

## MINUTES

### Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

7:00 pm

Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Trustees: M. Pascucci, A. da Silva, A. Abbruscato, D. D'Souza, L. del Rosario, F. Di Cosola, S. Hobin, B. Iannicca, T. Thomas, S. Xaviour,  
Student Trustee S. Cameron, Student Trustee K. Tom

Regrets: E. O'Toole

Non-Voting Attendees: M. Mazzorato, J. Hrajnik, D. Amaral, W. Brunton, J. Cherepacha, T. Cruz, D. Del Bianco, R. Eberhardt, D. Finegan-Downey, S. Gos, M. Lewis, C. Murphy, L. Papaloni, T. Peel, S. Steer, L. Storey, S. Strong, M. Beck, B. Campbell, B. Hester, R. Moriah

Recorder: L. Mackereth

### A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Chair M. Pascucci called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Acknowledgement of First Nation Sacred Territory

Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci acknowledged the sacred territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

3. Opening Prayer

Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci led the Opening Prayer.

4. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda item M2 Declared Item 1:

*Trustee M. Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA*

*Trustee B. Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA and CUPE 2026*

*Trustee S. Hobin—family members belong to OECTA*

*Trustee D. D'Souza—family member working as a summer student.*

*Student Trustee S. Cameron—family member belongs to OECTA*

*Trustee A. Abbruscato—family members belong to OECTA (declared during Good News Items)*

5. Approval of the Agenda

Addition to the Agenda - G4 Legal Services' Portfolio

Withdrawn B 1 Recognition of Elmer Safety Award - deferred to a later date

**Motion 151 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** T. Thomas

**Seconded by** D. D'Souza

**THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.**

**CARRIED**

a. Approval of Consent of Calendar Items

a. Employee Population Report as of March 31, 2018

6. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, April 24, 2018

**Motion 152 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Hobin

**Seconded by** L. del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, APRIL 24, 2018, EXCLUDING ITEMS, M 2 DECLARED ITEM 1, BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

a. Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

**B. Awards and Presentation**

1. Recognition of the Catholic Women's League Award Winners

The Catholic Women's League's Toronto Diocesan Council recently held its public speaking competition. Dufferin-Peel students Elvis Menezes and Brooke Britto finished in first place in their respective categories.

Elvis Menezes, a Grade 8 student at St. Herbert Elementary School, recited his speech, Discrimination Against Aborigines. He won the Mary Mathews Public Speaking Award.

Brooke, a Grade 12 IB student at St. Francis Xavier Secondary School, recited her poem. She won the Mary Dobel Pro-Life Awareness Poetry Literacy Award in the Senior Poetry category.

*Trustees A. Abbruscato and F. Di Cosola joined the meeting at 7:17 p.m.*

**Motion 153 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** L. del Rosario

**Seconded by** B. Iannicca

**THAT THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE AWARD WINNERS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

2. Skills Work!™ School Board Award of Distinction

Annually secondary students compete in the Skills Ontario Competition. On May 9, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board was awarded the 2018 Skills Work!™ School Board Award of Distinction for dedication to the promotion of skilled trades and technology careers.

**Motion 154 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. da Silva

**Seconded by** T. Thomas

**THAT THE SKILLS WORK!™ SCHOOL BOARD AWARD OF DISTINCTION, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**C. Pastor's Remarks**

1. Rev. James Cherickal, Pastor, St. Anne Parish, Brampton

Rev. James Cherickal, Pastor at St. Anne Parish in Brampton, shared his work in Catholic Education through the lens of the Pastor.

**Motion 155 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. da Silva

**Seconded by** T. Thomas

**THAT THE PASTOR'S REMARKS FROM REV. JAMES CHERICKAL, PASTOR, ST. ANNE PARISH, BRAMPTON, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**D. Delegations**

Nil

**E. Updates/Information/Reports From Trustees, For Receipt**

1. Regular Reports

Nil

2. Good News Items

*Trustee A. Abbruscato declared an interest.*

**Trustee S. Hobin shared:**

Thank you to all of my schools for an outstanding celebration of **Catholic Education Week**. I was invited to attend school Masses, liturgies, concerts, plays, art shows, French Cafes, classroom visits and Virtue Assemblies. Thank you to the school administrators, staff, school councils and students. We are every day renewing the promise.

During Catholic Education Week, the Mississauga North Family of Schools celebrated the 11th **Shining Stars Event**. The activity day, in partnership with Special Olympics Ontario, welcomed elementary students from fifteen **15 Mississauga North Family of Schools**. The day provided students with diverse learning needs in Grades 1 to 8 the opportunity to participate in a variety of accommodated activities. The event is designed to contribute to the physical, social and emotional development of students through positive and successful experiences in sport. Highlights included the student led opening liturgy, guest speakers from St. Joan of Arc Communication Class, and the torch procession led by Silvana Gos and members of Peel Police. During the closing Ceremonies, all participants received from Trustee Sharon Hobin t-shirts and medals, designed by one of the students. Special thanks to Cristina Roda, Mississauga North Special Education Consultant and her committee for organizing the event and to St. Aloysius Gonzaga and the leadership, GLE, Phys. Ed and music students for being such gracious hosts. The day was filled with fun and accomplishment. Thank you to all of the educators who expertly presented this important event.

**Joe Sax Festival –Mississauga South**

Every school in Mississauga South was represented with a diverse group of students at this inspiring, engaging, interactive, collaborative and meaningful, event that took place at Iona Catholic Secondary School on Tuesday, May 8, during Catholic Education Week.

Ten students from each school from Grades 4 to 8 who are reflective of each school community, wearing their school jerseys/colours along with 10 students from each secondary school as coaches, facilitators and cheer leaders made for an exciting event for all.

The theme of the event was **Together We Sparkle: One World Rooted in Acceptance and Love**. The aim of the Festival is to offer interactive sports activities and collaborative games to a diverse team of students as a means of fostering healthy minds, healthy bodies, positive social interactions and an inclusive experience.

The games centered around “walking in the footsteps of . . . “ and building team spirit, where students experienced playing basketball in a wheelchair, playing soccer by solely relying on hearing and movement, and other collaborative games.

As a team (Together Everyone Achieves More) every child experienced success. This exciting event also included a special appearance by the Mascots from our Mississauga South Secondary Schools, the exciting sound of St. Martin’s Drum Line and the beautiful artistic presentations by Iona’s Choir and Dance. Thank you to the entire Mississauga South Team of educators who came together to present this amazing event.

Congratulations to **St. Josephine Bakhita Parish** on the celebration of their dedication on May 2, 2018. It is a beautiful church and such a gift to the community. Thank you to St. Joan

of Arc Catholic Secondary School for supporting St. Josephine Bakhita church by hosting them in the school gym all these years while the church was being funded and built.

### **Human Trafficking and Cyber Safety**

I was pleased that so many parents came to these two seminars facilitated by representatives from Peel police. Everyone said that this was very informative and a topic we should not have to discuss but we do. Thanks to the representatives from Peel Police and Olivia Faraone, principal of Iona, for helping me with this important evening.

### **St. Rose of Lima School**

The Intermediate Boys Basketball became the Mississauga North Champions and were proud to represent the Family at the Board Tournament on May 10th. We are very proud to have had four Extended French students qualify for and speak at the Provincial French Speech Competition held at York University May 5.

### **St. Sebastian School**

The school wide chess tournament was held on Tuesday, May 8 with more than 100 participants from Grades 1 to 8 taking part in this full day school wide tournament.

The Crowning of Mary Celebration took place on Thursday, May 10 for all students from FDK to Grade 8. The girl's intermediate basketball team won the Miss North Family of Schools tournament for 2018.

### **St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School**

Twenty students attended the March for Life Campaign in Ottawa. Congratulations to Tamara Steeves from the Career Path Program who is on the Canadian National Paralympic basketball team. Michela Viola won a bronze medal with Team Canada at the WORLD Cheer Championships Congratulations to Gonzaga Alumni Nicole Kosta – member of the 2018 Markham Thunder Women's Hockey Team who won the Women's Professional Hockey League Championship Santino Centorame – member of the 2018 University of ST.FX Men's Hockey Team who were the CIAU Hockey Finalists. Four hundred students attended the Gonzaga semi formal. The Gonzaga Grade 8-9 Boys Night In/Girls Night In over 90% attendance. The Annual Coffee House was well attended at 250 students and the Annual House Olympics was well attended at 1200 students.

### **St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School**

SJA Grade 12 Science Students, Mavelyn Breiva and Lianna Mathew, presented research assignments on Cancer Biophysics and Heart Disease Diagnosis at the Greater Toronto Biogenius Challenge. Grade 11 Green Industries students, Antonio and Nick won First Place at Skills Ontario in Landscape Design.

### **Mississauga South**

On May 18 Mississauga South presented a Diversity Conference for students in Grade 7 with a focus on water. The students wore blue and discussed the impact of water or lack thereof on a community especially in those communities without water. The experience furthered students' knowledge and understanding of diversity, equity and reconciliation with a focus on WATER.

Mississauga South has provided opportunities to students to compete in various competitions. Congratulations to all the winners especially those of my schools.

**Congratulations to the winners of the Board Skills Competition.**

**Gold Silver Bronze**

Character Animation Junior - St. Raymond, St. Charles Garnier, St. Joachim

Character Animation Intermediate- St. Edmund, St. Bernadette, St. Charles Garnier

Design & Technology- Junior St. Charles Garnier, St. Monica, St. Valentine

Design & Technology- Intermediate - St. Monica, St. Valentine, St. Teresa of Calcutta

Lego Mechanics Junior- St. Timothy, Our Lady of Good Voyage, St. James

Lego Mechanics Intermediate -Christ the King, St. Monica, St. Edmund

Lego Robotics Junior- St. Christopher, St. Raymond, St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Lego Robotics Intermediate - St. Christopher, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, St. David of Wales

Green Energy -Intermediate -Our Lady of Good Voyage, St. Edmund, Christ the King

TV Video Production -Intermediate St. James, St. Charles Garnier, St. Edmund

Construction Intermediate- Our Lady of Good Voyage, St. James, St. Edmund

**Chess Tournament – Top 2 Standings in Each Division**

**Primary**

1. St. Mark
2. St. Valentine

**Junior**

1. St. Jerome
2. St. Clare

**Intermediate**

1. St. Valentine
2. St. Margaret of Scotland

**Mississauga South Public Speaking Results**

Junior

1. Victoria – St. Catherine of Sienna – How to Avoid Becoming a Robot
2. Ethan – Our Lady of Good Voyage – Elephants in the Room
3. Libby – Mary Fix – The Eighties

Intermediate

1. Elvis – St. Herbert – Aboriginal Rights
2. Rovena – St. Margaret of Scotland – Low Self-Esteem
3. Maria – St. Raymond – St. Teresa of Calcutta

### **All Saints School**

All of the students produced fine, unique quality art pieces that were displayed prominently in our gymnasium for the staff, students and parents to peruse and purchase. The theme was "Canada 150", decorated by special lighting, Canadian music, Muskoka chairs and Christmas trees. The All Saints Book fair was a huge success raising over \$4700 for our library surpassing our goal of \$3300.

### **Christ the King Catholic School**

May began with a visit from Officer Billy and a Grade 7 Confirmation Retreat to Queen of the Apostles Renewal Centre. Once again, CTK hosted a very successful Catholic Education Week, which highlighted the following events: Journey Into Learning night, a Living Rosary, A Mental Health and Well-Being Family Engagement evening, a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, a field trip for students in Grades 1-6 to see School of Rock at Sheridan College and our Spring Dance-a-thon. A heartfelt thank you to all of our teachers, students and parent volunteers, as well as our very active and supportive Trustee, Sharon Hobin, for contributing and lending their support during this very busy month.

### **St. Christopher School**

During Catholic Education week, we began the week with a beautiful celebration of the Crowning of Mary lead by our Youth Faith Ambassadors and Student Parliament. We entertained audiences with a fabulous Tribute to Disney. Participation in the annual Joe Sax festival was a wonderful day at Iona for some of our students. Spring athletics are in full swing and the eco team has wrapped up the year looking forward to maintaining platinum status. The Grade 8 classes had a wonderful time on their Québec trip which was an experience in learning about our Canadian history and the roots of our faith in Canada. Students in Grade 3 and 6 began EQAO testing at the end of the month. There is much excitement and energy around the annual School Council sponsored Fun Fair that will take place next month. Follow us on twitter @stchris\_dpdsb

### **St. Clare School**

During Catholic Education Week, staff and students were involved in a variety of events and activities. Youth Faith Ambassadors participated in our Opening Liturgy with Father Charles. We had the MADD Canada Smart Wheels RV Program for our Grades 4-6 students. Primary classes were involved in the Youth Education Program with Officer Billy. Grade 7 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation. They have been involved in the Hope for Haiti initiative and have coordinated the collection of various items in our school community. We welcomed our new students and families at our 'Journey into Learning' evening. Our French Café was a great success with servers, can-can dancers, artists, and mimes. The Catholic School Council supported this event by coordinating the donation and delivery of croissants for all students to enjoy. Students participated in the Crowning of Mary Celebration organized by the Rosary Apostolate volunteers. Grade 3 and 6 students have been preparing for EQAO and some students participated in the After School Tutoring program. Junior and Intermediate students participated in a Track and Field Day. We also had a Volunteer Appreciation Tea to honour the parent volunteers, who make St. Clare School a great place in which to work, play and learn.

### **St. Francis of Assisi School**

We celebrated Stars Wars day on May the 4th be with you. SFA's Festival choir performed at the Peel Music Festival "Stars of the Festival" Gala at the Rose Theatre in Brampton. Our Rosary Apostolate had a wonderful Crowning of Mary assembly that led us into our Catholic Education Week. SFA invited all to attend our RENEWING OUR PROMISE TO OURSELVES HEALTH & WELLNESS WEEK!! Students made personal promises to themselves in the future and the future classes of SFA. Each division participated in wellness activities such as: Mindful painting, Go Noodle, Zumba, therapy dog sessions, nature walk bingo, and jump rope activities, to name a few. SFA's Grade 5/6 class had recorder buskers in the front foyer all week, and led a silent auction of hand-painted wooden pieces in which all proceeds were donated to "Water for South Sudan". St. Francis students attended the Toronto Argonauts Huddle Up Summit at the MLSE Launchpad in Toronto. As part of our Catholic Education Week Activities, we supported the Canadian Food for Children Charity located at Dr. Simone's warehouse. We renewed our promise to support others in need by collecting salt, sugar, soap, shoes and gently used clothing. Towards the end of the month we participated in outdoor classroom day, which all teaching was done outside all day. SFA's Grade 8s voyaged to Montreal & Quebec City for their class trip. All month long our Grade 3 and 6 students have been involved with after school tutoring to get them ready for the upcoming EQAO testing. Good Luck.

### **St. Helen School**

The month of May has been faith filled at St. Helen. Catholic Education Week began with a butterfly Kaleidoscope Activity. It was a school wide retreat that centered on our Catholic Education Week theme of "Renewing the Promise." The retreat concluded with a liturgy led by our Grade 7 and 8 students. Our Journey to Learning Evening took place on May 8th. Our future "Hurricanes" were welcomed by our FDK team and our Trustee, Sharon Hobin. Catholic Education Week concluded with a beautiful Crowning of Mary celebration, led by the team from St. Christopher's Parish. Our Grade 7 and 8 students participated in a STEM workshop at Humber College on May 15th. It was wonderful opportunity to learn about Science and Technology in a higher education setting. On May 18th, Grade 7 and 8 students participated in the Family of Schools Diversity Conference. In the coming weeks, students will be participating in EQAO, as well as Play Day on June 8, Junior Soccer and Intermediate Boys and Girls Softball. Through collaboration, community and faith St. Helen continues to "Renew the Promise" of our faith.

### **St. Louis School**

May was an exciting month with a delegation from South Korea visiting our school to work with our students and our teachers. The Korean teachers soon became so comfortable here at St. Louis that there were a lot of tears when they had to return home. Our Grade 3 and Grade 6 students worked hard to prepare for our EQAO assessment at the end of the month. Many of our students attended the afterschool tutoring each Monday and Thursday night. Mrs. Vedi continued to come each and every Monday afternoon and shared many stories from around the world. Our month of May will end with our traditional Marian Celebration – where our students are lead in a religious liturgy by the Rosary Apostolate. Our Grade 2 First Communicants come dressed in their first communion outfits – and everyone bring flowers for Mother Mary! St. Louis also hosted a wonderful Career Day



during Catholic Education Week where guests from various who had various interesting careers met with students to share their stories.

### **St. Luke School**

A joyful Catholic is God's greatest instrument" - Scott Hahn

Catholic Education Week began with every student at St. Luke showcasing their God-given talents in our Willy Wonka Musical Production. Our social justice initiatives continued as we raised monies for Sick Kids during our Hats off 2 Kids Walk. Our FDK classes celebrated Mother's Day with a Mother's Day tea. We opened our doors to welcome new families to St. Luke during our Journey into Learning Night. St. Luke staff, students and families joyfully celebrated "Our Lady of the Cape: Queen of Canada" with our Rosary Apostolates. Students also participated in the Joe Sax event, a celebration of diversity and acceptance. Our Grade 7 students visited Ottawa, while our Grade 3 and 6 students participated in EQAO. In partnership with Curling Canada, all of the students at St. Luke participated in the Rocks 'n' Rings Program which introduced students to the Sport of Curling. Our beautiful warm weather rejuvenated our Peace Garden and all of our students participated in Bike 2 School Week.

### **St. Margaret of Scotland School**

Catholic Education Week at St Margaret of Scotland was a great success starting with Mass on Monday in the school gym and end ending with the Crowning of Mary on Friday. There were a variety of activities over the week, including Sewing Studio Workshop, Joe Sax Festival, Dairy Farmer Days, Wellness Expo, FDK Registrations, and so much more. St Margaret of Scotland was also honored with special guests including Director Mazzorato, Superintendent Finegan-Downey, and Trustee Hobin. All guests and students received a rosary chaplet.

Special thank you to Rev. Vellozo, Catholic School Council, the Rosary Apostolate, the liturgical committee and all the volunteers who made the week so successful. Thank you to the staff who continue to be flexible and creative.

"The smallest thing done for the love of God is priceless." -St. Teresa of Avila

### **St. Mark School**

The month of May began with our kick off to Catholic Education Week where the staff and students celebrated St. Mark's Feast Day reflecting on our "call to action" as referenced in the Gospel of Mark: "Go out into the world and preach the Gospel." Officer Billy proudly wore the lion suit as the symbol of the Gospel of Mark and visited the classrooms. Catholic Education Week activities included our Scholastic Book Fair, Joe Sax Team Festival, Marion Celebration, Journey Into Learning evening, Sacramental Celebrations and our Healthy Bodies/Minds/Spirits School Wide Retreat. This annual and motivational retreat had all our students engaged in collaborative activities focused on healthy, peaceful living and well-being.

### **Iona Catholic Secondary School**

Iona Looks North - In September 2017 Iona connected with a local group that was advocating on behalf of several Northern Communities in search of books to help create and

replenish old or non-existing libraries. One of the ongoing challenges facing Northern communities is the availability of resources to develop students' Literacy skills. Libraries in many of these communities are old, dated and depleted, and several communities do not have libraries at all. As a result, Elementary and Secondary school libraries share their resources as they service both the school and the local community. Iona students decided to help with a well-received book drive: "Bring a book, Build a library". Students and staff were encouraged to bring in new and previously enjoyed books to donate to our Northern neighbors, and the response was overwhelming as over 1000 books ranging from preschool to high school to general interest were collected. A final donation of a different sort was received from Purolator when the company contacted Iona with an offer to ship the whole collection of books to Northern communities all over Canada at no cost!!! Many thanks to teachers Cathy Cecchetto and Tracy Intini for heading this very worthy endeavor.

#### **Loyola Catholic Secondary School**

Loyola held a celebration of school-wide Mass with Father Tim Hanley officiating during Catholic Education Week and we welcomed Trustee Hobin who attended as well.

Loyola organized a Mental Health Awareness Fair on May 11 that welcomed several community and health-care partners who set up displays and interacted with our school community

Friday Night Lights was held the evening of May 11, hosted by Loyola Girls' and Boys' soccer teams. Loyola had a huge turnout! Share Life Civvies and Lunch Barbecue were held on May 16, organized by Student Council members. A Charity Soccer Tournament on May 18th, organized by the Phys-Ed Leadership class, with all proceeds going to ShareLife.

#### **Trustee A. Abbruscato shared:**

##### **Corpus Christi School**

Corpus Christi held our first Boys Night and Girls Night at school for Grade 7 and 8 students.

The Crowning of Mary Celebration occurred on May 10 and was celebrated by not only our students and staff but also with representation of our school community.

The Spring Dance-a-thon held by our Catholic School Council was a huge success with funds going to support athletics in our school.

##### **St. Charles Garnier School**

Two teams competed in Ontario Skills competition at Toronto Congress Centre. Grade 4 to 6 Technology won the bronze medal in a tightknit competition.

We walked to support "Hats off 2 Kidz" to raise money for leukemia research.

We welcomed 13 FDK1s who enjoyed getting familiar with the Program.

We celebrated the Crowning of Mary followed by the volunteer tea.

St. Charles Garnier will send a team to the Diversity conference.

### **Canadian Martyrs School**

We celebrated the Crowning of Mary with our Circle of the Rosary Volunteers from Sts. Peter & Paul Church on May 4. Our volunteers are dedicated and visited students once a month to teach and pray the Rosary with our students K-8.

Eleven students from Canadian Martyrs participated in the Mississauga Marathon MaraFun Program on May 6. Students trained for six weeks leading up to the event while completing 40KM of physical activity. Then on Race Day, Sunday, May 6, they participated in our 2KM Fun Run/Walk which will then add up to a total of 42KM worth of physical activity; the distance of a Full Marathon. Our Grade 8 student Treshan came in first.

Monday, May 7 we began Catholic Education Week with 'Wonderfully Made'. Our Grade 7 and 8 students lead the entire school through a faith retreat in 'Renewing our Promise' to support our Discerning Believers to share their faith and love. We ended a day with a school-wide liturgy.

During the evening of Monday, May 7, we continued to journey together as a community by renewing our students mental well-being and health with MTC Life. An evening of positivity and healthy snacks.

On May 10, Canadian Martyrs organized a day to “bear” witness to Jordan’s Principle by bringing in a Teddy Bear. The Social Justice Club read announcements, explaining to all grade levels what Jordan’s Principle is, as well as, sending out information and resources to teachers to support our younger students’ understanding of what it means to bear witness.

Mrs. Ciampa's Grade 4 class won the Mississauga Valley Library's 2018 Grade 4 Read to Succeed. The class had the most students who returned to visit the Library since the start of the program. They have been invited to the Read to Succeed Finale Celebration on June 1.

### **Trustee B. Iannicca shared:**

#### **St. Timothy School**

Earth Week activities included Black Out Monday, where staff and students wore black as a reminder to turn off lights and conserve energy; Outdoor Litter Clean-Up and wearing florals and sunhats to celebrate the importance of pollinators.

The Titans Dream Team dance group danced at the "Let's Dance" Premiere Showcase at Iona Catholic Secondary School.

The EcoTeam participated in EcoFest by planting trees at Philip Pocock Catholic Secondary School on April 25.

During Catholic Education Week, every student participated in making cupcakes from scratch (math lesson everywhere: time, temperature, measurement, fractions, operations, money, etc.) which were then decorated and sold with the proceeds benefitting ShareLife. Over \$2000 was raised.

On Saturday, May 5, Grade 2 First Communion was celebrated at St. Catherine of Siena Church.

Twenty students (5 teams) to participated in the 10 km relay event of the Mississauga Marathon.

The Grade 5 Girls' team finished first; the Grade 6-8 Girls' Team finished first and the Grade 6-8 Co-ed Team finished third.

The Crowning of Mary Liturgy was celebrated on May 7. Bouquets of flowers were donated by the community for our liturgy as we gathered in prayer to launch Catholic Education Week: Renewing the Promise.

Our Healthy Mind/Body/Spirit Well-being Community Event was held on May 8. Families participated in an ACTIVE evening, focusing on our school's goal of improving WHOLE BODY WELLNESS. Activities included: CATHOLIC REFLECTION, MINDFUL EATING, PAINTING, RELAXATION, SEWING, YOGA & MORE! This event promotes the importance of well-being which is a focus throughout the year, especially on Wellness Wednesdays. Members of the Health Action Team (H.A.T.) were responsible for the *student-led sessions* as they developed leadership skills while modelling healthy living strategies and mindfulness techniques.

At our Journey into Learning on May 9, we welcomed over 50 young learners who will be starting Kindergarten Year 1 in September 2018, to experience a day in the life of a kindergarten student. Families shared in the learning during play-based activities that focused on literacy and numeracy skills.

#### **Father Daniel Zanon School**

Students celebrated the sacrament of First Communion on April 29 and Confirmation on May 8.

On April 20, students participated EcoFest activities organized and run by our EcoTeam.

Catholic Education Week activities included Retreat Day, Movement Presentation by LAC, Class visits, Crowning of Mary, Art Gallery Walk hosted by Intermediate students and School, Journey Into Learning Night and School Track and Field Day. All events were well attended by parents and family members.

To complete our OPHEA Healthy schools project we will participate in Healthy Hustle-a walk around the schoolyard with stops at active centres on May 18.

#### **Trustee M. Pascucci shared:**

##### **St. Alfred School**

A former student, who is now a Peel Region Police Officer stopped by the school. He identified himself as a graduate of St. Alfred and wanted to know if any of his former teachers were at the school. He asked to speak with a particular teacher and I took him to see her. He greeted her and proceeded to tell her that she had made a real impact on him. As a young boy, he had done something that he shouldn't have and she had been very kind and gentle with him and it had made a lasting impression. He further explained that his family had been really struggling and it was her kindness that had made all the difference for him. He wanted to thank her for the kindness and understanding that she had shown him and that he was paying it forward by being a resource officer in two high schools in Peel Region.

### **Philip Pocock Catholic Secondary School**

Congratulations to Philip Pocock student Fatima Tasabejhi who placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Provincial level of the Concours d'art Oratoire at Glendon College on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Fatima also came in 1<sup>st</sup> Place at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual TED TALKS hosted at Philip Pocock with her topic being Life is Spectacular! Principal Hastings personally spoke to dad, who shared that this young lady came to Canada 8 years ago (only 16 now) and did not speak a word of English, let alone French. He said he is very grateful to Dufferin-Peel for the education of his daughter. Amazing accomplishment.

### **St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School**

Catholic Education week was a great success and we had many activities throughout the week: class readings of the Catholic Education book selections, Crowning of Mary, Virtue Assembly, Poetry Recital and Poetry Challenge whereby students had to use the words Renewing, Promise or Renewing the Promise to create poems. As a school we had a Parent Engagement Evening on May 7 and it was a STEM workshop. Thank you to our Catholic School Council who organized the event using the award ProGrant funds. Students were engaged in coding and robotics while parents attended an information session on STEM research. There were over 100 parents and students who attended the evening. We also want to thank Trustee Pascucci for visiting our school during the day and evening event.

### **Queen of Heaven School**

Ms. Taylor and Ms. Kolenko's Grade 4 students were the winners of the Lakeview Library's 2018 Grade 4 Read to Succeed Program. The classes tied for having the most students who returned to visit the Library since the start of the program in September and are now proudly displayed on the Wall of Fame.

To celebrate their achievement, they are invited to attend a Read to Succeed Finale Celebration on June 1, at Mississauga Celebration Square. It's going to be an exciting event with hundreds of Grade 4 students and teachers, some high energy entertainment, a trophy ceremony and a very special presentation by award winning Author, Zoologist and Artist, Jess Keating. (*My Life is a Zoo Series, Pink is for Blobfish, What Makes a Monster and Shark Lady*).

The Elmer Safety Award was presented to Queen of Heaven student Landin H. On February 2, Landon's mother fell down the stairs. She was unable to move. Landon comforted his one year old brother. He then asked his mom what he should do for her. Mom's cell phone had no battery power left and they were unable to call 911. Landon went to the neighbours for help. He returned home with the neighbor, got his mother pillows for her head and legs and then stayed with his little brother until the ambulance and fire department arrived. His mother calls him her hero and is in awe of the calmness and responsibility shown by Landon.

### **Trustee L. del Rosario shared:**

Thank you to all my principals, vice-principals and staff for all my schools for working hard in celebrating Catholic Education Week. For the ones I made it to, I was very impressed in the different activities our schools prepared for and in some of them parents were very happy to come in and see the vibrancy of our schools.

### **St. Barbara Elementary School**

Congratulations to Principal, A. Krenn and Vice-Principal, A. Dalli of St. Barbara for being approved on their proposal in Experiential Learning Grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be used for the school's Innovation Room to promote 21st Century teaching and learning, hands on learning and meeting the needs of the whole child. In addition, they also received the \$1,000.00 grant for Innovative learning.

### **St. David of Wales School**

Congratulations to our Dragon Dance Pack who participated in the "Let's Dance" Showcase at Iona Secondary School on April 25. The student led dance team consisted of Grade 6, 7 and 8 students who performed a hip-hop dance to the song "24k Magic". Students choreographed the dance themselves and our school community is very proud of all their hard work and dedication. Students spent many lunch recesses practicing and perfecting their performance. We are very proud and impressed by their dance moves.

### **St. Joseph Secondary School**

On Thursday May 10, St. Joseph hosted its first Mental Health Summit. This event was the brainchild of two senior students, Simar Kochhar and Krishna Prakash. Under the leadership of our Department Head of Science, Mr. D. Chu, these two students successfully organized, hosted and ran this summit, at no cost to our students. Simar and Krishna were able to run this event due to their successful Innovation Grant submission earlier in the year. They were also able to secure Dr. Sudi Devanesan as the keynote speaker. Dr. Sudi Devanesan is an Associate Professor of Family Medicine and former Chief of the Department of Family and Community Medicine at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto. Dr. Devanesan is deeply committed to serving the community in various capacities and was instrumental in creating community service networks within the inner city. Dr. D has been heavily involved with mental health issues among youth, including his work with the Mindful Health Organization, as well as delivering various talks on this topic at many schools across the GTA. The students in attendance learned a great deal about mental health and resiliency. It is wonderful to know that we have young people in our community who are so passionate about promoting positive mental health and well-being. We are hopeful and confident that their success will inspire others to become more involved and supportive of the school community.

***Trustee E. O'Toole was absent and forwarded her Good News to be included in the minutes:***

### **Divine Mercy School**

Catholic Education week activities included crafts, artists, café and Loretta Penny. The Crowning of Mary took place on May 3 with the Rosary Apostolate. Ten students attended the Leadership Conference for Grade 6 to 8 students at Merciful Redeemer. Other activities include the Volunteer Tea, Intermediate Girls Day In and EQAO.

### **Our Lady of Mercy School**

The Rosary Apostolate Celebration took place on May 1 – Living Rosary

### **St. Albert of Jerusalem School**

On April 26, St. Albert of Jerusalem hosted a Zumba Night (sponsored by our PRO Grant). Families enjoyed a Zumba Lesson and then visited nutrition stations to gather information on nutrition and active living. Teachers and members of school council hosted the nutrition tables, where families were also able to make and take a variety of nutritious snacks. There was a great turn out and it was enjoyed by many.

### **St. Edith Stein School**

An evening with Chef Pino De Cerba, Master Chef was enjoyed by the community on May 8. Chef Pino presented information pertaining to Healthy Eating and Living. With the assistance of student helpers, he created a salad dressing which all sampled on a variety of delicious legumes, vegetables and meats.

The father of one of our students offered a profound and moving prayer of gratitude for the work and support of Dufferin-Peel staff and to the Lord for his guidance and love of all the children and families. He expressed his gratefulness for the opportunities available in our Catholic system.

### **St. Faustina School**

St. Faustina is proud of the response from parents who participated in the Family Math Night and attended the Talent Show events that occurred during Catholic Education Week. The events were made possible by the tremendous efforts of the St. Faustina staff.

### **St. Richard School**

St. Richard's Youth Faith Ambassadors participated in a Catholic Leadership Conference. During Catholic Education Week students participated in various activities: a Virtue Assembly, Journey into Learning evening, Catholic Education Week school mass, Shining Stars event participation, grade level dance workshops and Intermediate Soccer team. Various outdoor trips are planned for later in May.

### **St. Sebastian School**

A School wide chess tournament was held on May 8 with more than one hundred participants from Grades 1 to 8 taking part in this full day school-wide tournament.

The Crowning of Mary Celebration took place on May 10 for all students from FDK to Grade 8.

The girl's intermediate basketball team won the Mississauga North Family of Schools tournament for 2018.

### **St. Simon Stock School**

The Career Fair took place on May 7 and community members were invited to speak to students about their profession. Students in Grade 7 & 8 were invited. Thank you to school council for organizing.

The Junior/Intermediate Talent Show took place on May 9 for the parent community. Thank you to all teachers and students who worked very hard to organize.

### **St. Teresa of Avila School**

Catholic Education Week and Devotions to Mary have been the focus for the month of May. Activities were planned by all staff during CEW to reflect Catholic Education; parents/guardians were invited; and the Crowning of Mary (Rosary Apostolate) took place on May 9. Other activities included Journey into Learning on May 10, Mass for Grade 8 students on May 15, the Bike Rodeo on May 24, Grade 3 and 6 EQAO on May 23 and Building Bridges Transitions Workshops Grade 8 May 29.

### **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School**

On May 17, Mount Carmel SpeakUp club as well as the Grade 11 Native Studies class hosted for the first Indigenous Cultural Awareness Day featuring the Ojibway Storyteller Aaron Bell and the award winning dance troupe The White Pine Dancers.

Booths included: Traditional food (bannock, cornbread, frybread and maple butter) to sample catered by Pow Wow Café, crafts being sold by Cedar Basket, Indigenous games to be played, beautiful displays of artwork by the Native Art class students, information booths highlighting various issues that indigenous people face today in our country and more.

### **Trustee S. Xaviour shared:**

#### **Georges Vanier Catholic School**

We continue to celebrate the Virtues through monthly assemblies and whole school activities.

We continue to offer healthy snacks to students through Nutritional Bins & breakfast drop-in.

Our whole school celebrated Catholic Education Week mass at St. John Fisher Parish.

CEW activities and events: mass at the parish, Journey into Kindergarten Night, Volunteer Appreciation Tea, Science Fair, Share Life Used Book Sale, and Parent Open House.

Our Grade 7 students attended Spotlight Sheridan at Sheridan College-hands on activities

We celebrated Confirmation (May 3) and First Communion (May 13) at St. John Fisher Parish.

#### **Father Francis McSpirtt Catholic School**

Lilian De Heer was the runner up in the Peel Regional CWL Intermediate Speech Contest.

#### **Lester B Pearson Catholic School**

Two of our Grade 8 Students have been chosen as finalists for the "What If Everyone Did Something" poster contest. The purpose of this challenge is to raise awareness of bullying harassment, hate and discrimination. It was an opportunity for students in Grades 7 –12 from both our Board and Peel District School Board to produce a creative poster to help combat these issues and exercise their student voice. The posters were sent into Peel Regional Police. The two students, their families and their teacher or administrator have been invited to attend the 'finalist' gala on May 30 at HJA Education Centre.



The first prize poster will appear in bus shelters across Brampton and Mississauga as well as in the Cineplex theatres.

We are very proud of their accomplishments thus far and we wish them all the best at the gala!

#### **St. André Bessette Catholic School**

The St. André Bessette community commenced Catholic Education Week by "Renewing the Promise." Staff and students showed their support for ShareLife by wearing green and white raising \$253 at our ShareLife dance. The Youth Faith Ambassadors visited and volunteered at the "Canadian Food for Children Warehouse" in support of Dr. Simone's community service. We also continued the week by inviting our parents to "Pray the Promise" with us at our school liturgy. Other events included a "Movie Night" hosted by our Catholic School Council, The Envirodrum Presentation to promote our Ecoschools initiative, and a "Duffle bag Theatre Presentation" for the whole school. Academically, students in both the junior and intermediate grades presented their poems at our Poetry Café.

#### **St. Jean Brebeuf School**

St. Jean Brebeuf School participated in a Parent Engagement Evening on May 10, organized and supported by the Catholic School Council. This family evening was well attended and most families took home a great prize. All prizes were donated. Trustee Shawn Xaviour was present during our Bingo night and actively participated by calling numbers.

#### **St. John Fisher School**

On May 17, St. John Fisher School will be hosting an Active Chefs evening with several families totaling nearly 200 parents and children who will be creating four food dishes representative of various cultures from the world. This is a ProGrant Parent Engagement evening event from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

#### **St. Patrick School**

We are excited that there will be a street dedication ceremony by the City of Brampton for Sister O'Reilly Road (date is still to be determined). Sister O'Reilly was the first principal of St. Patrick School from 1946 to 1953 and a member of the Loretto Sisters for more than 60 years. A former Wildfield resident, she returned to her birthplace in 1946 to become both the principal of the community's original 1907 school and Mother Superior of the new Loretto Convent, which operated in a reconverted country store at the southwest intersection of Mayfield and Gore Roads until it was demolished in 1969. More information about this event will be forthcoming, once the date is finalized by the City of Brampton.

Also, we have Future Steps Dance doing ballroom dance with the students and we will be having a showcase of their talents in June. Students are enjoying the opportunity to learn new dances.

St. Patrick students will also be showcasing their talents in our upcoming "Showtime Musical", in June. Preparations are well underway for this exciting event.

We recently had many exciting activities during Catholic Education Week, like our Living Rosary, Catholic Education week mass, French Café, Earth Rangers presentation, Journey

into Learning evening and we hosted the CWL Junior public speaking competition for St. Patrick Church. All of the activities led to a true celebration of Catholic Education Week.

### **Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School**

May 10 was Harmonies Night at Holy Name of Mary. Trustee Shawn Xaviour attended our evening of the arts- Drama, Visual Arts, Media Arts, and Music students displayed their talents to the community. It was an amazing evening.

### **Trustee D. D'Souza shared:**

### **Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School**

Notre Dame was busy during Catholic Education Week. Some activities included Easter Season Masses, CultureFest, Cultural Civvies Day, the March for Life, *Thank you for choosing Catholic Education* where students and Administration distributed cookies and *Renewing the Promise* cards to parents as they dropped off their kids in the morning and personally thanked them and an Art Show.

### **Sacred Heart School**

We have had a very busy few weeks at Sacred Heart. Catholic Education was such a great time to celebrate spirit activities. We raised \$800.00 for Share Life. The preparation and a retreat with our Grade 2 students who celebrated their First Holy Communion on Saturday. The ECO Club worked with our Catholic School Council to purchase and plant trees to replace some of those lost in our ice storm. A school-wide retreat to celebrate Catholic Education focused on "Serving Others Through the Lens of Jesus" and we worked very hard rehearsing for our Marian Celebration with our Rosary Apostolate volunteers from St. Leonard Parish. Our Grade 1/2 students memorized every line of a dramatization of Our Lady of the Cape. They led our primary students and then our junior/intermediate students through a performance and then the Rosary Apostolate led them through the Rosary and crowning of Mary.

### **St Agnes School**

On May 9, the Intermediate students engaged each class in an Hour of Code. It was an exciting day for everyone. On May 11, we had a Jump Rope for Heart fundraising event. We wore Blue Jay attire and had a Hot Dog day. The whole school participated in Jumping Rope and enjoyed the good exercise. We finished the day one teacher shaving off his beard, another his head, another a pie in the face, and another being taped to a chair. It was a lot of fun for both staff and students.

On May 10, the whole school participated in the Living Rosary, a very moving and heartfelt experience for everyone.

### **St Leonard School**

The Intermediate Girls Basketball Team came in second place at the Family Tournament.

The Grade 7/8 and 8 classes did an amazing presentation combining media clips and paintings to describe the Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations from their viewpoint.

Our Grade 4 and 5 classes presented their FSL Plays along with specially prepared dances for their parents.

Our Grade 7 students are preparing a dramatization for our primary and junior classes for the Crowning of Mary.

Our Grade 8 classes will be heading out this week for their overnight history trip to Niagara Falls. Special thanks to the parish youth group and our teachers for their support.

### **St. Edmund Campion Secondary School**

Congratulations go out to St. Edmund Campion S.S. for receiving the 2017-18 Premier's Award for Accepting Schools. The government of Ontario congratulates the Safe and Accepting Schools Team for their exceptional and innovative work in creating a safe and inclusive school. Campion is one of ten recipients in the province to be honored with this year's award. A special thank-you goes out to all of the staff, students, and partners of the St. Edmund Campion school community.

Congratulations to Campion's Video Production student K. Allsebrook who reached new heights with her talents at VFF International and TIFF.

Congratulations go out to 25 Campion Students who continue to share their knowledge, experience knowledge, experience and 'plan of action' as they reflect on their collective journey with Region of Peel's School Mental Health Awareness Pilot Project in the YES4MH yes for mental health project. Lead by our Campion IDC4U Leadership Class, congratulations to Campion students who signed up to donate blood and visit a blood donor clinic. The initiative was completely motivated by student voice and leadership."

### **St. Aidan Catholic School**

On May 3, the Grade 7 students participated in the Brampton West Diversity conference and were given great insight into ways they can bring about change at the school. Social justice initiatives were discussed and students will continue to be leaders at the St. Aidan

Congratulations to St. Aidan for a fantastic Catholic Education Week. It was a wonderful opportunity to renew the promise of Catholic education. Staff and students participated with Rosary Apostolate in the Crowning of Mary celebration. We also worked on Eco initiatives such as planting and beautifying the front gardens. The week ended with three superb performances of "St. Aidan Rocks!", an original school play written by our very own teacher Ms. Charles. St. Aidan was immersed in the greatest musical moments of the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s, and 90s. On the last day of Catholic Education Week the gym was transformed into a French Café.

Our Youth Faith Ambassadors participated in the first annual Faith Rocks Concert held at Campion.

### **St. Alphonsa Catholic School**

St. Alphonsa hosted a visit by Professor Jo Boaler, from Stanford University. She follows St. Alphonsa on Twitter and soon realized that there are some amazing instructional practices being followed that really speaks to best practice. Professor Boaler noted specifically the focus on growth mindset, student wellbeing and co-constructed strategies. Professor Boaler interviewed students and staff and walked away very impressed. Way to go St. Alphonsa!

**St. Daniel Comboni Catholic School**

On the evening of May 9, St. Daniel Comboni celebrated our Solemn Blessing. It was a beautiful celebration of Catholic Education and a celebration of the creation of a new Catholic School Community in Brampton West.

**St. Jean-Marie Vianney Catholic School**

Congratulations to the intermediate boys basketball team that represented Brampton West at the Board-wide tournament.

**St. Josephine Bakhita Catholic School**

St. Josephine Bakhita held their Health and Wellness Day in collaboration with the St. Edmund Campion Leadership Students. It was a huge success. The St. Edmund Campion Leadership Students were also included in our Boys Night In and our Girls Night In events. Parents and students had an opportunity to be a part of some great activities and were able to hear from guest speakers. Both nights were a great success.

**St. Rita School**

Congratulations to the St. Rita Contemporary Music Choir who presented to a sold out crowd on Thursday evening, May 10, during Catholic Education Week"

**St. Ursula School**

Congratulations to our Grade 6 teachers who organized a Science Fair on Space. The students had the opportunity to share their knowledge in many different formats such as art, working models, presentations through the use of technology. It was well attended by parents and students in the school.

Another May highlight was the Crowning of Mary. The students and teachers prayed the Rosary together as a community.

Our entire school community, from Kindergarten to Grade 8, is working with the St. Roch's Media team to produce a "Lip Dub". We are looking forward to final filming and Premier in June."

**Trustee T. Thomas** commended students who participated in the ROPSSAA Special Events Track and Field meet, hosted by St. Marcellinus Secondary School. Over 900 students from Peel region participated in track events.

**F. Information/Reports From Committees For Receipt**

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, April 3, 2018

**Motion 156 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. Abbruscato

**Seconded by** S. Hobin

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, APRIL 3, 2018, BE RECEIVED**

**CARRIED**

2. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, April 5, 2018

**Motion 157 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Xaviour

**Seconded by** S. Hobin

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, APRIL 5, 2018, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

3. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, April 11, 2018

**Motion 158 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Hobin

**Seconded by** B. Iannicca

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, APRIL 11, 2018, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

4. Minutes of the Mississauga Public Library Board Meeting, April 18, 2018

**Motion 159 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** T. Thomas

**Seconded by** L. del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MISSISSAUGA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING, APRIL 18, 2018, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

5. Secondary School Scholarships and Awards Committee Report – A. Abbruscato

**Motion 160 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. Abbruscato

**Seconded by** D. D'Souza

**THAT THE REPORT, SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**G. Information/Reports From Administration For Receipt**

1. Letter of Retirement - O. Faraone, Principal

**Motion 161 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Hobin

**Seconded by** L. del Rosario

**THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT RECEIVED FROM O. FARAONE, PRINCIPAL, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.**

**CARRIED**

2. Letter of Retirement - T. Loftus, Principal

**Motion 162 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. da Silva

**Seconded by** D. D'Souza

**THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT RECEIVED FROM T. LOFTUS, PRINCIPAL, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.**

**CARRIED**

3. Letter of Retirement - P. Nichols, Principal

**Motion 163 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** D. D'Souza

**Seconded by** L. del Rosario

**THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT RECEIVED FROM P. NICHOLS, PRINCIPAL, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.**

**CARRIED**

## 4. Legal Services' Portfolio

*The report was distributed at the meeting.*

Counsel M. Beck reviewed the report summarizing the work in which counsel has been involved, opportunities to streamline the access to internal legal services and the future role of the portfolio.

**Motion 164 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** F. Di Cosola

**Seconded by** B. Iannicca

**THAT THE REPORT, LEGAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**H. Trustee, Committee, Administration Reports Requiring Action**

1. Motion Recommended by the Faith and Program Committee, May 15, 2018

**Motion 165 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** L. del Rosario

**Seconded by** S. Xaviour

**THAT THE REGION OF PEEL FOOD CHARTER BE APPROVED AND ENDORSED.**

**CARRIED**

**I. Notice of Motion**

Nil

**J. Additional Business**

Nil

**K. Questions Asked of, and by, Board Members**

1. Trustee A. da Silva, referenced the Public Budget Consultation Webcast, requested feedback on questions received from a parent. Trustee A. da Silva requested the questions/comments and responses be recorded.

i. How much is being reinvested in maintenance and repairs of the schools as a percent of replacement value.

*The estimated replacement value of all our school facilities is approximately \$2B. On annual basis, the Ministry of Education provides the board with approximately \$23M in renewal funding. This annual funding represents approximately 1% of the estimated replacement value of our school facilities.*

*However, the renewal funding that we receive from the Ministry of Education is not based on the replacement value of our facilities but instead is calculated based on the outstanding renewal needs*

*identified at the schools. These buildings have approximately \$230M in outstanding renewal needs that have been identified over the next 5 years. On an annual basis, the board is funded approximately \$23M (or 10% of what is required) by the Ministry of Education to address the \$230M in outstanding renewal needs.*

ii. The school (not parent council) fundraises at least every week. There is no clarity on funding deficits at the school and the necessity for the fundraising. What is the board's expectation of the school's fundraising activities? Our understanding is that they use the funds to supplement what they have but can not buy a new program - but why not fund it properly in the first place?

*The Board has Fundraising Policy 4.20 and GAP 538.00, informed by the Ministry of Education Fundraising Guidelines issued in May 2012.*

*The Principal in consultation with the Family of Schools Superintendent shall give careful consideration to the number, frequency and extent of fundraising activities undertaken in any school year. Major Board and school-wide initiatives should normally be limited to a maximum of 3 per year.*

*Funds raised for school purposes are used to complement, not replace, public funding for education. Funds should not be used to support items funded through GSN, including but not limited to, classroom learning materials, textbooks and repairs.*

*Many schools will fundraise so that they can offer extra programs, such as Scientists in the Classroom or guest speakers, which is an enhancement to the curriculum and not a basic program requirement.*

iii. Parents are being pigeon-holed into contributing money to the school for unknown causes and we believe the tactic needs to be changed so that parents can have an option - book fairs should not be attended during classroom time for the children to put their purchase list together and take it home for their parents to buy when they visit the school. It is deceiving to the children and awkward for parents who need to manage a household budget. We have no idea what pizza money is used for, but the once a month treat has turned into a weekly bad habit of purchasing food instead of healthy home made food. There needs to be an acknowledgement that this is public money (doesn't belong to the principal who constantly says she's paying for things and that she was inherited a large sum when she came to the school) - it should be directed appropriately and respectfully in the context of the customer (families with children in the school) and not just spent for the sake of spending before the fiscal close.

*Principals should be communicating their School Generated Funds expenditure plans with Catholic School Councils and will also be soliciting input from student voice and staff. Although Book Fairs are excellent ways that school libraries can fundraise to supplement resources for students, students and families should not feel compelled to make a purchase. We will review processes that may place pressure on students and families with our teacher librarians. PPM 150: School Food and Beverage Policy articulates the parameters under which schools can provide lunches to students, and the nutritional standards associate with these programs.*

iv. What is the board's strategy to deal with the increased cost associated with absenteeism? Why is there expected pressure associated to absenteeism at the school board?



*Rising absenteeism and the costs associated with replacement coverage continue to be a challenge for all school boards provincially.*

*Administrators and Managers will be trained to address issues with staff with respect to absenteeism and entering into difficult discussions.*

v. Catholic education for our children was a top priority, but it wasn't even noted on the GSN funding highlights. The board and schools do not appear to focus on faith - just seems to be an afterthought in all our interactions. Teachers are quick to deter parent council from providing funding to support children going through the sacraments because of declining enrolment, but want parent council to fund their wish list to do their projects/jobs which are not properly funded by the board. The school has commented that they do not want their classroom time being interrupted by faith based exhibitions or trips, but are happy to consume a day with a yoyo trick motivational show.

*The Board provides funding to schools with the express expectations that funds are used to meet the goals of Catholicity, Catholic Community Engagement and Catholic Learning Environment as identified in the Catholic Board Improvement Learning Cycle. Catholic School Councils are valued partners in the formation of our students, and as such, council members are encouraged to discuss enhancement opportunities with the school principal.*

M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, advised responses to all questions will be posted on the board website.

2. Trustee S. Xaviour inquired about sourcing sandboxes covers in the FDK outdoor play areas. Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised the custodial staff clean on a regular basis and a comprehensive cleaning occurs every spring. Trustee S. Xaviour asked staff to source a custom cover for the sandbox.
3. Trustee S. Xaviour, noting Slow Down campaigns in some municipalities, inquired about requesting the campaign in Brampton and Caledon. Trustee F. Di Cosola will inquire at the Caledon School Traffic Safety Committee meeting.
4. Trustee S. Xaviour inquired about utilizing one graduation venue to reduce costs. J. Cherepacha, Superintendent of Financial Services advised preliminary investigations and some analysis has taken place. Many secondary school graduations take place at similar times and locations of venue may bring significant travel for students. Staff are reviewing.
5. In response to Trustee S. Xaviour, Director M. Mazzorato indicated the Overseas Excursion Report presented at Faith and Program Committee was for receipt.
6. Trustee S. Hobin advised the City of Mississauga's Slow Down signs are available through city councilors.
7. Trustee S. Hobin inquired about textbooks. Associate Director D. Amaral advised schools review their needs. There is a process to update textbooks and if a shortage occurs details should be provided to the family superintendent. Some textbooks are provided through program, some are shared cost and some the schools absorb the cost.
8. Trustee S. Hobin requested staff send a memo to ensure students have textbooks.
9. Trustee S. Hobin indicated she does not support sandboxes in FDK play space.

10. Trustee M. Pascucci recognized 2018-2019 Student Trustee-elect Pinto's attendance at the meeting.

11. Trustee B. Iannicca noted schools may loan textbooks to other schools should they have extra that are not being used.

12. Trustee B. Iannicca requested that trustee names be inserted in the letters sent to parents/guardians regarding retrofitting and upgrades. Superintendent D. Del Bianco staff will send a reminder to schools to use the appropriate template.

13. Trustee B. Iannicca inquired about high traffic areas in front of schools and requesting municipalities for road markings to reduce congestion and as a safety concern. Director of Education M. Mazzorato advised staff will refer to Municipal Traffic Safety Councils for consideration. Trustee T. Thomas requested this item be forwarded and will bring to the Mississauga Traffic Safety Council May meeting.

14. Student Trustee K. Tom inquired about pdf textbooks. Director of Education M. Mazzorato advised that the publisher would have to allow.

15. Trustee S. Hobin inquired about the limitations on use of retired principals to cover principals on leave and asked that the OCSTA Directors bring this concern to OCSTA and that the Director bring forward to CODE.

**Motion 166 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Xaviour

**Seconded by** F. Di Cosola

**THAT THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD SEND A LETTER TO THE MAYOR OF BRAMPTON AND THE MAYOR OF CALEDON TO LOOK INTO LAUNCHING A CAMPAIGN THAT ADDRESSES SAFE DRIVING AROUND SCHOOLS.**

**CARRIED**

**L. Declared Interest Items**

**M. In Camera Session**

**Motion 167 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** A. Abbruscato

**Seconded by** B. Iannicca

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

**CARRIED**

**N. Rise and Report**

Received Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting, April 24, 2018  
Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, April 3, 2018  
Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, April 10, 2018  
Legal Opinion  
Personnel Item  
Executive Compensation

**Motion 168 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** S. Hobin

**Seconded by** T. Thomas

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

**CARRIED**

**O. Future Meeting**

June 19, 2018

**P. Adjournment**

**Motion 169 (18-05-22)**

**Moved by** D. D'Souza

**Seconded by** F. Di Cosola

**THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 10:22 P.M.**

**CARRIED**