



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
June 12, 2007, 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Chair: B. Iannicca
Vice-Chair: E. O'Toole

Trustees: A. Abbruscato J. Anderson T. da Silva
L. del Rosario F. Di Cosola S. Hobin
M. Pascucci T. Thomas L. Zanella

Student Representatives: L. D'Souza N. Garcia

Director of Education: M. G. Bator
Associate Director: Instructional Services: R. Borrelli
Associate Director: Corporate Services: J. B. Kostoff

Superintendents: J. Geiser J. Fitzgibbon L. Kazimowicz
E. McGuire P. McMorrow S. McWatters
M. Mazzorato J. P. Melito N. Milanetti
G. Prajza M. Prospero C. Saytar
A. Tucciarone

General Managers: R. Lawton D. McFadden G. Robinson
J. Steele

Chair, Co-Management Team: N. Hartmann

Recorder: D. Reed

A Routine Matters

- 1 Call to Order and Attendance
Chair B. Iannicca called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m
2. Opening Prayer
Chair B. Iannicca led in the Opening Prayer.
3. Approval of the Agenda

The following changes were made to the agenda:

Addition – Open Session:

F 5 – Retirement Letter

H 4 and H 5 – Revised Recommendations

Additions – In Camera Session:

L 8 and L 9

Motion 698 (07-06-22) by S. Hobin Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

4. Declaration of Interest
Nil

5. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, May 22, 2007

Motion 699 (07-06-22) by T. Thomas Seconded by T. da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF
MAY 22, 2007 BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

ii) Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

B Awards and Presentations
Nil

C Pastor's Remarks
Nil

D Delegations

1. New Schools In the North East Area of Brampton – L. Sanginesi

L. Sanginesi resides in the Ward 10 area of Brampton in a community called the Highlands of Castlemore and has children attending Holy Spirit Elementary School. She asked the board to hear the concerns of parents living in the new areas of the board and to demonstrate commitment to serve the developing communities.

Motion 700 (07-06-22) by J. Anderson Seconded by T. da Silva

THAT THE DELEGATION BY LINDA SANGINESI REGARDING NEW
SCHOOL IN THE NORTH EAST AREA OF BRAMPTON BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

2. Holy Name of Mary Secondary School – C. Amlinger

C. Amlinger, Chair of the Holy Name of Mary Secondary School Council, expressed the gratitude of the Holy Name of Mary School Community to the trustees for supporting the legacy of Holy Name of Mary Secondary School.

Motion 701 (07-06-22) by S. Hobin Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE DELEGATION ON BEHALF OF HOLY NAME OF MARY
SECONDARY SCHOOL BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

E Information/Reports From Trustees, For Receipt

i) Regular Reports

1. Thank You Remarks – L. D’Souza and N. Garcia, Student Representatives

Leah D’Souza

Good Evening,

This being my last Board meeting, I'd like to take this moment to personally thank all the staff, administration and trustees of the DPCDSB. Being given the opportunity to become the Student Trustee has definitely been a blessing and a learning experience. I have to admit, it was rather intimidating when I sat at my first Board Meeting with the Minister of Education, Kathleen Wynn on my left and all the press around us. However, thanks to all the trustees and especially individuals such as Cathy Saytar and Eileen McNeil, everyone helped me to feel more welcome and become comfortable. I'd like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for granting me with this opportunity. I have seen first hand how our school board continues to fight for the needs of our students.

Thank you and God Bless.

Natalie Garcia

I would to like to start off by saying that I have been in Student Council since I started high school. This year I was Vice President but for the past few months I have assumed President responsibilities. I have learned a lot about leadership and organization here and I have been able to apply those skills when I run meeting events. I am very grateful for that. This has been a very rewarding experience for me. I really enjoy coming to meetings every month. I love being aware of what is going on in our schools. Everyone here has always been so nice and welcoming. You all really care about our schools. Thank you for everything. I wish you the best in the future.

God Bless

Motion 702 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THANK THE REMARKS FROM L. D’SOUZA AND NATALIE GARCIA,
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Trustee A. Abbruscato thanked the students for representing their schools and for doing such a fine job.

ii) Good News Items - Bruno Iannicca, Chair

1. d'Youville Students win Making the Grade video contest

The Grade 11 Communications Technology class at St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary School was recently named winner of CBC TV's *Making the Grade* video contest. The winning segment, "*Nothing Isn't Always Nothing*", which was produced as an assignment by students Gina Simone, Gabriel Toala, Lynn Sheehy, features ideas about how to make the community a better place. Congratulations to these students and to their teachers Mark deWitte and Peter Fujiwara

2. St. Brigid student to be published in poetry anthology

Life, a poem written by Candice D'sousa, a Grade 7 student at St. Brigid School, was selected to be published in the spring 2007 hardbound anthology *Celebration of Young Poets*. This anthology reflects the insights and perspective of today's youth. Congratulations to Candice.

3. Student-written play nominated for Sears Festival award

Grade 12 Dramatic Arts students Justine Robles, Bianca Schmutz and Romina Valdivia from St. Joseph Secondary School have recently been nominated for the Sears Festival *Wayne Fairhead Playwriting Award* for their innovative one-act play entitled, "Happy Families Have White Picket Fences". The play follows the lives of three exceptionally distinct women who are forced to interact with each other and find out they have a lot more in common than they first believed. *White Picket Fences* was chosen as one of six finalists, with the winner to be announced later this month. The festival organizers have also chosen this original work to be the opening play at the Summer Works festival held this August in Toronto.

4. d'Youville and Cabot student recipients of Top 20 Under 20 Award

Gavin Bennett, a Grade 12 student at St. Marguerite d'Youville Secondary School, and Sophia Gran-Ruaz, a Grade 9 student at John Cabot Catholic Secondary School were recently chosen as recipient of Top 20 Under 20 Awards, which honour young Canadians who have demonstrated a significant level of achievement, innovation and leadership. Gavin launched Rivera Technologies, a non-profit program, which provides free computer camps to children in underprivileged areas. Sophia created a children's charity called Snug as a Bug when she was only 11 years old! Sophia's charity provides children staying in shelters with care packages to hopefully make their stay a little less frightening. Last year, over 2,200 packages were delivered to various shelters. Congratulations Gavin and Sophia.

F Information/Reports From Administration, For Receipt

1. Letter of Retirement – M. G. Bator, Director of Education

Trustee A. Abbruscato, thanked the Director for his 35 years involvement in Dufferin-Peel and noted that it will be hard for anyone to follow in his footsteps.

Trustee M. Pascucci spoke about the Director's honesty and integrity and how he treats everyone with respect. On behalf of himself and his family he wished the Director well.

Vice-Chair E. O'Toole thanked the Director for the personal growth she has been able to achieve while he has been Director and how he encouraged that growth throughout the board. She also noted her appreciation for the open and transparent way in which he led this Board. Trustee O'Toole extended her congratulations and commented on how much he would be missed.

Trustee L. Zanella remarked that Director Bator has been the only director she has known. She also noted that this Board is a dynamic board because of him. She expressed her gratitude for his support.

Trustee T. da Silva thanked the Director for his years of service and expressed his appreciation of the support he gave him through these challenging times.

Trustee F. Di Cosola talked about the personal touch that Director Bator brought to the job. He wished him peace and happiness.

Trustee T. Thomas said it was a privilege to work with the Director and wished him and his family all the best.

Trustee S. Hobin thanked the Director for his support on behalf of all parents and students who have been impacted by his leadership.

Trustee L. del Rosario spoke about the Director's calm way in handling matters and noted that he has been a rock for the Dufferin-Peel community.

Trustee J. Anderson thanked the Director for what he has done for her during the times she was an employee and now as a trustee. She talked about her respect for his leadership in both good times and bad.

Chair B. Iannicca congratulated the Director on his retirement and spoke about his indebtedness to family and how that has been instilled in trustees, supervisory officers, principals and vice-principals. On behalf of his colleagues, executive staff and students, Trustee Iannicca thanked the Director for his leadership.

Motion 703 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM M. G. BATOR, DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.

CARRIED

2. March 31, 2007 Enrolment Report – J. P. Melito

Motion 704 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD REGARDING MARCH 31, 2007
ENROLMENTS BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

3. Prohibitive to Repair Submissions– J. P. Melito

Motion 705 (07-06-22) by T. Thomas Seconded by J. Anderson

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
RECEIVE THE REPORT ENTITLED "PROHIBITIVE TO REPAIR
SUBMISSION".

CARRIED

4. Acceptance of Out of Boundary Students – J. B. Kostoff and R. Borrelli

Motion 706 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE REPORT ENTITLED ACCEPTANCE OF OUT OF BOUNDARY
STUDENTS BE REFERRED TO THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2007
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

CARRIED

Trustees briefly discussed issues of concern with respect to out of boundary students and asked that this matter be addressed in the September report. Associate Director of Corporate Services, J. B. Kostoff, indicated that staff would look into Peel Board's policy and report back. Associate Director Kostoff also noted that they have a legal opinion stating that families cannot have a student in each board.

5. Letter of Retirement – G. Khalid, Principal

Motion 707 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM G. KHALID, PRINCIPAL, BE
RECEIVED WITH REGRET.

CARRIED

M. G. Bator, Director of Education, remarked that the retirement letter was delivered to him personally and that on behalf of senior staff he extended his best wishes in her retirement. She wanted to extend to the Board her sincere appreciation for the community that we have here in Dufferin-Peel and her opportunity to participate in it.

G Reports From Committees For Receipt

1. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meetings, May 16 and May 30, 2007

Motion 707a (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS, MAY 16, 2007 AND MAY 30, 2007 BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, May 10, 2007

Motion 708 (07-06-22) by L. del Rosario Seconded by T. da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, MAY 10, 2007

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the Brampton Public Library Board Meeting, April 17, 2007

Motion 709 (07-06-22) by T. da Silva Seconded by J. Anderson

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING, APRIL 17, 2007 BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

H Trustee, Administration, Committee Reports Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting of June 4, 2007 – A. Abbruscato

The notes with regard to the delegation on behalf of C. Napolitano were amended to read as follows: The family was also asked to pursue the matter with the City of Mississauga, who they claimed built the original fence.

In response to Trustee M. Pascucci's question, E. McGuire, Superintendent of Schools, advised that a meeting with a family representative and the principal has been scheduled for June 13, 2007.

Motion 710 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by F. Di Cosola

1. THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, JUNE 4, 2007, BE RECEIVED AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

Motion 711 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by F. Di Cosola

2. THAT THE DATE FOR STUDENT SELECTION OF COURSES BE EXTENDED TO JUNE 15, 2007.

CARRIED

Motion 712 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by F. Di Cosola

3. THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT ESTABLISHMENT IN PRINCIPLE THE CREATION OF AN ALL GIRLS SCHOOL FOR SEPTEMBER 2008 AND THAT STAFF REPORT ON A VARIETY OF OPTIONS FOR THAT SCHOOL.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Faith of the Program and Faith Committee Meeting of June 11, 2007 – M. Pascucci

Motion 713 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by L. Zanella

1. THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2007 BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 714 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by L. Zanella

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEND A LETTER TO THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO AND THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION ASKING THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO RECOGNIZE THE CHALLENGES OF BILL 52 AND THAT THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDING IN PARTNERSHIP AT MINIMUM WITH MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES IN ORDER FOR DUFFERIN-PEEL TO REACH THE REQUIREMENTS PROPOSED IN BILL 52.

CARRIED

Motion 715 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by L. Zanella

3. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REPORT "THE BOARD PLAN TO IMPROVE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT WITH A FOCUS ON SPECIAL EDUCATION PLANS – JUNE 2007: A WORKING DOCUMENT" BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

3. St. John the Baptist Elementary School Addition – J. P. Melito

Motion 716 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by J. Anderson

1. THAT THE REPORT ON "THE OPENING OF TENDERS FOR ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION" BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 717 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by J. Anderson

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION TO PEGAH CONSTRUCTION LTD. SUBJECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,198,000.00 EXCLUDING G.S.T.

CARRIED

Motion 717 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by T. da Silva

3. THAT THE REPORT BE DIRECTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR DIRECTION.

CARRIED

4. St. Faustina Elementary School Addition – J. P. Melito

Motion 718 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by T. Thomas

1. THAT THE REPORT ON "THE OPENING OF TENDERS FOR ST. FAUSTINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION" BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 719 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by T. Thomas

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ST. FAUSTINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION TO KESSAB GENERAL CONTRACTING CO. LTD. SUBJECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$840,000.00 EXCLUDING G.S.T.

CARRIED

Motion 720 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by T. Thomas

3. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPROVED A REVISED BUDGET OF \$1,200,000. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ST. FAUSTINA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION TO BE FUNDED THROUGH NEW PUPIL PLACE AND PRIMARY CLASS SIZE REDUCTION GRANTS.

CARRIED

Motion 721 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by T. Thomas

4. THAT THE REPORT BE DIRECTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR DIRECTION.

CARRIED

5. St. Nicholas Elementary School Addition – J. P. Melito

Motion 722 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by T. da Silva

1. THAT THE REPORT ON "THE OPENING OF TENDERS FOR ST. NICHOLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION" BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 723 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by T. da Silva

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ST. NICHOLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION TO KCL CONTRACTING & ENGINEERING LTD. SUBJECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,084,000.00 EXCLUDING G.S.T.

CARRIED

Motion 724 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by T. da Silva

3. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE A REVISED BUDGET OF \$1,560,000. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ST. NICHOLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDITION TO BE FUNDED THROUGH NEW PUPIL PLACE AND PRIMARY CLASS SIZE REDUCTION GRANTS.

CARRIED

Motion 725 (07-06-22) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by T. da Silva

4. THAT THE REPORT BE DIRECTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR DIRECTION.

CARRIED

6. Credit Valley # 1 Elementary School – Site Approval – J. P. Melito

Motion 726 (07-06-22) by L. Zanella Seconded by T. da Silva

1. THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGARDING CREDIT VALLEY #1 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE APPROVAL BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 727 (07-06-22) by L. Zanella Seconded by T. da Silva

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ADVISE THE CITY OF BRAMPTON THAT THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS BE INCORPORATED IN THE CONDITIONS OF DRAFT APPROVAL FOR PLAN OF SUBDIVISION 21T-01040B:

- i) THAT PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OF THE PLAN, THAT SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE WITH THE

DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE ACQUISITION OR RESERVATION FOR FUTURE ACQUISITION OF THE SCHOOL BLOCK 337 DESIGNATED IN THE PLAN FOR CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PURPOSES.

- ii) THAT PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OF THE PLAN, THE CLEARING, GRUBBING, ENGINEERED FILLING WHERE REQUIRED, AND GRADING OF SCHOOL BLOCK 337 BE CARRIED OUT TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD. THIS INCLUDES THE REMOVAL OF ANY AND ALL BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES, TANKS AND UTILITY STRUCTURES.

- iii) THAT PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OF THE PLAN FARM FENCING BE ERECTED AROUND THE PERIMETER OF BLOCK 337 TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.

- iv) THAT THE DESIGNATION OF SCHOOL BLOCK 337 AS A CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE IS SUBJECT TO THE COMPLETION OF A SOILS REPORT, OF WHICH THE FINDINGS WILL BE ADDRESSED BY THE APPLICANT TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.

- v) THAT THE FOLLOWING CLAUSES BE INSERTED IN THE SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT AND IN ALL OFFERS OF PURCHASE AND SALE FOR RESIDENTIAL UNITS UNTIL THE PERMANENT SCHOOL FOR THE AREA IS COMPLETE:
 - (a) "WHEREAS, DESPITE THE BEST EFFORTS OF THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD, SUFFICIENT ACCOMMODATION MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR ALL ANTICIPATED STUDENTS FROM THE AREA, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT STUDENTS MAY BE ACCOMMODATED IN TEMPORARY FACILITIES AND/OR BUSSED TO SCHOOL OUTSIDE OF THE AREA, AND FURTHER, THAT STUDENTS MAY LATER BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD SCHOOL.

 - (b) "THAT THE PURCHASERS AGREE THAT FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE SCHOOL, THE RESIDENTS OF THE SUBDIVISION SHALL AGREE THAT CHILDREN WILL MEET THE BUS ON ROADS PRESENTLY IN EXISTENCE OR AT ANOTHER DESIGNATED PLACE CONVENIENT TO THE BOARD.

- vi) THAT WARNING SIGNS BE ERECTED AT ALL MAJOR ENTRANCES INTO THE SUBDIVISION ADVISING PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS AS FOLLOWS:
NOTICE:
PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT STUDENTS MAY BE ACCOMMODATED ELSEWHERE ON A TEMPORARY BASIS UNTIL SUITABLE

PERMANENT PUPIL PLACES, FUNDED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO, ARE AVAILABLE.

- v) THAT A CLAUSE AND SECURITIES BE INCLUDED IN THE SUBDIVISION AGREEMENT THAT PROHIBITS THE STOCKPILING OF ANY SOILS OR MATERIAL ON SCHOOL BLOCK 337 AND GUARANTEES THAT ANY EXISTING STOCKPILED MATERIAL BE REMOVED.

CARRIED

Motion 728 (07-06-22) by L. Zanella Seconded by T. da Silva

- 3. THAT THE REPORT BE REFERRED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR DIRECTION.

CARRIED

7. Transportation Governance Task Force – J. P. Melito

Motion 729 (07-06-22) by S. Hobin Seconded by E. O’Toole

- 1. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD RECEIVE THIS REPORT ENTITLED TRANSPORTATION GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE.

CARRIED

Motion 730 (07-06-22) by E. O’Toole Seconded by S. Hobin

- 2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPROVE CREATION OF THE TRANSPORTATION GOVERNANCE TASK FORCE TO PROVIDE INPUT INTO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNANCE MODEL TO OVERSEE THE OPERATIONS OF THE JOINT TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

CARRIED

Motion 731 (07-06-22) by E. O’Toole Seconded by S. Hobin

- 3. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD APPOINT TRUSTEE MEMBERSHIP AS DESCRIBED ABOVE.

CARRIED

The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board’s Task Force will consist of Chair B. Iannicca, Vice-Chair E. O’Toole, Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee A. Abbruscato, Trustee J. Anderson, and Trustee F. Di Cosola.

In response to a question from a Trustee if meetings would be during the day or evenings, J. P. Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, noted that staff

is mindful that some Trustees are unavailable during the day, but staff is open to the wishes of the Task Force. Staff will canvass Trustees for appropriate days and times at a later date.

Motion 732 (07-06-22) by E. O'Toole Seconded by S. Hobin

4. THAT THE REPORT BE DIRECTED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM FOR DIRECTION.

CARRIED

8. Permanent, Long-Term Financing of the Costs of Capital Projects
– J. D. Fitzgibbon

J. D. Fitzgibbon, Superintendent of Financial Services, explained that this report requests that we debenture \$118.1 million which represents the costs to permanently finance the projects outlined in appendix # 2 of the report. The term of the debenture will be for 25 years at an estimated rate of 6%.

Motion 733 (07-06-22) by T. Thomas Seconded by E. O'Toole

1. THAT THIS REPORT ENTITLED "PERMANENT, LONG-TERM FINANCING OF THE COSTS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS" BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 734 (07-06-22) by T. Thomas Seconded by E. O'Toole

2. THAT THIS REPORT ENTITLED "PERMANENT, LONG-TERM FINANCING OF THE COSTS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS" BE FORWARDED TO THE CO-MANAGEMENT CHAIR FOR APPROVAL.

CARRIED

9. New Policy Re: Advocacy Expenditures – J. D. Fitzgibbon

J. B. Kostoff, Associate Director of Corporate Services, noted that the Ministry of Education Policy Memoranda B:15 requires boards to develop an Advocacy Policy and that the Policy be posted on the board web page. Dufferin-Peel's Policy will be posted before the end of June 2007. Board Policy #8.14 identifies that the Board will seek advocacy for denominational issues related to Catholic Education and to advocate for the Board in areas that may impact the viability or quality of our school system. Board Regulation #8.14 outlines where funds will and will not be used.

Motion 735 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by J. Anderson

1. THAT THIS REPORT ENTITLED "NEW POLICY RE: ADVOCACY EXPENDITURES" BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Associate Director Kostoff explained that inappropriate advocacy expenditures refer to funds used when entering into a political discussion.

Motion 735 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by J. Anderson

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ADOPT THE NEW POLICY AND REGULATIONS #8.14 – ADVOCACY EXPENDITURES.

CARRIED

I Notices of Motion

Notice of Motion to Reconsider the Replacement School for the Loyola Secondary School Community

WHEREAS the Loyola school community requires an updated facility to provide needed programs, and

WHEREAS the current Holy Name of Mary Secondary School community requires a facility,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board reconsider the motion for the replacement school for Loyola Catholic Secondary School that will also consider the future needs of Holy Name of Mary Secondary School.

Submitted by Trustee M. Pascucci, Wards 1 and 3

Motion 735 (07-06-22) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by J. Anderson

1. THAT THE NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY TRUSTEE M. PASCUCCI REGARDING RECONSIDERATION OF THE REPLACEMENT SCHOOL FOR THE LOYOLA SECONDARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

The Director of Education, M. G. Bator, explained that under the by-laws there is provision for any trustee to put forth a Notice of Motion and a process that must be followed. One is that there is no debate regarding that Notice of Motion at the time that it is put forth. With the consent of two-thirds of all trustees present, the matter may be reconsidered at any meeting held thereafter, provided that the notice of motion procedure has been followed.

The Notice of Motion is for discussion at a future Board meeting.

J Additional Business

1. Report by N. Hartmann, Chair of the Co-Management Team

Mr. Chairman:

The Co-Management process was designed to restore long-term financial stability to the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board. Working together with trustees, staff, and community, it has sought to achieve the financial flexibility required to deliver quality programs and services to students across the Board.

Co-management is a multi-stage process. It has included:

- introducing temporary expenditure constraints to reduce the operating deficit to manageable levels;
- aligning on-going expenditures more closely to revenues to eliminate the structural deficit;
- establishing processes and structures to ensure continued financial stability in the future; and
- re-investing in programs and services that enhance the educational experiences and achievements of our students.

With the co-operation and assistance of all parties, significant progress has been made. Operating deficits have been substantially reduced, by-laws that regulate the financial decision making process have been put in place, and a new budget development process has been implemented.

Tonight represents another important milestone in the co-management process.

On June 4, 2007, staff presented the Administration and Finance Committee with a draft budget that sets expenditures for 2007-2008 at \$691.3 M against revenues of \$689.6M for an in-year operating deficit of \$1.7M and a balanced capital budget estimated at \$72.5M. As indicated in the staff report expenditures in most areas will increase in the coming academic year. Over-all expenditures are up by more than 4% over revised estimates. A summary of the staff proposal is contained in Appendix A.

After listening to the debate at the Administration and Finance Committee meeting and reviewing the concerns raised through the Budget Consultation Process, I wish to advise the Board that I am prepared to approve the 2007-2008 budget proposal. The proposal developed by your staff:

- meets the in-year deficit reduction targets set out in “Moving Forward Together -- the \$16.6 M operating deficit forecast for 2006-2007 has virtually been eliminated in 2007-2008, and now stands at \$1.7M;
- eliminates the Board structural deficit a full year ahead of schedule;
- reduces the 2006-2007 carry-over deficit by almost one-half; and,
- achieves these objectives by using measures that have proven successful at the board in the past, as well as at other boards.

In doing so, the proposal lays the foundation for future stability and success.

More importantly, however, the proposal also begins the process of re-investing in the future. Throughout the budget consultation process we heard that such re-investments were needed to ensure success for all students. Elementary schools noted that school budgets were stretched at the levels that were set for 2006-2007. Secondary schools indicated that the ability to adequately supervise students was being compromised and the special education community argued that more needed to be done to address programs and services. This proposal begins the process of responding to these concerns:

- for the elementary panel, schools budgets will be increased by 5% over the 2006-2007 level. This will add approximately \$400,000 to support activities, resources and services for students;
- in the secondary panel, the equivalent of a 5% re-investment in school budgets will be used to address supervision concerns. The lunchroom supervisor proposal developed by the secondary school principals work-group will form the basis of the program;
- for the special education community, the freeze on vacancies will be lifted as of May 31, 2007. This will allow psychologists, speech pathologists and social workers to be replaced as vacancies occur.

I wish to thank everyone involved in the development of this budget proposal. It represents a significant move forward by providing flexibility next year, and in the future, for the delivery of quality programs and services at Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.

Efficiency and Effectiveness Review

At last month's Board meeting I indicated that the Ministry of Education had agreed to assist in evaluating the routing proposals contained in the review of the Integrated Transportation System. I am pleased to report that the Ministry will provide a grant of \$80,000 plus expenses to allow the two Boards to enter into a contract to evaluate the impact of changing routing practices. It is hoped to have the results available for consideration within four to six months.

Decisions

I also wish to advise the Board that the following recommendations have been approved:

1. the permanent long-term financing of \$118,107,000 of debenture debt through the Ontario School Board Financing Corporation. This new issue sets out total debenture debt financed through the New Pupil Place Grant at \$609,471,722;
2. the award of the contract for renovations to Robert F. Hall Secondary School to Steelcase construction in the amount of \$1.4M funded from the facility renewal grant;
3. funding of the addition to St. Rita Elementary School through primary class size reduction capital grant;
4. funding of the Northwest Sandalwood Elementary School through the Pupil Accommodation Grant.

In order to expedite the business of the Board during the summer months, the following recommendations made this evening are also approved:

1. award of construction contracts for additions to the following elementary schools
 - a. St John the Baptist to Pegah Construction Ltd
 - b. St Faustina to Kessab Contracting Co. Ltd, and
 - c. St Nicholas to KCL Contracting and Engineering Ltd
2. conditions for the draft approval of plan of subdivision 21T01040B contained in the staff report on the matter.

As always, Mr. Chairman, I stand ready to address any questions the trustees may have.

Motion 736 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci Seconded by L del Rosario

THAT THE REPORT BY N. HARTMANN, CHAIR OF THE CO-MANAGEMENT TEAM, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

In response to questions about Extended French programs, N. Hartmann advised that in consultation with Executive Council, it was decided that at this time, due to budget constraints, no new classes will be established and that we would be concentrating on core programs.

With regard to a question about declining enrolment driven by budget, N. Hartmann explained that key pieces of this budget could have eliminated the deficit but a decision was made to re-invest in some areas. This budget will allow the board to look at optional areas next year.

K Questions Asked by, and of, Board Members

1. Trustee A. Abbruscato commented that Mr. Hartmann acknowledged that this Board is underfunded in the area of transportation.
2. In response to Trustee M. Pascucci's inquiry regarding computers not in use, J. B. Kostoff, Associate Director of Corporate Services, advised that currently the board owns very few computers. A few years ago the board went with a leasing platform. Also, the Board has a process in place for distribution of old computers because the money belongs to the public.
3. In response to the issue raised by Trustee S. Hobin regarding one family sending children to coterminous boards, J. B. Kostoff, Associate Director of Education, indicated that the issue has been raised with the Ministry of Education in the past and that it would require a change in the regulations.

L Business/Questions/Information In Camera

Motion 737 (07-06-22) by M. Pascucci

Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE BOARD RESOLVE INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE IN CAMERA SESSION.

CARRIED

M Rise and Report

Motion 738 (07-06-22) by J. Anderson

Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA BE PRESENTED AND THAT THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED

N Future Meetings
Regular Board Meeting, July 24, 2007
Regular Board Meeting, August 28, 2007

O Adjournment

Motion 739 (07-06-22) by T. Thomas

Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

CARRIED