Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 26, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

A Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance
   Chair M. Pascucci called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer
   Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci, led the Opening Prayer.
3. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared in interest in agenda items:
A 5 – Board Minutes, November 27, 2012 (H 1-Contract and Negotiations Committee Minutes October 23, 2012)
H 1 – Report – Proposed Multi-Year Strategy – Accumulated Surplus
G 6 – Report – Projected Cost of Revised Secondary Eligibility
A 6 – Minutes of Special Board Meeting – December 28, 2012
H 1 – Minutes of Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting – December 11, 2012
H 7 – Report – Multi Year Strategy – Accumulated Surplus – Update
L - Trustees also declared an interest for items in the In-Camera Agenda of the January 22, 2013 Board Meeting
H 1 – Minutes of the Faith & Program Meeting, February 11, 2013, Item 2 – Approval of Motion Regarding Utilization of $75,000 of Accumulated Surplus to Fund Smaller FDK Classes a Six Schools.

A. Abbruscato – Family members belong to OECTA
A. da Silva – Family members belongs to OECTA
F. Di Cosola – Family member works for another board (With the exception of H 1 – Minutes of the Faith and Program Meeting),
S. Hobin – Family members belong to OECTA
B. Iannicca – Family member belongs to CUPE 2026
M. Pascucci – Family member belongs to OECTA
L. Zanella – Family member belongs to OECTA
Student Trustee K. Michael – Family member works for another Board

4. Approval of the Agenda

Trustee E. O’Toole appealed to the Board to include a delegation with regard to the lottery process for the French Immersion Program.

**Motion 091 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole Seconded by S. Hobin**

**THAT THE DELEGATION REGARDING THE LOTTERY PROCESS FOR THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM BE HEARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 6.7. CARRIED**

The following agenda items were added to the agenda:
Open Session – D 1 – Delegation
In Camera L 7, L8 and L9
i) Approval of Consent of Calendar Item

**Motion 092 (13-02-26) by T. Thomas Seconded by S. Hobin**

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.

*CARRIED*

5. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, January 22, 2013

**Motion 093 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole Seconded by P. Ferreira**

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 22, 2013, BE APPROVED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF:


H 1 MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 11, 2013, ITEM 2 – APPROVAL OF MOTION REGARDING UTILIZATIO OF $75,000. OF ACCUMULATED SURPLUS TO FUND SMALLER FDK CLASSES AT SIX SCHOOLS.

*CARRIED*

The trustees who declared an interest left the meeting prior to approving the following sections of the minutes:

**Motion 094 (13-02-26) by P. Ferreira Seconded by T. Thomas**

THAT ITEMS:

i) Business Arising from the Minutes
Nil

The trustees who declared an interest joined the meeting in session.

B  Awards and Presentations

1 & 2 Holy Name of Mary students Joanna Dziedzic and Rabia Tanvir and Bus Driver Valentine Suvaminathan – J. B. Kostoff

In honouring students Joanna Dziedzic and Rabia Tanvir, and bus driver Valentine Suvaminathan, J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education noted that heroes are ordinary people who do extraordinary things.

On December 14, 2012, a school bus operated by Valentine Suvaminathan, an employee of Attridge Transportation was travelling outbound from Holy Name of Mary Secondary School with eight students on board when Mr. Suvaminathan suffered a severe medical issue. He courageously maintained control of his vehicle and was able to safely bring it to a stop on the shoulder of the road.

Acting quickly, Ms. Dziedzic called 911, while Ms. Tanvir called Attridge on their cell phones. Emergency Services arrived promptly but, sadly, Mr. Suvaminathan passed away.

The board honoured Mr. Suvaminathan for his dedication to the safety of the students in his care and for his courageous actions in bringing his bus to a safe stop. His actions, no doubt, prevented what could have been a greater tragedy. The Director called upon the family members of Mr. Suvaminathan for presentation of a print as a token of appreciation of his actions.

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, called upon students Ms. Dziedzic and Ms. Tanvir, whose actions in attempting to save Mr. Suvaminathan personify the spirit of leadership and courage in the face of pressure that stand as examples for all us.

Motion 095 (13-02-26) by S. McLauchlan Seconded by E. O’Toole

THAT THE PRESENTATION TO HOLY NAME OF MARY STUDENTS JOANNA DZIEDZIC AND RADIA TANVIR, AND THE FAMILY MEMBERS OF BUS DRIVER VALENTINE SUVAMINATHAN BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED
1. Presentation of Charitable Donation to the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Social Work Department – B. Bjarnason

B. Bjarnason, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, along with S. Cox, Acting Manager of Planning and T. Miles, Manager, ICT Service Desk, outlined the fundraising efforts of CEC and Keaton staff that take place throughout the year which benefit the Dufferin-Peel community through the work of the Social Work Department. G. Carley, Chief Social Work thanked CEC and Keaton staff for their efforts and generosity and used anecdotes to illustrate how the funds raised are used to support students and families within the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.

Motion 097(13-02-26) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE PRESENTATION OF CHARITABLE DONATION TO THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

C Pastor’s Remarks
Nil

D Delegations

1. Delegation Regarding Process for the French Immersion Program

C. Neuhold, Parent delegated the Board regarding the lottery process for admittance to the French Immersion program in Grade 1. C. Neuhold has a son in the French Immersion program in Mississauga and would like her daughter to be admitted to the same school.

In her delegation C. Neuhold advised that she, along with many other parents, have applied at all eight French Immersion sites in the hopes that their child will have a placement in the program. The result being that parents in the north may be driving to schools in the south and vice-versa.

C. Neuhold respectfully requested allowance for students to be placed in the same school as their siblings.

Following the presentation, trustees asked various questions of staff. R. Borrelli, Associated Director of Instructional Services advised that when information sessions are held, staff make it abundantly clear that the lottery system must be used due to the limited number of spaces.

Staff was asked to review the process going forward.
Motion 098 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole

THAT THE DELEGATION REGARDING THE PROCESS FOR THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Following receipt of the delegation, staff was asked to review the French Immersion process.

E  Information/Reports From Trustees, For Receipt

i)  Regular Reports

1.  Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) Update – L. Zanella

Since the last report to Administration and Finance Committee, the STOPR Governance Committee has held two meetings January 18, 2013 and February 15, 2013.

The following issues were addressed at the January 18, 2013 meeting:

- The Governance Committee received a report outlining proposed school areas for eligibility reassessments. A list of schools to undergo eligibility reassessment together with a brief description of the assessment is currently being forwarded to trustees, prior to notifying parents. STOPR staff is determining whether the reassessments are ready to proceed for fall, 2013. Superintendent Bjarnason will meet with area trustees regarding any reassessments that will proceed this fall which will impact St. Cornelius, St. Pio of Pietreicina, St. Valentine, San Lorenzo Ruiz and St. Marguerite d’Youville Catholic Secondary School.

  Reassessments and communication of revised eligibility to effected schools and parents will be completed by late March/early April.

- The Committee received a report pertaining to initiation of the bell time adjustment process for 2013-2014. This process will commence February 1 and includes consideration of both proposed bell time adjustments received from school principals and adjustments generated by STOPR route planning staff. The objective is to achieve enhanced routing efficiency and, therefore, minimized cost. The bell time adjustment process will be completed by early April.

- A summary report on the Bus Operator RFP process and results was received as information. The report provided an overview of the RFP process, staff review and successful companies. The five successful bus operators all currently provide transportation services to STOPR.
• STOPR Governance Committee approved revisions to the Transportation Appeal Form. The revised form includes clarification that Appeals pertain exclusively to operational issues, which STOPR is not positioned to address exceptions to Boards’ policies, and that requests must be supported by rationale.

• The Committee was advised that the annual school bus survey conducted across North America identifies that STOPR continues to be the largest school bus operation in Canada and sixth largest operation in North America.

The following issues were addressed at the February 15, 2013 meeting:

• Implementation of an annual process to communicate potential transportation eligibility status change due to grade level change was approved. For the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, this communication will target students in grades 1, 4 and 8 to advise of increased distance criteria at their next grade level. This information will initially be forwarded in April to all schools for inclusion in their spring newsletters. The same information will subsequently be provided to schools in June for inclusion with each student report card for students in the three specified grade levels.

• Governance Committee reviewed a draft revised information pamphlet. The revised pamphlet will retain existing information regarding eligibility, services provided, and contact information. It has been amended to include approved bus operators for 2013-2018 resultant from the RFP process. The pamphlet has also been revised to include an expanded explanation of the role of trustees and the process to address complaints. References to key operational processes, including Courtesy Transportation and Primary Protocol, have also been added. Subject to completion of minor amendments identified by the Governance Committee, the pamphlet will be produced for distribution to parents and students this spring.

• The Committee received a report regarding identification and implementation of new integrated transportation options. As no issues have been encountered with existing integrated routing, the Governance Committee established the following communication protocol for implementation of new integrated ridership routes:
  - letter to be provided annually each spring to all schools indicating the potential for implementation of integrated bus runs;
  - communication to be provided to each involved school when a new integrated transportation service has been identified for implementation;
  - annual report to be provided to STOPR Governance Committee identifying all new integrated runs and involved schools.

• The Governance Committee received a status report pertaining to implementation processes of bus operators which will be providing expanded volumes of service, commencing next year, as a result of the RFP process. To-date all bus operators have established an implementation plan and are on schedule with respect to fleet requirements, facility locations and
renovations, and driver recruitment. STOPR staff will continue to regularly monitor the progress of these bus operators to ensure expected service levels are in place effective September 2013.

The next meeting of the STOPR Governance Committee is scheduled for Friday, April 26, 2013.

**Motion 099 (13-02-26) by A. da Silva Seconded by B. Iannicca**

THAT THE STUDENT TRANSPORTATION OF PEEL REGIONS (STOPR) UPDATE, BE RECEIVED.

**CARRIED**

ii) Good News Items

1. Congratulations to the following members of the Dufferin-Peel family, who were recently presented with the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal:

   - Roman Yasinsky, a music teacher from St. Joan of Arc Secondary School, who received his medal for his “dedication, commitment and contributions to our community which have helped to build the Canada of today”, through his contributions to The Band of The Royal Regiment of Canada and Ukrainian Youth Ensembles.
   - Barbara Petricca, Head Secretary at St. Pio of Pietrelcina School, who received her medal for her “dedication, commitment and contributions to her school community.”
   - Erica Scarff, student at St. Marcellinus Secondary School, who received her medal for “helping bring comfort to children at The Hospital for Sick Children”, and
   - Louie Davoli, vice chair of CCCSAC, who received his medal for “his work as an ambassador for the Canadian Fallen Firefighters Foundation.”

   Congratulations to each of these members. We are very proud of all of you.

2. Students of John Cabot Catholic Secondary School and six of its local feeder schools: St. Sofia, St. Vincent de Paul, Canadian Martyrs, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, St. Pio of Pietrelcina and St. Charles Garner, combined their talents and their ‘hearts’ to create Valentine’s cards for Seniors at the Square One Older Adult Centre. The Square One Older Adult Centre is a non-profit organization committed to improving the lives of their members by providing affordable, social, health, recreational and multicultural programming to over 1700 members. The seniors really appreciated the thoughtfulness and sincerity of the students for warming their hearts and making them smile on Valentine’s Day; a day that could have been lonely and sad for some older adults who may have felt alone and forgotten.
3. Thanks to the hard work of teacher Odette Cornwall who helped to organize an excellent Black History presentation last Thursday evening at Loyola. Several teachers and students took part as well as the sound and light crew. The show was presented with a variety of performances in acting, songs, dances and poetry. Principal Giancola stated that “we have very talented students at Loyola and great teachers that draw out this talent from our students”.

Special thanks to Principal Nancy Levey for inviting me to the evening portion of the I Am Beautiful Day at All Saints School. The day focused on healthy living for girls with many seminars including yoga, a nutritionist and leadership speaker. There was a light supper where the moms and guardians were invited to attend to hear a guest speaker who spoke from her own experiences with bullying and physical challenges. A great day organized by Mrs. Levey and a wonderful teacher team.

Congratulations to Mississauga North students who took part in the speaking contest. Outstanding speakers with the following winners:

Intermediate Division
First Place - Luca Mauro “World Hunger” from Divine Mercy;
Second Place – Jacob Power “Gun Violence” from St. Richard;
Third Place – Jordan Barrack “Dr. Seuss” from Our Lady of Mercy.

Junior Division
First Place – Andrew Masucci “Being Invisible” from St. Bernard of Clairvaux;
Second Place – Hannah Dub “NHL Lockout” from St. Joseph;
Third Place – Nathan Nambiar “Bullying” from St. Faustina.

A Loyola alumna, Eric Dugas, who is in her fourth year at Brock University won the “Canadian Student Athlete Community Service Award” this weekend in Calgary while competing in the CIS Swimming Championships. Erica had already won the “Ontario Student – Athlete Community Service Award” earlier in the week. This award is among all the Canadian universities.

Erica is continuing to be an accomplished student, athlete (swimming) and community leader both at Brock University and in the St. Catharine/Niagara. While at Loyola, Erica was an outstanding student (honours), athlete (basketball, swimming, soccer) and leader. She was the S.A.A. president in her graduating year and has used the lessons learned at Loyola to further her accomplishments and reach all those around her with humour and great love.

Erica’s parents give great praise to Erica’s teachers at Loyola who supported her and helped her to be the bright young lady she is today. Erica is also a graduate of St. Mark. Erica has a long list of accomplishments including academic and those with the Brock Swim Team but those which gather most pride by she, her parents, her teachers and coaches are her involvement helping troubled youth through swimming, volunteer coach with two Special Olympic Teams, and has been a participant as a runner in the CIBC Run for the Cure. In May she travelled to El Salvador to promote physical activity with schools as a means to curb violence.
Erica’s mother feels very strongly that the teachers at Loyola impacted Erica’s life whether teacher, mentor or coach as it does truly take a village to raise a child. Her coach says and I paraphrase “Erica is completing her teaching degree year, and she is destined to take her leadership skills beyond our doors – to the great benefit of the world at large.”

4. Since last meeting the Brampton North East Family of Schools hosted a wonderful Diversity Conference at St. Thomas Aquinas. Approximately 18 elementary schools attended. Rising Stars did an amazing interactive presentation about individual gifts and the need to eliminate bullying within our society.

5. All schools in the board were busy with Shrove Tuesday pancake events and Ash Wednesday liturgies.

6. In celebration of Black History month, St. Patrick School did an anti-bullying presentation by HOZA while Father Clair Tipping did a wonderful wax museum featuring grade 6 students who, at the press of a button, came to life to tell their personal stories as significant figures in history.

7. Congratulations to St. Joan of Arc students who participated in the Art from the Heart Exhibit. Art from the Heart is a provocative exhibition by artists who have experienced adversity and challenge and have incorporated this into their artistic practice, inspiration and presentation.

8. Student Trustees M. Rafo and K. Michael traveled to Ottawa from February 21 to 25, 2013 for the Board Council Conferences hosted by OSTA-AECO. They had the opportunity to network with student trustees from the province, went to the Catholic Ottawa Mission to make 300 sandwiches for the homeless and went to professional development sessions hosted by Peace and Development. As well, the partnership program was released, which will allow students from DPCDSB and students across the province to submit initiatives and become a partner of OSTA-AECO. Also, student trustees had the opportunity to view the data from the Student Survey which was taken by 106,000 Ontario students.

Reports From Committees For Receipt For Receipt

1. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils, December 6, 2012 - E. O’Toole

Motion 100 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, DECEMBER 6, 2012, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED
2. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, January 23, 2013 - L. Zanella

Motion 101 (13-02-26) by L. Zanella  Seconded by P. Ferreira

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, JANUARY 23, 2013, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G Information/Reports From Administration, For Receipt

1. Letter of Retirement – E. McMahon, Principal

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, congratulated Principal E. McMahon on his 30 years as an educator in Dufferin-Peel encompassing a variety of position. Director Kostoff stated that E. McMahon is a strong supporter of Dufferin-Peel.

Trustee F. Di Cosola, on behalf of the community, thanked Principal McMahon for his commitment to Catholic Education.

Motion 102 (13-02-26) by F. Di Cosola  Seconded by S. McLauchlan

THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM E. McMAHON, PRINCIPAL, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.

CARRIED

2. Letter to the Honourable Laurel Broten, Minister of Education, Regarding Ontario Regulation 274/12 from P. McRae, Board Chair, Superior-Greenstone District School Board - J. B. Kostoff

Motion 103 (13-02-26) by S. Hobin  Seconded by A. da Silva

THAT THE LETTER TO THE HONOURABLE LAUREL BROTHEN, MINISTER OF EDUCATION, REGARDING ONTARIO REGULATION 274/12, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

3. Letter to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier Designate of Ontario from M. Pascucci, Chair of the Board – J. B. Kostoff

Motion 104 (13-02-26) by T. Thomas  Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE LETTER TO THE HONOURABLE KATHLEEN WYNNE, PREMIER DESIGNATE OF ONTARIO, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G. P. Robinson, Superintendent of Financial Services along with J. Cherepacha, Manager of Financial Services, summarized the information contained in the report. The purpose of the report was to provide trustees with a clear understanding of the status of the current year’s budget.

J. Cherepacha, General Manager of Financial Services, explained that the Interim Financial Report reflects the expenditures of the board Year-To-Date (YTD) September 1, 2012 to December 31, 2012. General Manager Cherepacha provided highlights of the report which encompassed areas such as financial, enrolment and staffing.

The financial results indicate that there are no budget concerns at this time.

Trustee F. Di Cosola asked that a column be added to the financial report.

Motion 105 (13-02-26) by S. McLauchlan Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE REPORT ENTITLED INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT – 4 MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

3. International Languages – Portuguese Consulate – S. McWatters

S. McWatters, Superintendent of Program and H. Viloria, Principal of Adult and Continuing Education, discussed the meeting with the coordinator for Instituto Camoes (the Portuguese Language Program and Education Affairs in Canada) and the Board’s Adult and Continuing Education department. The Portuguese government, in its effort to promote the study of the Portuguese language offered educational materials, at a significant discount, for students and teachers for the Board’s International Language-Portuguese program.

Principal H. Viloria reviewed particulars of the Board’s Memorandum of Understanding with the Instituto Camoes.

Trustee P. Ferreira thanked staff for their efforts on behalf of the Portuguese Language and Culture.

Trustee T. Thomas asked staff to explore the possibility of an International Language program at Holy Cross Catholic Elementary School to Accommodate Immigrants from South India.
Motion 106 (13-02-26) by P. Ferreira  Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE REPORT, INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES – PORTUGUESE CONSULATE, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Enrolment Cap Review – B. Bjarnason

B. Bjarnason, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, along with S. Cox, Acting Manager of Planning, identified that as a result of a review of secondary school enrolments some caps could be suspended or removed all together.

After discussion with the affected Family of Schools Superintendents, as well as area trustees for each Enrolment Capo Review, Planning staff recommended that the cap be suspended at St. Edmund Campion and St. Marguerite D’Youville and that the cap be removed at Cardinal Leger, Father Michael Goetz and St. Martin.

Trustees asked that the report be forwarded to them via e-mail.

Motion 107(13-02-26) by A. da Silva  Seconded by S. McLauchlan

THAT THE REPORT, ENROLMENT CAP REVIEW, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

5. Contingency Day (Verbal Report) – J. B. Kostoff

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, reviewed the expectations and protocol for secondary schools when transportation is cancelled or school is closed on a scheduled exam day. He indicated that a Contingency Day GAP is being developed, which will include communications expectations to ensure common practice, awareness and compliance of the protocol.

Motion 108 (13-02-26) by F. Di Cosola  Seconded by E. O’Toole

THAT THE CONTINGENCY DAY (VERBAL REPORT), BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED
Trustee, Administration, Committee Reports Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, February 11, 2013 - S. Hobin

Motion 109 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole Seconded by S. McLauchlan

1. THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 11, 2013, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 110 (13-02-26) by E. O’Toole Seconded by S. McLauchlan

2. THAT THE REPORT, 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Trustees who declared a conflict adjourned from the meeting prior to dealing with the following motion.

Motion 111(13-02-26) by S. McLauchlan Seconded by T. Thomas

3. THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE UTILIZATION OF SMALLER FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN CLASSES (<15 STUDENTS) AT THE FOLLOWING SIX SCHOOLS: BISHOP FRANCIS ALLEN, CARDINAL NEWMAN, ST. CLARE, ST. EDMUND, ST. LOUIS AND ST. SIMON STOCK AT A COST OF $75 THOUSAND TO BE FUNDED FROM ACCUMULATED SURPLUS.

CARRIED

The trustees joined the meeting in session.

2. Catholic Award of Merit – J. B. Kostoff

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, brought forward, for trustees’ consideration, the name of T. J. Reilly as a recipient of the Dufferin-Peel Catholic Award of Merit. Tom would be recognized for his work at the Completion of Catholic Secondary School Office. Tom has served as Director of Education, and was seconded by OCSTA, Catholic Code, Ontario Supervisory Officers and the Bishops of Ontario. Tom’s work has been recognized by the Bishops of Ontario, CODE, and OCSTA for his contribution to Catholic Education.

Motion 112(13-02-26) by L. Zanella Seconded by B. Iannicca

1. THAT THE REPORT, “NOMINATION FOR THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC AWARD OF MERIT”, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED
Motion 113 (13-02-26) by L. Zanella Seconded by B. Iannicca

2. THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC AWARD OF MERIT BE PRESENTED TO THOMAS J. (TOM) REILLY AT THE MAY 2013 BOARD MEETING.  
   CARRIED

I Notices of Motion

1. Presented by Trustee E. O’Toole Regarding French Immersion Sibling Policy

   Whereas the French Immersion Program has grown from its original conception in 2008-2009 with two sites and now is offered at eight sites in the board with possible expansion;

   BE IT RESOLVED THAT
   THE BOARD SUPPORTS A SIBLING RULE WHICH ENSURES THAT CHILDREN WITH SIBLINGS IN THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM IN THE SCHOOL AND WHO WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE THE FOLLOWING YEAR WILL HAVE A PRIORITY PLACEMENT.

2. Presented by Trustee S. McLauchlan Regarding Student Voice Council

   In recognition of the contributions of the board’s two student trustees,

   BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
   THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD STUDENT VOICE COUNCIL SHALL BE GRANTED A STANDING ITEM ON THE AGENDA OF EVERY FAITH AND PROGRAM MEETING EFFECTIVE MARCH 2013.

J Additional Business

Nil

K Questions Asked by, and of, Board Members

1. Trustee B. Iannicca asked if schools can utilize/order Bouncy Castles for community functions. In response, J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, advised that OSBIE asked school boards not to rent Bouncy Castles due to concerns with them not being inflated properly and the fact that the provider does not carry insurance.

   Principals must advise School Councils that if they want to rent them they must insure that the castles are inflated properly and that the provider carries insurance. The School Board cannot be held responsible.
3. Trustee B. Iannicca asked if schools could block off entrances with pylons for the Kiss & Ride Lanes. J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education confirmed that they could.

4. Trustee B. Iannicca asked why City parking lots adjacent to our schools are closed and not ploughed after a storm. J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, advised that cities have a schedule to adhere to and school boards do not have any influence.

Trustee B. Iannicca asked if staff could make an inquiry and report back to trustees.

5. Trustee F. Di Cosola inquired about the construction project at St. Nicholas Catholic Elementary School. B. Bjarnason, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, advised that the addition will take several months and the project must be completed for the September school start-up. Trustee F. Di Cosola will be provided with information to share with the School Council.

6. Trustee A. da Silva asked that the report on the French Immersion Sibling issue include the number of students on the wait list, the number of siblings and the number of students for more than one school year.

7. In response to Trustee M. Pascucci’s inquiry regarding borrowing bridge money due to the timing of Mississauga Tax Revenue being paid out in four installments J. B. Kostoff advised that the board did not have to borrow bridge money.

L Business/Questions/Information In Camera

Motion 114 (13-02-26) by T. Thomas Seconded by M. Pascucci

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

CARRIED

M Rise and Report

Motion 115 (13-02-26) by T. Thomas Seconded by A. da Silva

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

March 26, 2013 May 28, 2013
April 23, 2013 June 18, 2013
Adjournment

Motion 116 (13-02-26) by S. Hobin     Seconded by E. O’Toole

THAT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

CARRIED

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Secretary of the Board                 Chairperson