



MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

CEC - Room 301

Trustees:	Luz del Rosario	Chair
	Thomas Thomas	Vice-Chair
	Brea Corbet	Trustee
	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi	Trustee
	Darryl D'Souza	Trustee
	Bruno Iannicca	Trustee
	Mario Pascucci	Trustee
	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Anisha Thomas	Trustee
	Herman Vioria	Trustee
	Shawn Xaviour	Trustee
	Leroy Onuoha	Student Trustee
	Dea Sokoli	Student Trustee
Staff:	Marianne Mazzorato, Ed.D.	Director of Education, Secretary to the Board
	David Amaral	Associate Director, Instructional Services
	Daniel Del Bianco	Associate Director, Corporate Services
	Julie Cherepacha	Executive Superintendent, Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
	Wayne Brunton	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Silvana Gos	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Brian Hester	Superintendent, Financial Services
	Jodi Kuran	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Carmel Murphy	Superintendent, Program and Learning Services
	Lucy Papaloni	Superintendent, Special Education and Learning Services
	Tammy-Lynne Peel	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Adrian Scigliano	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Stephanie Strong	Superintendent, Human Resources and Employee Relations
	Mathew Thomas	Superintendent, Planning and Operations
	Margaret Beck	Counsel
	Mike Damad	Chief Information Officer
	Bruce Campbell	General Manager, Communications and Community Relations
	Theresa Davis	General Manager, Human Resources
	Christiane Kyte	General Manager, Clinical Services and Special Education
	Richard Moriah	General Manager, Physical Plant Facilities
	Carrie Salemi	General Manager, Finance
Recorder:	Cindy Child	Board and Committee Information Officer

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance
Chair Luz del Rosario called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. National Anthem

The Chair acknowledged and thanked Martina Ortiz-Luis, Kibwe Thomas and Sole Power Productions for permission to use their recorded version of the national anthem.

3. Opening Prayer led by Trustee Herman Viloría

4. Land Acknowledgment - Trustee Brea Corbet

5. Approval of Agenda

Addition of C 3.
Distribution of M5a and M5b.

Motion 1025 (23-5-23)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

MOTION TO ADD C 3, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Motion 1026 (23-5-23)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

- a. Approval of Calendar Items - Nil

6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items M 6 a. and the item was moved to M 9.

1. Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA
2. Trustee Bruno Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA and CUPE 2026
3. Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, April 25, 2023

Motion 1027 (23-5-23)

Moved by Thomas Thomas

Seconded by Herman Viloría

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, APRIL 25, 2023, EXCLUDING DECLARED ITEM M 6 a., BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Attached.

B. Pastor's Remarks: Video Presentation by Monsignor Shiels - Our Blessed Mother Mary.

Chair Luz del Rosario requested that Director Mazzorato express our gratitude to Monsignor Shiels for his thoughtful and meaningful message about Our Blessed Mother Mary.

C. Awards and Presentations

1. Proclamation Heritage Month

DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PROCLAMATION RECOGNITION OF
NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH
FILIPINO HERITAGE MONTH
ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH
PORTUGUESE HERITAGE MONTH
AT
DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

WHEREAS: The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board is located in the jurisdictions of Peel Region and Dufferin County, home to populations of persons from around the world including Indigenous Peoples, persons of Italian, Filipino and Portuguese descent, and;

WHEREAS: In 2009, the Government of Canada declared June as National Aboriginal Month and June 21st as National Aboriginal Day and, subsequently, in 2017, the Government of Canada officially changed these designations to National Indigenous Peoples History Month and National Indigenous Peoples' Day, and;

WHEREAS: In 2018, the Government of Canada proclaimed the month of June as Filipino Heritage Month and June 12 is Philippine Independence Day, and;

WHEREAS: In 2010, the Government of Ontario proclaimed the month of June as Italian Heritage Month, and in 2017, the Government of Canada also declared the month of June as Italian Heritage Month across Canada, and;

WHEREAS: In 2001 the Government of Ontario proclaimed June 10 as Portugal Day and the month of June as Portuguese History and Heritage Month and, additionally, in 2017, the House of Commons of Canada officially designated June as Portuguese Heritage Month, and;

WHEREAS: Indigenous peoples, Filipinos, Italians and Portuguese Canadians have contributed to enriching the diversity and social fabric, not only in this region of Ontario, but also across Canada, and;

WHEREAS: The Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board has students from each of these communities enrolled in its schools;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board proclaim June as National Indigenous Peoples History Month, Filipino Heritage Month, Italian Heritage Month and Portuguese

Heritage Month, with schools encouraged to recognize and celebrate, as appropriate, through various educational, cultural, and religious activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board proclaim June 2 as Italian National Day, June 10 as Portuguese Heritage Day, June 12 as Filipino Heritage Day, and June 21 as National Indigenous Peoples Day.

2. Presentation: S.J. Ulan Professional Contribution Award 2023 - Joseph DaCosta, Teacher at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Secondary School (CSS)

Director Mazzorato recognized Joseph, a recent recipient of the Ontario Cooperative Education Association S.J. *“Jack” Ulan Award*. Jack Ulan was the first President of the Ontario Cooperative Education Association (OCEA). The Jack Ulan Professional Contribution Award is presented annually to individuals who have distinguished themselves by making an outstanding contribution to Cooperative Education and other forms of Experiential Learning over a number of years.

Congratulations to Joseph for this outstanding achievement.

The assembly gave him a round of applause and photos were taken with the Board of Trustees.

3. Ontario Schools Cricket Association (OSCA) Essay Winners

Director Mazzorato highlighted the achievements of two students who received Honourable Mention for their submissions in the Ontario School Cricket Association’s (OSCA) Essay Contest. These students received a letter of congratulations from Premier Ford and a gift certificate which OSCA has asked DPCDSB to present to them along with our certificate of congratulations.

- Serene Minaya Revelpulle from St. Faustina CES
- Adeona Mercado from Philip Pocock CSS

Adeona Mercado was present and received a round of applause from the assembly and had photos taken with her mother and the Board of Trustees.

D. Delegations

1. Raising the Pride Flag at Schools - Rhaya Clyne

Questions asked by the Trustees to Staff:

1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: What is the flag protocol?

Director Mazzorato: The government of Canada has a protocol for respect of the Canadian flag that states it should fly on its own.

2. Raising the Pride Flag at Schools in June - Laura Fieldhouse, Barbara Pereira, Vanessa Carty and Quinn Cousineau

3. Catholic Principles and the Pride Flag - Timothy Deen
4. Raising of Pride Flag - Matthew Wojciechowski

Question to the Delegate:

1. Student Trustee Dea Sokoli: Please clarify transhumanism, and why you brought that up?

Delegate Matthew Wojciechowski: The idea of transhumanism is that we are our own god(s) and can choose to be who we want to be, it is a rejection of God's creation as male and female. The technological aspect is related to the belief that we can use our bodies for our own purposes and uses, which includes cloning. We disconnect from God and move further away from what it means to be human.

Question to Staff:

2. Student Trustee Leroy Onuoha: When I became a student trustee, I wanted to represent students like me, Black students, and other students who are marginalized or racialized. Why can't we fly the Pride Flag at all schools throughout the month of June so that we are inclusive of all students?

Deacon Ray Frendo: I believe this is what the school board stands for, walking with people in their journey. We have passionate people on both sides, it is like we are walking in the same direction with a wall between us.

E. Updates/Information/Reports from Trustees for Receipt

1. Regular Reports

- a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Report - Trustee Shawn Xaviour
 - Toonies for Tuition funds by OCSTA are being fundraised. The funds will be allocated for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - Presentations delivered during OCSTA's 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference and the 2023 OCSTA/OCSBOA (Ontario Catholic School Business Officials Association) Business Seminar have been uploaded to the secure Members' Centre of the OCSTA website.

Trustee Luz del Rosario passed the chair to Trustee Thomas Thomas.

Trustee Luz del Rosario congratulated Trustee Mario Pascucci. He has been elected Chair of the OCSTA Large School Boards Committee. The committee meets twice yearly, and he will provide updates following their meetings.

Trustee Luz del Rosario resumed the chair.

- b. Student Voice - Leroy Onuoha (North) and Dea Sokoli (South)

At the OCSTA conference it was such an honor to be greeted by the lovely words of Archbishop Leo and take part in the many activities that help to promote the faith of Catholic education. Within our student trustee sessions at the conference, we discussed equity and inclusion in schools. One of the workshops provided us with

highlights of the initiatives and strategic plans of the Durham Catholic District School Board. We ended this conference with a session by Dr. Niigaan Sinclair on reconciliation and education. This powerful talk on the lessons we can take away from the Papal visit allowed us to reflect on how we can further advocate for reconciliation as Catholics.

Recently, we were able to attend another conference, the Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA) AGM was held from May 18 to 21. We are extremely grateful to have had Nathan Nguyen and Kristen Balisi, the incoming Student Trustees, attend as well. During this conference, OSTA highlighted its year of student advocacy. We discussed what life looks like after moving on from our role, while incoming student trustees were given great opportunities for professional development and networking.

OSTA ran their annual elections. Though the position went to another student, we are incredibly proud of Nathan for putting his name forward and running for the Catholic Board Council Vice-President. He delivered an incredibly compelling speech to a room of fellow student trustees. In all, this concluded two years' worth of meaningful relationships and learning opportunities. Truly, we thank the DPCDSB for providing us with these fortuities. It was an emotional goodbye, but an even better reflection on our time as student trustees.

We have our May student senate meeting on May 29 at the Silvercreek Outdoor Centre, wherein we will begin wrapping up our work. Student Senate elections have started and will continue until June 9. A final meeting has been scheduled online for June 7, in which the Research Department will share their findings of the data accumulated through the DPCDSB student census. We will share a few updates on proposals and projects to ensure a smooth transition into the next school year.

As for the school environment, students are slowly getting ready for the start of summer vacation. Our schools are still busy with various activities providing fun opportunities for students, as Culminating Performance Tasks (CPT) and exams approach. In addition, our senior students are looking forward to prom and graduation events. Coming into June, schools are celebrating both Pride Month and Indigenous History Month, both are wonderful ways to celebrate diversity and inclusivity to end off the school year.

We are sentimental to be moving forward into serving our last month, yet we await what other opportunities of advocacy and leadership there are ahead.

Chair Luz del Rosario congratulated both student trustees on how well they represented DPCDSB at the OCSTA AGM.

c. Good News Items

Trustee Brea Corbet

Mississauga Wards 9 and 10

Congratulations to the music program at St. Aloysius Gonzaga CSS in Mississauga Ward 9, which is also shared with Trustees Luz del Rosario and Herman Viloria. Our

talented students and staff won four (4) gold medals and one (1) silver medal from the national competition.

Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi
Caledon-Dufferin

I was honoured to attend the March for Life in May with many staff and students. This year DPCDSB students lead the march in Ottawa and carried the banner. As Catholics we respect the sanctity of life. Thank you to Director Mazzorato for supporting our participation in this amazing event.

Trustee Bruno Iannicca
Mississauga Ward 7

I attended two school plays during Catholic Education Week. The first at Mary Fix CES was *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*, and the second was at St. Jerome CES, *the Lion King Junior*. Both were amazing nights for staff, students and their families. It gives many students an opportunity to shine beyond academics and sports. Thank you to everyone for the significant investment of your time: staff and students alike.

It was a real pleasure on May 9 to welcome back former St. Martin CSS alumni Major Antonio Gomez as he landed his helicopter on the school field. He spoke to the students about life in the Military and gave students a chance to imagine what possibilities are available for ordinary students like himself. Thank you to Superintendent Gos, General Manager Campbell, and Principal Jason Pratt for navigating a seamless event. This was a life-changing experience for the students.

Last month we had the Human Trafficking Virtual Presentation hosted by the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) in partnership with the Peel Regional Police, and with guest speakers Tamia and Michelle who have lived experiences. Thank you to Superintendent Brunton for approving the funds and creating a successful, highly informative parent engagement event.

Trustee Luz del Rosario passed the chair to Trustee Thomas Thomas.

Trustee Luz del Rosario
Mississauga Wards 6 and 11

Congratulations to Aisha Biabani, a Grade 12 student at St. Joseph CSS who won first place in the Annual Dominican Friar's Youth Interfaith Video Contest. The contest was open to students across Ontario from Grades 9-12. The theme was "Creating a Pathway to the Future" and how to build and cultivate solidarity in multi-religious and multi-cultural societies. Aisha will receive a monetary award of \$650 and will be recognized in a special ceremony on Saturday, June 3. The St. Joseph CSS community is very proud of Aisha, and we wish her success in all her future endeavors.

Trustee Mario Pascucci
Mississauga Ward 1

St James Catholic Global Learning Centre held a *Primary Years Program Exhibition* for Catholic Education Week. They hosted students and their families, St. Mary Star

of the Sea Church representatives, fellow International Baccalaureate (IB) students from MacLachlan College, and Family of Schools Superintendent Steer. Congratulations to the staff on a successful event.

Trustee Luz del Rosario resumed the chair.

F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, April 11, 2023
2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, March 21, 2023
3. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, April 12, 2023
4. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, April 13, 2023
5. Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, February 7, 2023
6. Minutes of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting, March 28, 2023
7. Minutes of the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, February 21, 2023
8. Secondary School Scholarships and Awards Committee Report

G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration for Receipt

1. Retirement - L. O'Neill

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Linus O'Neill. Linus joined the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB) community in 1992 and over his 30 years has served in the capacity of elementary and secondary teacher, elementary vice-principal, and principal.

Linus started his career as a Grade 6 teacher at Pierre Laporte and then decided to move into secondary where he taught History, Phys Ed, and Special Education at both John Cabot CSS and St. Aloysius Gonzaga CSS.

Linus moved to the role of elementary administrator in 2007 when he became vice-principal at St. Bonaventure CES and St. Monica CES. He was promoted to principal of St. Dunstan CES in 2010. In 2017 he was transferred to St. Luke CES from where today he has decided to retire after a wonderful career as a servant leader.

Throughout Linus's career in DPCDSB, he has been a strong advocate for students in his care. His deep love of young people, his commitment to student achievement and well-being, as well as his commitment to students with diverse learning needs has been his focus throughout his career. Linus's sense of humour, care, and support of staff and students are the hallmarks of his leadership.

Linus leaves a legacy of excellence in Catholic education coupled with a testament to the power of embracing care and compassion as a framework for ensuring student success and well-being.

Linus will be truly missed by staff, students, and parents/guardians alike. We wish him the best as he embarks on his new journey.

Trustee Luz del Rosario passed the chair to Trustee Thomas Thomas.

1. Trustee Luz del Rosario: I accept Linus's retirement with regrets. I worked with him during the Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR) at St. Dunstan CES. He was a good advocate for students and parents/guardians and very supportive when the difficult

decision was made to close the school. He made it easier for the community by having a goodbye concert and encouraged the sharing of good memories of time spent at St. Dunstan CES. I wish him a long and happy retirement.

Trustee Luz del Rosario resumed the chair.

2. Retirement - S. Mifsud

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Sharon Mifsud. Sharon began teaching in DPCDSB in 1990, and in her 33 years in the board she has served as a Catholic educator in the capacity of classroom teacher, vice-principal and principal.

Sharon taught at St. Anne CES and St. Monica CES before becoming an administrator in 2007. She served as vice-principal at St. Andrew CES, St. Benedict CES, Good Shepherd CES and St. Maria Goretti CES.

She was appointed as principal at St. Maria Goretti CES in 2011; and was appointed principal of Employee Relations in 2016.

Sharon's philosophy of education has been one of service to others through her gentle ways with kindness and patience. In particular, Sharon has always been able to approach challenges with calmness and wisdom, often diffusing tensions. She has garnered the respect and admiration of the communities she has worked in and among her colleagues, senior management, the unions and staff in her current role of Principal, Elementary, in the Employee Relations Department.

We wish Sharon well in her retirement.

3. Retirement - D. Compagnon

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Dan Compagnon. Dan is a respected leader in DPCDSB. He has shared his many gifts with multiple school communities. Dan began his teaching career in 1993 and taught at Robert F. Hall CSS, Ascension of Our Lord CSS, and Iona CSS.

Dan then served as a vice-principal at Loyola CSS, Mount Carmel CSS and St. Edmund Campion CSS. Dan has been a principal since 2009 and has led the communities of St. Thomas Aquinas CSS, Cardinal Ambrozic CSS, and St. Francis Xavier CSS. Throughout his time as principal, Dan consistently demonstrated a commitment to building vibrant relationships in his leadership and in his interactions with students, parents/guardians, and staff members. Dan has published multiple articles and has been a significant contributor to multiple board level initiatives, sharing his expertise as an instructional leader. He has also provided significant opportunities for all students to share their God given gifts through his leadership in athletics.

Dan's passion for Catholic education and his belief in the potential of every child inspires us all to strive for excellence. Dan has been a trusted mentor to numerous administrators; his exceptional leadership skills have been far-reaching, positively influencing many other DPCDSB leaders.

I would like to thank Dan for his unwavering commitment to our students and schools. His leadership and guidance will be deeply missed. He will leave behind a legacy of kindness,

generosity, and tireless dedication. On behalf of the entire DPCDSB community, we thank Dan for his many years of service and wish him all the best in future endeavors.

1. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: I have only worked with him a short time. I wish him well in his retirement.
2. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: I accept Linus's retirement with regrets. I am fortunate to have had Dan as my principal while I was a student, and the pleasure of working with him in the capacity of administrator and trustee. Dan will be very missed. I wish him well.
3. Trustee Herman Vilorio: Dan and I have been colleagues for many years, and I have worked with him through summer school. I wish him a long and happy retirement.

4. Retirement - S. Macaluso

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Sam Macaluso. Sam began his career with DPCDSB in 1984 as a teacher at St. Francis Xavier CES. In 1985 as an elementary teacher, he was part of the original staff that opened St. Cornelius CES. In 1991, he moved to the secondary panel at St. Thomas Aquinas CSS. In 1996 he moved to St. Joseph CSS as department head of Social Studies.

In 2000, he was appointed vice-principal at Our Lady of Mount Carmel CSS where he served for five years and was influential in creating and supporting the Alternative Education Program. In 2005, he moved to Iona CSS where he was influential in the fruition of the Arts Program.

In 2008, he was promoted to principal of Father Michael Goetz CSS. In 2013, he moved to St. Martin CSS where he contributed to the development of the Regional Centre for Sports Program. He was then appointed to St. Joan of Arc CSS. In every community that Sam has worked in, he has always put students first.

During his career Sam has served and provided his expertise on a number of committees. He enjoyed leading the *Ciao Italia* summer program as the principal for three years.

We thank Sam for his 39 years of service and dedication to Catholic education in Ontario and at DPCDSB. We wish him well in his retirement.

1. Trustee Brea Corbet: I accept his retirement with regret. I've had the pleasure of working with Sam Macaluso at St Joan of Arc CSS over the past 5 years. I recall as a new trustee, uncertain of my role and how to fill the shoes of my former trustee. Mr. Macaluso gave me a small orange feather, put it in my hand and said, " just be you, that's enough for you to fly." I thank Sam for not only teaching our students and leading our staff but am grateful for his support. He is accomplished and humble, and I wish him all the best.
2. Trustee Herman Vilorio: I had the pleasure of working two summers with Sam. I wish him many happy years of retirement.
3. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Sam always put the health and well-being of all students first. He enjoyed having the Regional Centre for Sports. I hope he has a wonderful retirement. God bless.

4. Trustee Luz del Rosario: With regret I accept Sam's retirement and congratulate him on his 39 year career with DPCDSB.

5. Retirement - R. Davenport

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Rita Davenport. Rita began her career in DPCDSB in 1992. She taught at St. Thomas More CES, St. Jude CES and St. Raymond CES before her placement as vice-principal at St. Julia in 2017.

Rita also served the St. Veronica CES community as vice-principal before becoming principal of St. Ursula CES in 2019. Rita deftly led the community through COVID shutdowns and remote learning, supporting teachers in creating and maintaining virtual classrooms and fostering a positive climate and community engagement in challenging circumstances. Throughout her time as principal, Rita consistently demonstrated a commitment to excellence in her interactions with students, parents/guardians, and staff members. Her leadership is one that values diversity and encourages every student to reach their full potential. Her passion for education and her belief in the potential of every child inspires us all to strive for excellence.

On behalf of the entire DPCDSB community, I want to thank Rita for 31 years of unwavering commitment to this board and Catholic education. Her leadership and guidance will be deeply missed.

1. Trustee Luz del Rosario: With regret I accept Rita's retirement and congratulate her on her 31 years of service to DPCDSB. I began working with Rita when she was a teacher. Rita is a very good coordinator of activities and initiatives in her school. I wish her a long and blessed retirement.

6. Retirement - C. Athaide

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Caroline Athaide. Caroline began her career in DPCDSB, serving as an ERW (educational support worker) at Holy Cross CES and Corpus Christi CES. Upon obtaining her degree in education, she returned to DPCDSB and began her teaching career at St. Francis Xavier CES. Following St. Francis Xavier CES, Caroline taught at St. John Fisher CES for 14 years. During her teaching career Caroline also served as an Early Literacy Special Assignment teacher within Mississauga East Family of Schools.

Caroline was appointed as vice-principal to Metropolitan Andrei CES where she served for two years. In 2013 she was appointed as principal, St. Dominic CES. Caroline saw St. Domenic CES through the transition of relocating to St. Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic Learning Centre while the school was renovated. Caroline currently serves the St. Teresa of Calcutta CES community where she has been for six years.

Caroline has selflessly shared her talents within a variety of committees and portfolios with DPCDSB. In her personal time, Caroline has worked with the families and children of the St. Francis Xavier Parish, serving as principal of the Sacramental Preparation Classes. She carefully navigated COVID by successfully developing an online program where over 300 students participated in sacramental preparation. Caroline adeptly coordinates the work of 20 volunteers, communicates with the parish, organizes registration and masses for each of the sacraments. This year over 500 students have received preparation for the sacraments of reconciliation, first eucharist and confirmation.

Caroline has served school communities as a faith-filled leader who recognizes the dignity and opportunity within each child. She has gracefully navigated the challenges of a school relocation and is recognized for her integrity and strong leadership within this process.

Within her school or parish community, Caroline has shown herself to be a tireless and dedicated leader who truly values each individual as a blessed child of God. Her legacy within DPCDSB will endure through her various and varied contributions.

1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: I accept her retirement with regret. Caroline is simply amazing, a great community builder and a wonderful principal. Caroline will be missed by parents/guardians, students and staff. I wish her a blessed next chapter.

7. Retirement - J. Barca

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Janice Barca. Janice came to DPCDSB in 1992 and for over 31 years has served in the capacity of teacher, SERT (special education resource teacher), vice-principal, and principal.

Janice began at St. Gerard CES where she taught a number of different grades and worked as a SERT supporting students of diverse learning needs. Her deep commitment and dedication to engaging with her community was second to none. In 2018, Janice decided to turn her attention to a bigger calling and became a vice-principal at St. Valentine CES, but soon moved forward to become principal, returning to her beloved home St. Gerard CES. After three and a half years as principal of St. Gerard CES in Mississauga South, Janice has decided to embark once again on a new journey.

Throughout Janice's career in DPCDSB, she has been a strong advocate for all students. Her deep love of children, her passion and commitment to student achievement and well-being as well as her commitment to students with diverse learning needs has been Janice's focus throughout her career. Through the many years that Janice was in the St. Gerard CES community she continually exhibited a gentle demeanour and a caring interaction with each parent/guardian and staff; always ensuring appropriate supports were in place for every student in her care and always ensured that St. Gerard CES was a nurturing and supportive environment for all. Janice's passion and care have been the hallmarks of her leadership, making all in her presence feel loved and supported. Throughout the many years that she has been in the St. Gerard CES community she has provided all students the opportunity to nurture their faith and to grow in their love of learning. She leaves a legacy of excellence in Catholic Education coupled with a testament to the power of embracing the Ontario Catholic School Graduate Expectations as a framework for ensuring student success.

Janice will truly be missed by staff, students, and parents alike. We wish her all the best as she embarks on her new journey.

1. Trustee Luz del Rosario: With regret I accept Janice's retirement and congratulate her on her 31 years of service to DPCDSB. Janice is a good community builder and has brought a lot of stability to the St. Gerard CES community. I wish her well on her journey.

8. Retirement - M. Cassar

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Mark Cassar. Mark came to DPCDSB in 1991 and began his career as a Grade 8 teacher at St. Gabriel CES, St. Raphael CES and St. John the Baptist

CES. In 2002, he was appointed vice-principal to Holy Cross CES, then moved to St. Raphael CES, Canadian Martyrs CES and St. Philip CES. In 2010, Mark was appointed as principal of Holy Cross CES where he spent four years. He then went to Corpus Christi CES and won the Premiers Award as Principal of the Year in 2013. Mark then went on to Guardian Angels CES before being appointed to open St. Alphonsa CES. Mark then went to St. John Paul II CES where he is now.

Throughout Mark's career, he has been a strong advocate for children. Mark is very proud of building a community in the Brampton West Family of Schools as he opened St. Alphonsa CES. Other highlights include his focus on improving Math strategies and growth mindset. Mark has always been part of his Family Of Schools Math Improvement Team and was thrilled when Stanford University Professor Jo Boaler travelled to St. Alphonsa CES to see cutting edge Math classes and then reported her findings in an international magazine, YouCube. His greatest accomplishment was seeing that his students loved Math.

Mark believes passionately in servant leadership and infusing Gospel values. He will be missed.

1. Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovanozzi: With regret I accept Mark's retirement and congratulate him on 31 years of service to DPCDSB. Mark is a fine principal and will be missed. May he be blessed on his next journey.

Trustee Luz del Rosario resumed the chair.

2. Trustee Thomas Thomas: With regret I accept Mark's retirement. He is a good communicator, a fine gentleman and has worked very hard with staff, students and families. I wish him all the best.

H. Trustee/Committee/Administration Reports Requiring Action

1. Motions Recommended by the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, May 16, 2023

Motion 1028 (23-5-23)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE RECISSION OF POLICY 6.75: SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM: IDENTIFICATION, PLACEMENT AND REVIEW COMMITTEE.

CARRIED

Motion 1029 (23-5-23)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROCEDURAL BY-LAW AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

Motion 1030 (23-5-23)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 1.06: ELECTRONIC MEETINGS AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.*

CARRIED

Motion 1031 (23-5-23)

Moved by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVES *POLICY 5.25: STUDENT TRUSTEES AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.*

CARRIED

Motion 1032 (23-5-23)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Herman Vilorio

THAT BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 5.30: SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.*

CARRIED

Motion 1033 (23-5-23)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 6.59: SCHOOL GRADUATIONS AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.*

CARRIED

Motion 1034 (23-5-23)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE REVISED *POLICY 8.03: EMERGENCY INSTRUCTORS AND ADOPTS AS AMENDED.*

CARRIED

Motion 1035 (23-5-23)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE RECISSION *OF POLICY 11.00: PROVISION OF SERVICES TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.*

CARRIED

I. Notices of Motion - Nil

J. Additional Business - Nil

K. Questions Asked of, and by, Trustees

1. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: At the last Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) meeting the question was raised regarding the possibility of having a proclamation day for staff that work with students with special needs.

Director Mazzorato: We recognize all staff annually with the *Proclamation: Staff Appreciation Day* on May 1, the feast day of St. Joseph the Worker, the Patron Saint of Workers.

2. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Recently students that learn differently received awards of recognition at the Father Michael Goetz CSS awards event. The students and their parents/guardians were so excited and appreciative. We have talked in the past about having these awards presented at all secondary schools. Is it possible to create a policy around ensuring this is occurring at all secondary schools?

Director Mazzorato: We will discuss this with the Secondary Principal/Vice-Principal Committee and report back.

3. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Is there an inventory of what technology is available per school?

Associate Director Del Bianco: ICT is working with schools to collate and verify equipment. Once completed we will share information in Issues and Events.

4. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: If there is any work being done to remove asbestos, is it done throughout the week or when school is closed?

Superintendent Thomas: Generally speaking, all maintenance and construction where we might disturb asbestos would be after school hours, and likely during the weekend.

5. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: It has come to my attention that some families have missed sacraments when they did not attend mass and hear announcements regarding registration dates. Is there anything we can do to assist these families?

Director Mazzorato: Parishes are in charge of the sacraments. We can ensure the dates are shared with families.

6. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide an update if, and when the number of empty seats in our schools improves?

Associate Director Del Bianco: We do capture and provide the enrolment data in our annual Long Term Facilities Master Plan (LTFMP). If there is an unexpected change, we would advise.

7. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide information on student activity fees per secondary school?

Associate Director Amaral: We have a committee working on this presently and should relay information shortly.

8. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide an update on bank service fees charged to CSCs and what the future might look like?

Superintendent Hester: We are reviewing all bank service fees and will provide specifics as determined. We are notified if there are changes to processing fees. Your reference is also to cost recovery fees. These are fees tied to payment processing. The payment goes directly to the third party provider. The processing fee/cost recovery fee is built into the cost that the parent/guardian pays for the goods or service if applicable.

9. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide a summary of Bill 98 within a week or two?

Director Mazzorato: We will put together a briefing for trustees.

10. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide an update on the communication tower being installed?

Superintendent Thomas: We have not received any information regarding the current installation of a tower. Depending on the size of a tower there are requirements to work with the municipalities, who would contact us directly.

11. Trustee Brea Corbet: Another question regarding student activity fees: do we have a maximum cost for proms and semi-formals? I ask because there are Grade 11 semi-formal events charging \$75 per student, and Grade 12 prom events charging as much as \$120 per student. I am concerned about the rising cost since the pandemic and the competition for venues for these events.

Associate Director Amaral: Reviewing the costs of these events is part of the committee work.

L. Declared Interest Items – Nil

M. In Camera Session

Motion 1036 (23-5-23)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN CAMERA MEETING IN RESPECT OF TIMED PRIVATE IN CAMERA SESSION TRUSTEE ONLY, PERSONNEL MATTER, AND APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES, RECEIPT OF COMMITTEE MINUTES, ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS, DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PRINCIPALS AND YEARS OF SERVICE AT THEIR CURRENT SCHOOLS, AND A MOTION RECOMMENDED BY THE CONTRACT AND NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE WITH REFERENCE TO THE CRITERIA SET OUT ABOVE.

CARRIED

N. Report from In Camera

Report: Approval of In Camera Minutes and Receipt of In Camera Committee Minutes, Administrative Appointments and Transfers, Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Principals Years of Service at their Current Schools, and a In Camera Recommendation by the Contract and Negotiations Committee, May 2, 2023 and In Camera Private Trustees Only Approval of In Camera Private Trustees Only Minutes, two Personnel Matters.

Motion 1037 (23-5-23)

Moved by Anisha Thomas

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

MOTION FROM IN CAMERA THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE IN CAMERA RECOMMENDATION BY THE CONTRACT AND NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE, MAY 2, 2023 REGARDING RATIFICATION.

CARRIED

O. Future Meetings

June 20, 2023

P. Adjournment

Motion 1038 (23-5-23)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 11:15 P.M.

CARRIED



K	Questions asked of and by Trustees	
Q 2	Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Recently students that learn differently received awards of recognition at the Father Michael Goetz CSS awards event. The students and their parents/guardians were so excited and appreciative. We have talked in the past about having these kinds of awards presented at all secondary schools. Is it possible to create a policy around ensuring this is occurring at all secondary schools?	Ongoing.
Q 3	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Is there an inventory of what technology is available per school?	On-going
Q 5	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: It has come to my attention that some families have missed sacraments when they did not attend mass and hear announcements regarding registration dates. Is there anything we can do to assist these families?	Ongoing. Communications will create a school newsletter insert encouraging parents/guardians to contact their local parish for registration dates in the fall.
Q 7 & 8	Q 7 Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide information on student activity fees per secondary school? Q 8 Trustee Brea Corbet: Another question regarding student activity fees: do we have a maximum cost for proms and semi-formals? I ask because there are Grade 11 semi-formal events charging \$75 per student, and Grade 12 prom events charging as much as \$120 per student. I am concerned about the rising cost since the pandemic and the competition for venues for these events.	Ongoing.
Q 10	Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide a summary of Bill 98 within a week or two?	Bill 98 has received royal assent. A briefing is being prepared.