

**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 24, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre**

Chair:	M. Pascucci		
Vice Chair:	S. Hobin		
Trustees:	A. Abbruscato	D. D'Souza	A. da Silva
	L. del Rosario	F. Di Cosola	B. Iannicca
	E. O'Toole	S. Xaviour	T. Thomas
Student Trustees:	J. Alvi	T. Glod	
Director of Education:			M. Mazzorato
Associate Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:			J. Hrajnik
Associate Director of Instructional Services:			S. McWatters
Superintendents:	D. Amaral	C. Blanchard	J. Cherepacha
	T. Cruz	D. Del Bianco	R. Eberhardt
	D. Finegan-Downey	E. Fischer	T. Lariviere
	L. Papaloni	T. Peel	C. Pitoscia
	S. Steer	L. Storey	M. Vecchiarino
General Counsel:	W. Lopez		
General Managers:	B. Campbell	T. Davis	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 7:00 p.m.
2. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory
Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci acknowledged the sacred territory of the Mississaugas of the New Credit.
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:
A6 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 13, 2016, Item L

Trustee M. Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

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

Trustee S. Hobin —family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee A. da Silva—related to the Trustee Code of Conduct

Trustee A. Abbruscato—family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Motion 064 (17-01-24) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by L. del Rosario

**THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEM BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM L.
CARRIED**

5. Approval of the Agenda
Addition- In Camera Item M5

Motion 065 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. Xaviour

**THAT THE EMPLOYEE POPULATION REPORT AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016, BE
RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

Motion 066 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. Xaviour

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

6. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 13, 2016
—A. Abbruscato

The minutes were amended as follows:

Page A 6 Pg. 13 added wording: in specific

Page A 6 Pg. 14 amended to:

Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, November 29, 2016

—F. Di Cosola

Motion 052 (16-12-13) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by S. Hobin

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 29, 2016, BE RECEIVED AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THAT COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED AS THE DECISION OF THE BOARD.

Motion 053 (16-12-13) by T. Thomas

Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 29, 2016, BE AMENDED TO EXCLUDE THE DECISION REGARDING THE MOTION TO RESCIND THE MOTION OF THE MAY 24 BOARD MEETING:

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE CLOSURE OF ST. DUNSTAN AND ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOLS EFFECTIVE JUNE 2017. STUDENTS OF ST. DUNSTAN SCHOOL RESIDING NORTH OF EGLINTON BE DIRECTED TO ST. HERBERT SCHOOL. STUDENTS RESIDING SOUTH OF EGLINTON BE DIRECTED TO ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL. ST. GERTRUDE REGULAR TRACK STUDENTS BE DIRECTED TO ST. VALENTINE SCHOOL AND FRENCH IMMERSION STUDENTS BE DIRECTED TO ST. GREGORY SCHOOL.

DEFEATED

Motion 052 (16-12-13) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by S. Hobin

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 29, 2016, BE RECEIVED AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THAT COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED AS THE DECISION OF THE BOARD.

CARRIED

A recorded vote was requested:

YEAS: Trustees D. D'Souza, M. Pascucci, S. Hobin, A. da Silva, L. del Rosario

A. Abbruscato

NAYS: Trustees T. Thomas, B. Iannicca, F. Di Cosola, S. Xaviour, E. O'Toole

Motion 067 (17-01-24) by L. del Rosario

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 13, 2016,
EXCLUDING ITEM L, BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.**

CARRIED

i) Business Arising from the Minutes
Nil

B Awards and Presentations
Nil

C Pastor's Remarks

M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, introduced a video presentation featuring Mitrophoric Archpriest Roman Galadza, St. Elias Ukrainian Catholic Church.

D Delegations

1. J. Duong—East Credit PAR

J. Duong, parent, St. Gertrude School, delegated the board on his own behalf, querying the reasons and rationale behind the decision to close the school.

Trustee F. Di Cosola respectfully advised the delegation that the board has voted on this item three times and in his opinion it would be wrong to give hope of a reversal of the board's decision.

Motion 068 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by B. Iannicca

**THAT THE DELEGATION, J. DUONG, PARENT, ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL, BE
RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

2. D. Luis—Closing of St. Gertrude

D. Luis, parent of St. Gertrude French Immersion student, delegated the board on his own behalf, to address his concerns with the closing of St. Gertrude School. His concerns were related to perceptions and observations of parents regarding transportation, portables, start times, kindergarten students waiting for flex boundary considerations, the perceived sale of the land and requested announcements to address clarity and transparency of the concerns.

In response to Trustee A. da Silva's inquiry, M. Mazzorato advised the board has not entered into discussions with respect to the sale of the land. D. Del Bianco, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, advised prior to the sale of any school property, the Board of Trustees must first declare the property surplus. This is an open and public process. Once trustees declare the property surplus the board must circulate to other school boards, it requires ranking, and none of that has transpired.

Trustee F. Di Cosola inquired about a process to address parent concerns such as daycare and bell times. D. Del Bianco, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, advised the information will be provided through the Transition Committees which have been established for all the schools involved, to fine tune the transition of students from one school to another over the course of this year. STOPR is sending communication to the schools to discuss bell time adjustments for the school year. Questions and concerns should be forwarded through the Transition Committees. The Transition Committees have been in place since late last year; meetings are publicized on the board and school websites and questions can be directed through the principal or superintendent.

Trustee F. Di Cosola inquired about the process of the Traffic Safety Council and communication to parents. D. Del Bianco advised it has been communicated and has gone to the respective School Traffic Safety Council for assessment.

In response to Trustee S. Hobin, M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, advised that staff has confirmed with child care providers; they will accommodate all child care needs in those communities and parents have the right to apply for flex boundary as per the flex boundary process. Superintendent L. Papaloni added the information was shared at the transition meeting and is posted on the Transition Committee website under the Q and A section.

Trustee S. Hobin inquired about the French Immersion random selection process. Associate Director S. McWatters advised that, as part of the regular French Immersion process, on-line applications are currently being accepted.

Motion 069 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE DELEGATION, D. LUIS, CLOSING OF ST. GERTRUDE, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

E Updates/Information/Reports from Trustees, for Receipt

- i) Regular Reports
Nil
- ii) Good News Items

Trustee S. Hobin shared:

Loyola Catholic Secondary School

On the last day of exams, January 30, the HOPE club will go to downtown Toronto to hand out donated new mitts, hats and gloves. The donations will come from the Loyola school community. Loyola will be collecting mitts, scarves and winter hats for the next several weeks in order to have a supply to hand out to people living on the streets. This is being organized by the Loyola HOPE group.

The Loyola HOPE Club coordinated Cram a Cruiser. All period 1 classes were given a box to fill with non-perishable food items, then crammed two police cruisers full of 1,185 pounds of donated food for the local Eden Food Bank Christmas food drive.

Through a paid civvies day, the Loyola school community presented a cheque for \$1,700 to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society to provide gift cards for their Christmas baskets.

I would just like to commend all of the schools in Dufferin-Peel for their tremendous outpouring for help to many charities over the Christmas season. Food banks, St. Vincent de Paul, Armaugh House, ShareLife, and so many more charities were helped by the kindness and generosity of our school communities. So amazing.

St. Mark School

For the past two months, St. Mark hosted teachers from Korea with DPCDSB's Global Learning Institute and Peel International Education Alliance, enjoyed the hustle and bustle at St. Mark School and added much excitement to the community with their engaging activities, lessons, stories and songs. Our students and staff had a unique and memorable time with our Korean friends, and they in turn will share their experiences with their own students back in Korea. Many schools are using their Pro Grant dollars to bring parent engagement workshops to their school communities. Topics addressing Homework, wellness, bullying, and technology are only a few being prepared for the school communities.

I would also like to commend all of the school councils in my area for all of their hard work in providing support to student learning through their fund raising activities. All of this work is not missed by the trustees of this board.

Trustee A. da Silva shared:

Father C. W. Sullivan School has been selected to be profiled by the Region of Peel for the Great Big Gulp to be held on March 9, 2017.

Bishop Francis Allen School

The Knights of Columbus, through St. Mary Parish, is hosting a free-throw basketball competition at St. Monica School and Bishop Francis Allen School is warming up a team of 12 boys and girls to represent the school with their skills.

The intermediate students are working through inter-school competition as they prepare to send the school finalist to the CWL Intermediate Speech Competition in early February.

Trustee L. del Rosario shared:

First of all, I want to thank Superintendents D. Finegan-Downey and L. Papaloni, Principals O'Neil, Matos, Parker, Pugliese, De Vellis-Carino, LeClair, staff and parents, involved in the transitions. Thank you for all your cooperation in working together to ensure smooth transitions of our students. It is hard for everyone but my colleagues and I do appreciate all your efforts.

St. John XXIII School

Congratulations to the students of St. John XXIII for sharing the spirit of Christmas season with senior residents and staff of Silverthorn Care Centre on Mississauga Road. The Junior and Intermediate members of the *Jammin' Jayhawks* performed a beautiful medley of Christmas songs and afterwards, students presented the residents with Christmas cards expressing good wishes for the New Year.

St. Herbert Elementary School & St. Joseph Secondary School

Thank you to St. Joseph Secondary School for their generous support of the St. Herbert Reading Boot Camp. Congratulations to St. Joseph's Department Head of Religious Studies for creating *A Call to Serve team* as a social justice initiative. Over 20 secondary school students were placed on a daily schedule that had 30 of St Herbert's level 1 and/or 2 students receive reading support twice a week. The Boot Camp ran for three months from October to December, every day after school. The reading levels of participating students increased as a result of the Reading Boot Camp. Parents appreciated the extra support and are eager to have the Reading Boot Camp begin again in the second semester. The most rewarding result was seeing the improved self-esteem and confidence our readers displayed as their reading skills developed. It has become a genuine community builder.

Congratulations to all my schools who are involved in the Eco Projects and for all the great Christmas concerts that were produced.

Congratulations to St. Joseph Secondary School Link Crew teacher leaders, G. Hoffman and A. Simeone for creating a Cookies and Cram events taking place this month. Members of the schools Link Crew volunteer their time to provide one on one tutoring with Grade 9 students as they get ready for their first high school exams. Students gather in the library and enjoy snacks of hot chocolate and cookies while they prepare for their exams.

Congratulations to St. Marcellinus Secondary School PIP students for hosting a Christmas Market in December. They sold Christmas crafts they created as well as cookies and jam which they also made. They also had the opportunity to learn to give change to their customers. As well, thank you to Principal F. Furguele and the vice principals for hosting a few events just before the Christmas break. Our Peel Police partners were very grateful for the opportunity to meet the staff and the Trustees.

Trustee T. Thomas shared:

Holy Cross School

Principal J. Sestito and Vice Principal M. D'Alessandro received a glowing letter from His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins congratulating Holy Cross Catholic Elementary School and Community for raising \$3,004.00 during the 2016 Sharelife campaign and \$8,895.21 cumulatively for Sharelife over the last five years. In his letter, he details the importance of reaching out to young people to offer education concerning local initiatives of mercy and compassion within the Archdiocese of Toronto. Thomas Cardinal Collins encourages all of the Holy Cross community to live every moment in a spirit of gratitude, looking for ways to use fruitfully all that has been given to us, in the service of God and our neighbour.

Holy Cross School continues to reduce its carbon footprint by installing a new water filling station. The water station has been very popular with students and teachers. Since the installation in early January, Holy Cross saved 461 plastic water bottles from entering garbage cans, recycling bins and landfills. Friday announcements at Holy Cross include a *Did you Know* regarding the number of plastic bottles that have been saved by using the new water filling station.

Trustee D. D'Souza shared:

St. Alphonsa Elementary School has been successful in securing an email list, comprised of 100% of all parents, and are able to provide electronic copies of school correspondence such as reminders and newsletters. Critical news will still go home in hard copy, as necessary. Students are also encouraged to upload their school assignments to the cloud rather than printing hard copies for teacher assessment.

St. Edmund Campion Secondary School

We are proud to announce that Campion Graduate TIA JOHN is this year's recipient of the Lincoln Alexander Award. This award is given to young people who have shown strong leadership in eliminating racial discrimination. Three awards are given out province-wide each year: two Student Awards and one Community Award. Tia arrived in Canada from St. Vincent in 2012 and adjusted to new school, community and culture. She overcame adversity while demonstrating excellent communication skills, empathy, gratitude and humility as a school leader. Tia is involved in her parish and also volunteers in the community at a local long term care facility.

The school has received letters from two families supported over the years through the North/South Awareness Social Justice initiatives. The letters are testaments of how the Campion community continues to live the Gospel by helping those in need both near and far away.

Trustee Xaviour shared:

Our Lady of Providence School

A wonderful Christmas concert engaged the entire community in celebrating the birth of our savior.

Our Lady of Providence hosted a very successful *Nutrition 101 Parent Engagement Event* to promote healthy eating and physical activity for students.

As part of the Toys for Tots Campaign students and staff filled a Police cruiser full of toys for those who may have been struggling at Christmas.

Good Shepherd School held a Christmas Celebration evening on December 19 for all families. It included a primary Christmas concert, a junior art gallery, kindergarten students and their parents building gingerbread houses, a visit from Santa, a bake sale by the Catholic School Council and hot chocolate for all. The turnout was fabulous and parents were thrilled with the variety. The night which also included a visit from Shawn Xaviour. It was a great success and students were proud of their work and all their effort.

Father Clair Tipping School

The Catholic School Council supported local families in the community through Helping Hands at St. Marguerite d'Youville Parish by providing Father Robert with a cheque for \$500 at the Advent Mass in December. Cash donations and gift cards were also donated to the parish by the school community.

The Music Features Program is a big success with the students at Father Clair Tipping School. Students are using the instruments in conjunction with the iPads to create songs. There is also a drop in on Tuesdays where students come to the music room during lunch and recesses to learn more about the instruments. Staff are in the process of starting a guitar club.

The Intermediate students are involved in a Coding Club every Friday. They are learning to create games and other programs using Code.org and Scratch.

The Green Goblins are active promoting litterless lunches and various energy reducing initiatives.

The Healthy Schools Action Team has met with the school nurse from the Region of Peel and a representative from the City of Brampton to plan various events to raise awareness about Healthy Eating, Physical Fitness, Walk to School Days and Healthy Snacks/Lunches.

Venerable Michael J. McGivney Catholic School held three well attended CHRISTmas Concerts on December 21st, engaging the community in celebrating the meaning of Christmas.

The school also hosted a very successful fundraiser for ShareLife, the Staff/Student Volleyball Game held on January 13th.

St. Isaac Jogues School

In partnership with the Brampton Beast ECHL hockey team, St. Isaac Jogues have created the Jogues Jet Squad, an anti-bullying group. The group promotes positive behaviour and has coordinated dance assemblies, morning announcements, attendance and announcements at Beast hockey games.

On December 21, St. Isaac Jogues students performed a Nativity Play for the school community. The cast included students from JK- Grade 8.

St. Isaac Jogues Student Faith Ambassadors continued their annual Christmas tradition of attending the Dr. Simone Food Bank. On December 20, 2016, 30 Intermediate students attended and worked tirelessly to help those less fortunate. This is the 12th straight year that intermediate students have worked at the Food Bank during the season of Advent.

Fr. Francis McSpirtt Catholic School had a very successful food drive for the Knight's Table that serves the community. Youth Faith Ambassadors visited Hawthorne Long Term Care Centre and sang Christmas songs and performed the Nativity play for the residents. The primary division performed a Christmas concert for the parent community called "Lose Yourself in a Christmas Story".

Holy Spirit Catholic School

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic and Holy Spirit Catholic School communities worked together to support 160 seniors at the local retirement home this Christmas.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School

Student Council Faith Ambassadors and the school community reached out to various charities and communities. Coats for Kids had 20 bags of gently used coats donated to the Knightsbridge Community Centre.

Helping Hands, in partnership with St. Patrick's Parish, supported 160 seniors at Leisure World and five families in the parish community. The school raised and donated \$800 to the St. Patrick Parish community.

The Family Advent Mass Bake Sale raised \$545 which was donated to the Knight's Table.

Students collected 2500 pounds of food and seven boxes of brand new Toys for Tots for distribution through Peel Regional Police.

Our Lady of Lourdes school community was invited to *Be A Giving Source*, by taking part in the B.A.G.S. initiative, an outreach project providing the material goods in the bags to the needy families in our local community.

St. André Bessette Catholic School helped eight families within the community with baskets and gifts for Christmas. Over 200 families participated in the Catholic School Council hosted community Movie Night. Funds raised went to help families in the parish. Every class participated in the school-wide *Mannequin Challenge* and the final student created a video that was shared with all students on the last day before the break. St. André Bessette had an FDK and Primary Christmas concert for parents. We celebrated a mass for St. Andre Bessette Feast day on January 11th. We continue to provide information about healthy program 5210, encouraging healthy eating, physical activity, through public health nurse involvement, student led announcements and newsletter inserts.

Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School unveiled 3 student paintings in the library. Students transformed old 1980s posters into amazing paintings depicting well known books and their main characters. Students from Holy Name of Mary's Legacy Team organized and ran several events at the Arts Olympics held at Notre Dame. Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School held their Annual Christmas Show on December 23. Students and staff showed off their talents in the areas of music, drama, visual arts and dance.

Trustee E. O'Toole shared:

Congratulations to St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School. St. Joan of Arc was recognized as one of six schools across Ontario as engaging in successful practices and strategies, significantly improving students' success in applied math over a three year period.

Trustee F. Di Cosola shared:

St. Peter School

On the evening of December 14th, St. Peter School held a Christmas Concert related to the *True Meaning of Christmas*. Every class performed a song, dance or play.

St. Peter School Council hosted a Christmas Community Night at Teen Ranch on December 21st. A non-perishable food item donation was asked to support the Hamper Drive. Families made Christmas crafts and were invited to take a picture with Santa. There was a free skate for families and friends at St. Peter School.

During the month of December, St. Peter School assisted the Society of St. Vincent de Paul through the local parish, St. Timothy. The parish is always very impressed that a small school can donate so many items. Students were responsible for decorating the hampers with a Christmas theme.

As part of the Adopt a School program, the Brampton Beast held an assembly at St. Peter School on January 12th to promote teamwork and fair play. On Saturday, January 14th the students at St. Peter went on the ice at the Powerade Centre in Brampton and held the flag for the playing of the national anthem before the game.

St. Michael Catholic Secondary School

St. Michael School is celebrating Canada's 150th Anniversary by having students sing *O Canada* every morning. Last Thursday morning we had Matthew, one of our Planning for

Independence Program students, leading the National Anthem over the PA. Matthew was cheered by students and staff for his excellent effort singing O Canada.

Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School

Robert F. Hall's musicians took to the road for their annual Christmas concert this year. Recognizing the ongoing sacrifices of time and travel that Dufferin residents make to attend events held at the school, Hall's musicians reached out and said thank you by holding the Christmas concert at the newly renovated Westminster United Church on Broadway, in scenic downtown Orangeville. Although the performance was postponed from the original date due to the season's first snow storm, the audience was treated to a beautiful venue with excellent acoustics. One of the highlights of the evening was the first public performance of a new Christmas hymn, *St. Joseph's Lullaby*, performed by the Liturgical Choir and composed by the school's Chaplain, Nisheeta Menon.

St. Benedict School

On Monday, December 19th, students from Grades 1 – 8 performed the Nativity Story for parents. They did a lovely job sharing the story of our faith through song. The school also supported the Orangeville St. Vincent de Paul food and mitten drive, providing local families with food for Christmas.

Holy Family School

Holy Family celebrated the Living Nativity with the school and parish community. Students reenacted the very first Christmas in English and in French. The Youth Faith Ambassadors and youth choir played a vital role in preparing for this faith filled event. Father Larry blessed the straw from the nativity, and all families received a small bag of blessed straw to take home as a reminder to spread kindness and love in all they do.

St. John Paul II Catholic School

The Youth Faith Ambassadors visited King Nursing Home in Bolton, along with members of the teacher choir, and joined in performing and singing Christmas carols with the elderly. They will visit them at different times throughout the year.

The Catholic School Council hosted a Christmas Market for the school community. The event involved vendors from the community, poinsettia sales, a bake sale (all goods donated by school community members) and the school choir greeted guests in the front foyer with their angelic voices.

St. Cornelius School

The St. Cornelius School Community showed the true meaning of Christmas through their various social justice initiatives. The projects during the month of December included: Project Gift Box, Cram a Cruiser, Operation Smile and Out of the Cold. The contributions supported many families in the community and around the world this Christmas and the generosity demonstrated was incredible. The Christmas tree in the front foyer was bursting with gift boxes!

The Annual Cram-a-Cruiser Christmas Food Drive was very successful. St. Cornelius School's goal was to fill four cruisers. However, the enthusiasm was astonishing and students and staff were able to fill five Caledon OPP cruisers with non-perishable food items which supported the local food banks. These generous donations have demonstrated the true meaning of Christmas in the spirit of giving, hope and charity.

The Operation Smile Team coordinated spirit week activities, sold Christmas cards created by the students in the Operation Smile team and also challenged students to do good deeds to earn donations from their family. Every \$240 raised helps to fund 1 surgery for children in underdeveloped countries. This year the school raised \$706.95. These donations were matched by Operation Smile, therefore, the school donations contributed to surgeries for 6 children. Way to go St. Cornelius!

St. John the Baptist School

The St. John the Baptist School community once again gave generously so that children around the world can know the joy of Christ! The school delivered almost 200 shoeboxes to the Processing centre in Waterloo. These boxes will be distributed in Uruguay, Sierra Leone, Senegal, Ivory Coast, Guinea Bissau, Haiti and Costa Rica.

St. Andrew School

The Student Faith Ambassadors coordinated the Annual PROJECT 'MERCY' boxes to donate to Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children Foundation and reached the goal of one container per family. The Grade 8 students personally delivered them to the warehouse on December 21st. The entire group of students also worked hard that morning in packing an entire shipping container filled with needed food and clothing going to Guatemala. We are very proud of all the students and parents for their incredible support of Project Mercy!

F Information/Reports from Committees, for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Mississauga Public Library Board Meeting, November 16, 2016

Motion 070 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MISSISSAUGA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING,
NOVEMBER 16, 2016, BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, December 14, 2016

Motion 071 (17-01-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by L. del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING, DECEMBER 14, 2016, BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

G Information/Reports from Administration, for Receipt

1. Letter of Retirement—F. Bernard, Principal

M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, highlighted Principal F. Bernard's career at Dufferin-Peel and her tireless work to support students and families. Director Mazzorato wished Principal Bernard all the best in her retirement.

Trustee D. D'Souza thanked Principal Bernard for her service and wished her well in her retirement.

Motion 072 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by D. D’Souza

**THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT RECEIVED FROM F. BERNARD, PRINCIPAL,
BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.**

CARRIED

2. Director’s Annual Report 2015-16—M. Mazzorato

M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, presented the annual report noting, in the interest of environmental stewardship, the report will be posted on the Board website and will be communicated to the community.

Motion 073 (17-01-24) by A. Abbruscato Seconded by A. da Silva

THAT THE DIRECTOR’S ANNUAL REPORT 2015-16, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

H Trustee, Committee, Administration Reports, Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, January 10, 2017
—F. Di Cosola

Motion 074 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by S. Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING, JANUARY 10, 2017, BE RECEIVED AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF
THAT COMMITTEE BE ADOPTED AS THE DECISION OF THE BOARD.**

CARRIED

Motion 075 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by S. Xaviour

**THAT THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE
2017, BE ADOPTED.**

CHAIR:	F. Di Cosola	
VICE CHAIR:	S. Xaviour	
TRUSTEES:	A. Abbruscato, A. da Silva, L. del Rosario, F. Di Cosola, D. D’Souza S. Hobin, B. Iannicca, E. O’Toole, M. Pascucci, T. Thomas, S. Xaviour	
STUDENT TRUSTEES:	(January to August) J. Alvi, T. Glod (September to December) TBD	
RESOURCE STAFF:	Superintendent, Financial Services Superintendent, Planning & Operations Superintendent, Human Resources & Employee Relations Superintendent, Learning Technologies and Chief Information Officer	J. Cherepacha D. Del Bianco C. Pitoscia R. Eberhardt
MONITORING:	Associate Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer	J. Hrajnik

The Administration and Finance Committee will,
1) review policies, consisting of general principles relating to the effective stewardship of board resources such as real property planning, financial planning, human resources and employment, accommodation, plant, transportation and technology and make

- appropriate recommendations to the Board of Trustees or refer to the Board's By-Law/Policies Review Committee for consistency as necessary;
- 2) consider matters pertaining to all corporate services;
 - 3) ensure that the annual financial goals and objectives are aligned with the board's multi-year strategic plan for development of the operating and capital budget;
 - 4) consider the financial implications of any overall budget variances as necessary through review of the interim financial reports;
 - 5) review all matters pertaining to advocacy, partnerships and community relations.
 - 6) review matters as referred by the Board and make appropriate policy recommendations.
- REPORTS TO: The Board of Trustees
MEETINGS: Once a month, at the discretion of the Chair
- CARRIED**

Motion 076 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by S. Xaviour

THAT THE PROPOSED 2017-2018 BUDGET CALENDAR AND THE PROCESS FOR PUBLIC BUDGET CONSULTATION, AS OUTLINED IN THE REPORT, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Motion 077 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola Seconded by S. Xaviour

THAT TRUSTEE T. THOMAS REPRESENT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ON THE PEEL SAFE AND ACTIVE ROUTES TO SCHOOL (PSARTS) COMMITTEE FOR 2017.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, January 17, 2017
—L. del Rosario

Motion 078 (17-01-24) by L. del Rosario Seconded by A. da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, JANUARY 17, 2017, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 079 (17-01-24) by S. Hobin Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT SUBMISSION OF THE RESOLUTION, FUNDING FOR STUDENTS WITH DIVERSE LEARNING NEEDS INCLUDING SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS, TO THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION, BE APPROVED.

MOVED BY: Trustee S. Hobin
SECONDED BY: Trustee L. del Rosario
TOPIC: FUNDING FOR STUDENTS WITH DIVERSE LEARNING NEEDS INCLUDING SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

WHEREAS: The principles of the draft ministry resources *Learning for All: K-12*, the aligned Inter-Ministerial Provincial Transition Framework and commitments to supporting successful transitions for all students (PPM 156) are founded on beliefs that all students can succeed and that student well-being, achievement, student

- WHEREAS:** voice and engagement need to be supported in an inclusive learning environment; and
School boards continue to be challenged in their ability to design effective school and system improvement plans when funding and other pressures may arise in delivering a ministry-mandated criterion-referenced curriculum with related expected practices while adhering to a universal design for learning approach which honours success for all through personalized instruction; and
- WHEREAS:** Building capacity of staff through professional learning in support of all diverse learners is critical to student well-being and student achievement; recognizing the need to have adequate time for consolidation and practice of new learning; and
- WHEREAS:** The Ministry of Education, Ministry of Child and Youth Services and Ministry of Health's mental well-being, special education and renewed mathematics strategies will need sustainable commitments to keep pace with growth communities and to respond to changing needs and societal demands in equitable and transparent ways; and
- WHEREAS:** School boards continue to be faced with challenges related to providing specialized programming, support and human resources to ensure that all students achieve their fullest potential.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION PETITION THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW ON-GOING EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING AND CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THE CHANGING NATURE AND COMPLEXITY OF STUDENT NEEDS AND REQUIRED SUPPORTS BY PROVIDING ADEQUATE FUNDING THAT REFLECTS THE ACTUAL NEED WITHOUT RESULTING IN THE REALLOCATION OF FUNDING FROM OTHER BUDGET LINES.

CARRIED

Motion 080 (17-01-24) by A. da Silva

Seconded by D. D'Souza

THAT SUBMISSION OF THE RESOLUTION, STUDENT TRANSPORTATION FUNDING, TO THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION, BE APPROVED.

MOVED BY: Trustee A. da Silva
SECONDED BY: Trustee D. D'Souza
TOPIC: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

- WHEREAS:** Funding for student transportation by the Ministry of Education has not been reviewed in a comprehensive manner for several years, save for the Effectiveness and Efficiency (E&E) reviews; and need to be supported in an inclusive learning environment; and
- WHEREAS:** The provision of student transportation services is paramount in ensuring school safety and safe arrival of students to and from

school, as well as being relied upon by many families to transport all students including the very young and students with special needs; and

WHEREAS: Costs associated with transportation to increase (i.e., fuel costs, cap and trade program, fleet costs, etc.); and

WHEREAS: Cost adjustment increases have been provided only to school boards with transportation deficits.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES’ ASSOCIATION PETITION THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW TRANSPORTATION FUNDING IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE FUNDS TO ALLOW SCHOOL BOARDS TO PROVIDE A LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT MEET THE NEEDS OF ALL ELIGIBLE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS.

CARRIED

Motion 081 (17-01-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by E. O’Toole

THAT SUBMISSION OF THE RESOLUTION, DAILY OCCASIONAL TEACHER ROSTER CAPS, TO THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION, BE APPROVED.

MOVED BY: Trustee S. Hobin

SECONDED BY: Trustee E. O’Toole

TOPIC: DAILY OCCASIONAL TEACHER ROSTER CAPS

WHEREAS: Daily occasional teacher roster caps are articulated in local collective agreements; and

WHEREAS: Recent local OECTA – OT negotiations were restricted with respect to addressing daily occasional teacher list caps by OECTA Central Agreement status quo clauses as a result of central table negotiations; and

WHEREAS: Certain school boards are faced with challenges in providing adequate coverage for permanent teacher absence due to restrictions as a result of the daily occasional teacher cap size as found in local agreement language pre-dating the 2012 round of negotiations; and

WHEREAS: Seniority based hiring as per Regulation 274 negates the original intent of an Occasional Teacher CAP; and

WHEREAS: The ability to call upon and place qualified occasional teachers is critical to ensure student well-being, achievement and safety.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES’ ASSOCIATION PETITION THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO A DAILY OCCASIONAL TEACHER LIST CAP FROM ALL CENTRAL TABLE DISCUSSIONS, THEREBY GIVING BOARDS THE OPPORTUNITY TO RENEGOTIATE THIS ITEM LOCALLY BETWEEN INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL BOARDS AND THEIR LOCAL BARGAINING UNIT.

CARRIED

Motion 082 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT SUBMISSION OF THE RESOLUTION, ONTARIO REGULATION 274/12 – HIRING PRACTICES, TO THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION, BE APPROVED.

MOVED BY: Trustee F. Di Cosola

SECONDED BY: Trustee T. Thomas

TOPIC: ONTARIO REGULATION 274/12 – HIRING PRACTICES

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 has been imposed upon school boards with regards to hiring practices; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 stipulates that occasional teachers be ranked in terms of seniority and placed on a roster; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 outlines a prescribed process and timeline for the posting of available teaching positions; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 stipulates consistency in teacher assignment supports student achievement and well-being; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 has ramifications in terms of providing consistency and continuity of teachers in classrooms; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 has ramifications in terms of hiring practices addressing individual student needs and ability to hire staff who are reflective of the diversity in the school communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: School Boards are directed to hire from the top five qualified candidates limiting management rights.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION PETITION THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW REGULATION 274 – HIRING PRACTICES, TO ALLOW SCHOOL BOARDS TO EXERCISE MANAGEMENT RIGHTS IN HIRING AT THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD LEVEL THEREBY ENSURING CONSISTENCY OF CONTINUOUS TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS IN CLASSROOMS FOR BOTH LONG TERM VACANCIES AND PERMANENT VACANCIES.

CARRIED

3. Public Budget Consultation Webcast—J. Cherepacha/B. Campbell

J. Cherepacha, Superintendent of Financial Services, reviewed the report, the proposal of the implementation of a Public Budget Consultation Webcast, a media tool used to invite the community to provide input into budget matters. This webcast is scheduled for Wednesday April 26, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Details of the webcast will be provided by the Communications Department. Staff responded to questions of clarification. Trustee B. Iannicca requested an electronic copy of the report.

Motion 081 (17-01-24) by D. D'Souza

Seconded by E. O'Toole

**THAT THE REPORT, PUBLIC BUDGET CONSULTATION WEBCAST, BE RECEIVED.
CARRIED**

Motion 082 (17-01-24) by E. O'Toole

Seconded by S. Hobin

**THAT THE PUBLIC BUDGET CONSULTATION WEBCAST, PART OF THE PUBLIC
BUDGET CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR 2017-2018, BE APPROVED.
CARRIED**

I Notice of Motion

Nil

J Additional Business

Nil

K Questions asked of, and by Board Members

1. Trustee B. Iannicca requested an analysis on costs to operate and maintain busettes, the budget utilized, the benefits of having them and challenges of smaller schools. Superintendent T. Lariviere indicated a full review is currently in process.
2. Trustee B. Iannicca requested card access to schools in trustees' wards.
3. Trustee B. Iannicca requested that recycling good on one side (GOOS) paper be collected at the Catholic Education Centre.
4. In response to Trustee F. Di Cosola's inquiry about teachers assigning work through e-learning on snow days, R. Eberhardt advised every teacher and student have accounts for Desire2Learn. M. Mazzorato, Director of Education, noted that it has not been stated that teachers are to provide e-learning types of assignments on snow days. The technology is available and staff will review the development of readiness for teachers.
5. Trustee A. da Silva requested ongoing updates on bus driver shortages.
6. Trustee E. O'Toole requested the challenge of licensed busette drivers be addressed in the report.
7. In response to Trustee S. Hobin's inquiry regarding ice in the school yard, D. Del Bianco, Superintendent of Planning and Operations advised there are currently no issues with supply of salt and sand. Expectations can be reviewed with contractors and the issues addressed.
8. In response to Trustee S. Hobin, M. Mazzorato advised staff will review and report usage of the Desire2Learn (D2L) Platform.
9. In response to Trustee S. Hobin's inquiry, Superintendent C. Blanchard advised upon registration each student receives a password and access to the Desire2Learn platform.

10. Trustee E. O'Toole requested trustees be provided with a common trustee newsletter. Staff will provide prior to the March break.

L Declared Interest Items

The following Trustees left the meeting for the declared interest item.

Trustee M. Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

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

Trustee S. Hobin —family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee A. da Silva—related to the Trustee Code of Conduct

Trustee A. Abbruscato—family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee E. O'Toole assumed the Chair.

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 13, 2016, Item L Declared Interest Items

Motion 083 (17-01-24) by L. del Rosario

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 13, 2016, ITEM L, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Trustees who had declared an interest rejoined the meeting.

M In Camera Session

Motion 084 (17-01-24) by F. Di Cosola

Seconded by E. O'Toole

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

CARRIED

N Rise and Report

Approved the Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting, December 13, 2016; Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, January 10, 2017; Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, January 17, 2017.

Received: Administrative Update and Legal Matter.

Motion 085 (17-01-24) by D. D'Souza

Seconded by E. O'Toole

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

CARRIED

O Future Meetings

February 28, 2017
March 28, 2017

April 25, 2017
May 23, 2017

June 20, 2017

P Adjournment

Motion 086 (17-01-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED at 9:45 P.M.

CARRIED