presented examples of the resources used in the classrooms that further support this new learning.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, THE ONTARIO CURRICULUM, GRADES 1-8: SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (2022) UPDATE, DATED TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2020, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. M. Valvasori

SECONDER: Mr. A. D'Intino

CARRIED

- e) HWCD SB) System Science and Engineering Fair and Bay Area Science and Engineering Fair Summary Report

Mr. Hucal welcomed Mr. M. Trotta and Mrs. M. Trotta and thanked them for their dedication to this project. Mr. and Mrs. Trotta presented the report and highlighted the science fair activities and added a special thank you to Mr. R. Hehenkamp, Senior Application Specialist Information System Support Analyst and Mr. M Noronha, Technology Enabled Learning and Teaching Contact (K-12) for the technical support as the fair was virtual. Mr. M. Trotta outlined the award winners.

MOTION:

THAT THE REPORT, HAMILTON-WENTWORTH CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD SYSTEM SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR & BAY AREA SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR SUMMARY REPORT, DATED TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

MOVER: Mr. P. Homerski

SECONDER: Mr. J. Valvasori

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 7:46 p.m.

Mr. J. Baiardo
Chairperson

Mr. M. Hucal
Secretary