

## MINUTES

### Regular Board Meeting

**Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m.  
Conference Call**

Trustees:	Sharon Hobin	Chair
	Luz del Rosario	Vice Chair
	Brea Corbet	Trustee
	Anna da Silva	Trustee
	Frank Di Cosola	Trustee
	Bruno Iannicca	Trustee
	Mario Pascucci	Trustee
	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Thomas Thomas	Trustee
	Shawn Xaviour	Trustee
	Leroy Onuoha	Student Trustee
	Dea Sokoli	Student Trustee
Regrets:	Darryl D'Souza	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
	Deborah Finegan-Downey	Superintendent, Special Education and Learning Services
	Silvana Gos	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Brian Hester	Superintendent, Financial Services
	Jodi Kuran	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Martine Lewis	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Cairine MacDonald	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Carmel Murphy	Superintendent, Program and Learning Services
	Lucy Papaloni	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Tammy-Lynne Peel	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Stephanie Strong	Superintendent, Human Resources and Employee Relations
	Mathew Thomas	Superintendent, Planning and Operations
	Max Vecchiarino	Superintendent, Equity, Policy, Strategy, Research
	Margaret Beck	Counsel
	Richard Smith	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
Recorder:	Cindy Child	Board and Committee Information Officer

**A. Routine Matters**

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

2. Land Acknowledgment – Chair Sharon Hobin

3. 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.

4. Opening Prayer

Chair Sharon Hobin led the Opening Prayer. We keep in our prayers the people of Ukraine. We have many families in our community that have loved ones in Ukraine, and we keep all in our thoughts and prayers.

5. Approval of Agenda

Distributed: H 5 and M 4 a.

**Motion** 647 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded by** Stefano Pascucci

**THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

- a. Approval of Calendar Items – Nil

6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items A 7 and M 1 a.

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

**Motion** 648 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Luz del Rosario

**Seconded by** Bruno Iannicca

**THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEMS L AND M 9.**

**CARRIED**

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, January 25, 2022

**Motion** 649 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 25, 2022, EXCLUDING ITEMS A 7 AND M 1 A., BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

- a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Attached.

**B. Pastor's Remarks: Video Presentation by Monsignor Shiels - Be the Light.**

Chair Sharon Hobin asked the Director to pass on sincere gratitude to Monsignor Shiels, who brings us such comfort in times of trouble. She requested that the quote by Elizabeth Gilbert be shared with the Board of Trustees.

**Motion** 650 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Brea Corbet

**THAT THE PASTOR'S REMARKS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**C. Awards and Presentations - Nil**

**D. Delegations - Nil**

**E. Updates/Information/Reports from Trustees for Receipt**

1. Regular Reports

- a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Report – Trustee Luz del Rosario

- The highlights of the OCSTA board meeting on February 4 were sent to all trustees.
- OCSTA issued a resource *2022 Voting Information for Catholic Ratepayers* to support the tremendous work of Catholic school boards. This information can be provided with DPCDSB material *Are You Ticked*. Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) has developed a resource [www.voterlookup.ca](http://www.voterlookup.ca)
- OCSTA continues to strongly advocate for the necessary changes within the *Assessment Act* and *Education Act*, which continue to prolong the default mechanism of property taxes. Over the past few months OCSTA has met with representatives of the Ministry of Finance as well as a number of MPPs to advance advocacy efforts.
- OCSTA AGM & Conference is to be held in-person April 21 to 23 in Ottawa. We encourage you to attend as we will be electing our President, Vice-President and CCSTA representative. If you are unable to attend, kindly complete the proxy form. Please let Doreen Bachle know if you plan to attend to avail of the early bird fee by March 4, 2022.

**Motion** 651 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE VERBAL REPORT, ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

2. Student Voice – Student Trustees Leroy Onuoha (North) and Dea Sokoli (South)

We had the privilege of attending the Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA-AECO) conference. We participated in workshops and networked with student trustees from different school boards. Education Minister Stephen Lecce was in attendance, and we asked him a few pressing questions. We are ecstatic at the announcement that the province is allocating funds for more mental health programs.

The student trustee election is being held tomorrow. All candidates will meet with Superintendent Lewis and then present to the assembly. Delegates from each school will select the student trustees for the north and south of DPCDSB. We hope for a fruitful election tomorrow.

February 17 was our last senate meeting. Students inquired about COVID measures and return to sports and extracurricular activities, and Superintendent Lewis answered questions regarding the provincial announcements. As this meeting marked the halfway point, we took time to look through the many initiatives the student senate has been involved in and to plan for the rest of the year. Through this, we were able to gauge where the interests lie, and identify ways to promote anti-racism. In addition, the senate discussed how to improve Black History Month in our schools, including how we can promote Black excellency outside of February. Our next student senate meeting will be held on March 24.

**Motion** 652 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Shawn Xaviour

**Seconded by** Stefano Pascucci

**THAT THE VERBAL STUDENT VOICE REPORT, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

3. Good News Items

**Trustee Bruno Iannicca**

**Ward 7 Mississauga**

I had the opportunity to attend a ribbon cutting ceremony at Dundas and Hurontario for the new Cooksville sign. The event was well attended and recognized the uniqueness of the Cooksville area.

**Motion** 653 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded** Mario Pascucci

**THAT THE GOOD NEWS REPORT, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt**

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, January 11, 2022

**Motion** 654 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Stefano Pascucci

**Seconded by** Mario Pascucci

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, JANUARY 11, 2022, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, January 18, 2022

**Motion** 655 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Shawn Xaviour

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, JANUARY 18, 2022, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

3. Revised Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, November 16, 2021

**Motion** 656 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Shawn Xaviour

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE REVISED MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 16, 2021, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

4. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, December 2, 2021

**Motion** 657 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Stefano Pascucci

**Seconded by** Bruno Iannicca

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, DECEMBER 2, 2021, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

5. Minutes of the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council Meeting, December 2, 2021

**Motion** 658 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRAMPTON SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL MEETING, DECEMBER 2, 2021, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

6. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, January 19, 2022

**Motion** 659 (22-02-22)  
**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca  
**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, JANUARY 19, 2022, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

7. Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, November 9, ,2021

**Motion** 660 (22-02-22)  
**Moved by** Anna da Silva  
**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE, NOVEMBER 9, 2021, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration for Receipt**

1. Retirement - J. Chambers, Principal

James Chambers’ career with the DPCDSB has spanned over 30 years and he has developed excellent friendships along the way. His career started as a teacher at Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Secondary School (CSS), he then he moved to Cardinal Leger CSS for 11 years and then to Cardinal Ambrozic CSS.

He was appointed Vice-Principal at St. Marguerite d’Youville CSS in 2013 and then St. Francis Xavier CSS in 2018. He was appointed principal of St. Joseph (Brampton) Catholic Elementary School (CES) in 2020.

James’s dedication to student well-being was felt both in the school and on the many sports teams that he coached. He worked with staff and students with STEM as well as provided support on the Black Educators and Staff Mentoring Team (BEST). Throughout his career James has been a champion for matters with respect to equity.

We wish James continued good health and a happy retirement.

1. Trustee Anna da Silva: I would like to thank James for his service to the St. Joseph Brampton Community and to our school board. I wish him well in his retirement.

**Motion** 661 (22-02-22)  
**Moved by** Anna da Silva  
**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE RETIREMENT OF PRINCIPAL JAMES CHAMBERS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

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

1. Appointment of Trustee Representatives to the OCSTA Board of Directors

Director Mazzorato summarized the report and advised that the nominations are for representatives to the OCSTA Board of Directors for the term of April 2022 until April 2024. This process will take place every two years in February.

Chair Sharon Hobin requested nominations.

Trustee Luz del Rosario was nominated by Trustee Bruno Iannicca.  
Trustee Luz del Rosario accepted the nomination.

Trustee Sharon Hobin was nominated by Trustee Shawn Xaviour.  
Trustee Sharon Hobin accepted the nomination.

Trustee Thomas Thomas was nominated by Trustee Shawn Xaviour.  
Trustee Thomas Thomas accepted the nomination.

In accordance with Board practice, Chair Sharon Hobin, requested further nominations three times. There being none, nominations were declared closed.

**Motion** 662 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Brea Corbet

**THAT THE NOMINATIONS BE CLOSED.**

**CARRIED**

The nominees briefly addressed the assembly in order of their nomination.

Trustee Luz del Rosario addressed the assembly.

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the chair to Vice-Chair Luz del Rosario.*

Trustee Sharon Hobin addressed the assembly.

Trustee Thomas Thomas addressed the assembly and thanked Trustee Shawn Xaviour for his nomination. He withdrew his name for election of the OCSTA Director representing DPCDSB.

Trustee Luz del Rosario announced that the two representatives for DPCDSB, as acclaimed, are Trustee Sharon Hobin and Trustee Luz del Rosario for 2022-2024.

1. Trustee Anna da Silva: Congratulated and thanked Trustees Sharon Hobin and Luz del Rosario for their ongoing work at OCSTA. She thanked Trustee Thomas Thomas for his hard work and dedication to the organization and highlighted his negotiation skills noting that he has been involved in many negotiations over the years and has been an asset to the Negotiation Committee.
2. Trustee Sharon Hobin recognized Trustee Thomas Thomas for his work and commented that the continued success of OCSTA is built upon the work of those that go before us, we learn from the impact you have made. She thanked the Board of Trustees for allowing her to move forward and promised to work really hard.
3. Trustee Thomas Thomas thanked Trustees Anna da Silva and Sharon Hobin for their kind words.

*Trustee Sharon Hobin resumed the chair.*

**Motion 663 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Luz del Rosario

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE REPORT *APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE OCSTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS*, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 664 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Mario Pascucci

**THAT THE APPOINTMENT OF THE TRUSTEE REPRESENTATIVES, SHARON HOBIN AND LUZ DEL ROSARIO BE APPROVED AS THE DPCDSB REPRESENTATIVES ON THE OCSTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

**CARRIED**

2. Motion Recommended by the Administration and Finance Committee, February 1, 2022

**Motion 665 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Stefano Pascucci

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED 2022-2023 BUDGET CALENDAR AND BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.**

**CARRIED**

3. Motion Recommended by the Audit Committee, February 1, 2022

**Motion 667 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE AUDIT COMMITTEE - 2022.**

**CARRIED**

4. Motion Recommended by the Faith and Program Committee, February 8, 2022

Chair Sharon Hobin noted the amendment to the calendar should read December 23, 2022 to Friday, January 6, 2022.

**Motion 666 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Brea Corbet

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR FOR SUBMISSION TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, AS AMENDED.**

**CARRIED**



5. Proposed Capital Priorities Program 2022-2023

Superintendent Thomas introduced the report and Manager Cox summarized the submission process.

1. Trustee Anna da Silva: Can you explain the point system used in the priority ranking?

Manager Cox: There are a variety of categories for consideration. We consider enrollment versus capacity of the school. Points are given for age of facility, undersized gyms, no specialty rooms etc., and points are added if there are requests made, such as the Region of Peel requesting childcare space. We submit business cases for any new projects that were not previously submitted to the Ministry for the Capital Priorities (CP) Program.

2. Trustee Anna da Silva: St. Anne Catholic Elementary School (CES) has no drop off area. How are safety concerns addressed in this point system?

Manager Cox: Along with the point system there is a written component, we have captured the safety concern and have addressed this in the redesign proposal.

3. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: At St. Timothy CES we have seen growth. If you remove the Relocatable Classroom Module (RCM) and replace it with bricks and mortar what will be the capacity?

Manager Cox: There will be six classrooms and additional washrooms.

4. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Regarding memorial plaques. As we do with new schools, at the time of a renovation, are the trustees' names on a plaque to note that they have approved the project? I would like to ensure that this occurs.

Manager Cox: We will get back to you on that request.

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the chair to Trustee Luz del Rosario*

5. Trustee Sharon Hobin: Do we know when the next announcement for CP Projects may occur?

Superintendent Thomas: We believe that what we have reviewed this evening will be the final round before the June election. However, what occurs post-election remains to be determined. At the time of the 2018 election, we did see delays in the CP Programs, generally speaking they are reviewed every 12 to 18 months. He noted that St. Joachim CES was not ranked in the top four CP Programs as this request for additional space has been declined repeatedly in the past as the Ministry does not support projects that are due to specific board choices. St. Joachim CES has high enrolment due to the demand of French Immersion (FI). The Ministry has suggested enrolment pressure can be alleviated by using the surrounding schools.

6. Trustee Sharon Hobin: In regard to the Mount Pleasant Secondary School and the proposed artificial turf field, would this be a joint-use cost with the City of Brampton?

Superintendent Thomas: We have had conversations with the City of Brampton, to gauge their interest in partnering with us, they identify that currently they do not have any plans to create a standalone facility and are keen to partners. We have not worked

out specifics. Our proposal identifies the cost of the school and per pupil placements and the business case indicates all of the joint use possibilities, we have indicated that the City of Brampton is keen to partner on the field and related costs.

7. Trustee Anna da Silva: St. Augustine CSS field is unsafe, and we have been using the public school field (David Suzuki Secondary). I would like to request that we consider putting the replacement or St. Augustine CSS field on the CP Program list for consideration.

Superintendent Thomas: Replacement of a field does not qualify under the CP Program.

8. Trustee Anna da Silva: Is it possible to have a report on the cost of replacing this field?

Superintendent Thomas: As referenced, General Manager Moriah is providing a report on the status of all fields and the cost of replacement will be included in this report.

*Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the Chair.*

**Motion 668 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Shawn Xaviour

**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROPOSED 2022-2023 CAPITAL PRIORITIES, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 669 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Mario Pascucci

**Seconded by** Bruno Iannicca

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RANKING OF THE PROPOSED 2022-2023 CAPITAL PRIORITIES.**

**CARRIED**

6. Motions Recommended by the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, February 15, 2022

**Motion 670 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Brea Corbet

**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE BOARD BY-LAW/POLICIES REVIEW COMMITTEE - 2022.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 671 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ADOPT REVISED POLICY 4.75: ACCEPTABLE NETWORK USE AND SECURITY, AS AMENDED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 672 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ADOPT REVISED POLICY 8.12: PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 673 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RESCISSION OF POLICY 25.00: STUDENTS USING PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES (PEDs) ON BOARD PREMISES AND/OR AT BOARD SANCTIONED EVENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES.**

**CARRIED**

7. Revised Policy 9.01: Catholic Code of Conduct

Counsel Beck reviewed amendments made as requested by the Board of Trustees.

1. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: How fast can we get the signage and voice mail changed at all DPCDSB schools and facilities?

Associate Director Del Bianco: We will begin the procurement process for the signs, immediately the sample can be printed and used until the tendered version is available.

General Manager Campbell: Through ICT we will centrally record the voice message that is being approved and merge that recording into the existing school phone message.

Director Mazzorato: At the director's webcast tomorrow, this information will be shared with administrators.

**Motion 674 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, REVISED POLICY 9.01: CATHOLIC CODE OF CONDUCT, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 675 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ENACT REVISED POLICY 9.01: CATHOLIC CODE OF CONDUCT, AS AMENDED.**

**CARRIED**

8. New Policy 9.05: Victim's Rights

**Motion 676 (22-02-22)**

**Moved by** Frank Di Cosola

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, NEW POLICY 9.05: VICTIM'S RIGHTS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 677 (22-02-22)**  
**Moved by** Luz del Rosario  
**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ENACT NEW POLICY 9.05: VICTIM'S RIGHTS.**  
**CARRIED**

9. New Policy 9.06: Fresh Start

**Motion 678 (22-02-22)**  
**Moved by** Stefano Pascucci  
**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, NEW POLICY 9.06: FRESH START, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 679 (22-02-22)**  
**Moved by** Anna da Silva  
**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ENACT NEW POLICY 9.06: FRESH START.**

**CARRIED**

10. 2022 Municipal Election - Designation of Low Population Areas

Manager Cox summarized the report.

**Motion 680 (22-02-22)**  
**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca  
**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ENTITLED 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION – DESIGNATION OF LOW POPULATION AREAS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 681 (22-02-22)**  
**Moved by** Thomas Thomas  
**Seconded by** Anna da Silva

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DECLARE THAT THE DESIGNATION OF AN AREA OF LOW POPULATION WILL NOT BE REQUIRED FOR DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE 2022 MUNICIPAL ELECTION.**

**CARRIED**

I. **Notices of Motion - Nil**

J. **Additional Business - Nil**

K. **Questions Asked of, and by, Trustees**

1. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Is there any discussion with the Ministry regarding having proms for secondary or elementary schools?

Director Mazzorato: We have not had any guidelines as yet from the Ministry, we will commit to trying to get an initial communication out to parent/guardians by the end of next week. Our intent is to work toward in-person graduations and proms. In conversations with the public health authorities, they have advised that they have no intention of adding to guidelines from the Ministry.

2. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Is there a way to raise awareness of learning disabilities?

Director Mazzorato: In terms of overall curriculum connections relating to developing empathy and relationships, our family life and religious components incorporate awareness. We have been working with our educators to ensure that they take opportunities to build awareness of the uniqueness of individuals and build understanding. Part of our ongoing work is in our observance days that help build inclusion and equality.

Associate Director Amaral: Your question is rooted in matters of equality and inclusion and how we as Christian Catholic treat everyone that we meet in the image and likeness of God and how we incorporate that into our everyday practice. We have to be sensitive to not single anyone out because of their learning disability. Our young people are champions and are encouraged to be inclusive.

3. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Our field at St. Martin CSS is in poor condition, where is that in the list of our priorities?

Associate Director Del Bianco: As referenced, step one is to take an inventory of all secondary fields and determine what we can fix and what the requests are i.e., lights, turf, domes etc., and determine what is possible within the physical limitations. The second step is to develop a strategy through our Long-Term Facilities Master Plan (LTFMP). We must look at possible partnerships, third party providers and consider the upfront costs as well as the maintenance costs. A report will be coming back to the board of trustees hopefully by the spring.

4. Trustee Luz del Rosario: Regarding graduations, can we advise Catholic School Councils (CSC) and schools to go ahead and plan?

Director Mazzorato: As referenced our goal is to have communication out by the end of next week on proms and graduations. Some secondary schools have already secured venues and we await information on capacity restrictions. The transition committee is working through these issues.

5. Trustee Luz del Rosario: Our coterminous school board is having a virtual school for September and has already communicated this to families; will we be offering this?

Director Mazzorato: The direction from the Ministry is that we must have a remote option for 2022-2023. In elementary we will continue to offer a remote-only option, with a full year commitment from families. In secondary, we are working through what is in the best interest of staff and students. A remote-only mode at secondary may limit course options. Keep in mind that the Ministry has just made this announcement.

Trustee Luz del Rosario: A common comment that I have received from parents/guardians and teachers regarding secondary hybrid is that it is difficult to juggle.

Director Mazzorato: Thank you for the input.

6. Trustee Luz del Rosario: St. Martin CSS is using the Huron Park Hockey rink and today received a memo that the partnership with the City of Mississauga is in question. This will put a strain on sports. Can we prioritize this concern?

Associate Director Del Bianco: Thank you for the information and for forwarding the memo. We will reach out to the school to consider next steps.

7. Trustee Mario Pascucci: What measures are being taken to ensure our Catholic faith is present in eLearning?

Director Mazzorato: TVO Ontario has developed courses and the Catholic Community partners are reviewing and providing input. The courses our students will take will be taught by Catholic teachers with a Catholic lens. OCSTA is very involved in this initiative. In the past the Institute for Catholic Education has developed Catholic perspective curriculum established by the Ministry. It is up to the Catholic Community to develop and implement the Catholic content in time for eLearning in September.

8. Trustee Thomas Thomas: At recent CSC meetings, the main questions are around resumption of fundraising and plans for graduations. We have discussed graduations; I would like to ask the status of fundraising?

Director Mazzorato: The transition committee is discussing these issues and we are waiting for guidelines from the Ministry. Our schools have been allowed to do fundraising, the restrictions have been around food and having volunteers in the school. We will send out a reminder to schools regarding fundraising and will provide information on the use of volunteers as soon as we have directions.

9. Trustee Thomas Thomas: Will we be granting permits to Churches this year?

Superintendent Thomas: We have paused reinstatement of permits during the Omicron wave; however, we may potentially reinstate permits this spring.

10. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: In the assessment work for the report of secondary school fields, can staff include Ascension of Our Lord CSS. This school does not have a sports field. What can we do about this situation?

Superintendent Thomas: We will include this school in the assessment and provide information.

11. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: As soon as the guidelines become available regarding graduations could staff ensure that the Board of Trustees and Superintendent Brunton who oversees the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) receive this information? Has information been shared with school communities to advise that we are waiting for directions from the Ministry?

Director Mazzorato: We have not communicated to families as yet. We will provide information as soon as it is available, which should be by the end of next week

12. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Regarding online schooling for 2022-2023, were school boards consulted? I am concerned about the lack of student engagement and would like to ensure that is being considered.

Director Mazzorato: We would not be privy to what discussions occurred. The Council of Ontario Directors of Education (CODE) heard about it when the GSN was released last week.

13. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Are there any restrictions on what can be placed in our kindergarten classrooms, for example carpets?

Associate Director Amaral: We are waiting for Ministry guidelines regarding when and how we can begin incorporating group learning for our young learners, for example circle time on a carpet rather than at desks.

14. Trustee Brea Corbet: Do we know if there has been any indication by the Ministry or by our local public health units, if the masking mandate in schools will be lifted as part of the province's plan?

Director Mazzorato: This is another area of concern that we await Ministry guidelines on. The public health authorities will not recommend additional restrictions above the Ministry; however, they strongly encourage the use of masks. There is a Mississauga by-Law in place until March 31 making mask wearing mandatory. We have shared with the public health authorities the apprehension of removing masks too quickly and will also ensure the Ministry is aware of the concern.

15. Trustee Frank Di Cosola: As referenced before, the bussing in Shelburne has been inconsistent and some students did not have bussing for four weeks. There is a municipal bus service that can be purchased, have we considered this?

Superintendent Thomas: I have followed up with Dufferin-Wellington consortium to see if they could partner with local municipal transit or taxi services and the options are limited in Shelburne. We are open to discussions, but it appears that the scope of pursuing is not possible or feasible due to the significant distance from Shelburne to Caledon East. We understand that it has been difficult for families without bus service and are trying to ensure service as soon as possible.

16. Trustee Frank Di Cosola: Please clarify what occurs at before and after school programs when there are bus cancellations.

Superintendent Thomas: If buses are canceled students switch to remote learning for the day. The before and after school programs are canceled as school is remote only for school age students on bus cancellation days. Schools are open to childcare centres for newborn to four year old children.

Director Mazzorato: To clarify, it is the school board's decision to call bus cancellations and in turn it affects the before and after school programs, which close for the day as school age students are not present. The decision is made at 6:00 a.m., the programs would need more notice to plan staffing and programming. We can reach out to the providers and find out if they would like to offer the program on a bus cancellation day with short notice.

17. Trustee Frank Di Cosola: When do we anticipate returning to normal snow days where the school will remain open for in-person learning?

Director Mazzorato: Pre-COVID we would experience staff absences and combine classes for supervision, presently parents have identified that they have concern regarding mixing cohorts.

We await information from the Ministry about lifting cohorting restrictions and hope to have guidelines in the coming weeks.

18. Trustee Anna da Silva: At the elementary level how will we manage small numbers of online learning in the virtual environment?

Director Mazzorato: Online classes are organized according to Ministry class sizes. Classes are supervised by a principal; however, students could be from different schools within the family of schools. The requirement from the Ministry is to offer a remote only option. In elementary we will stay with the structure we have in place and ask parents for a full year commitment. In secondary we are looking at something similar, however we need to consider what courses we can offer students and staffing requirements.

19. Trustee Anna da Silva: Have we considered partnering with another Catholic school board to be able to offer a larger variety of courses?

Director Mazzorato: It would be premature to go down that road as we have just received this announcement. We are determined to keep our Catholic students in DPCDSB. We have already begun the work of determining the best model for secondary students.

20. Trustee Anna da Silva: In the elementary online learning model is it clear who parents/guardians contact if they have a concern?

Director Mazzorato: The present process of using the established infrastructure is working well at elementary. For example, if a student is online under St. Anne CES the parents/guardians contact the St. Anne school office. The administrators and secretaries for St. Anne would assist. This is very different from what we had at the beginning of the pandemic when we had virtual schools with separate administrators and secretarial staff.

21. Trustee Anna da Silva: If masks are being removed as a requirement, would staff and students be welcome to continue to wear masks?

Director Mazzorato: Yes, all staff and students would be permitted to wear masks according to their own comfort level.

22. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Can staff provide a list of all secondary schools who submitted candidates for the Student Trustee Election, and a reason from schools who did not submit a candidate?

Director Mazzorato: We can provide that information.

23. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Presently only double vaccinated people are able to enter our schools, what will happen at graduations if parents/guardians are not vaccinated?

Director Mazzorato: We do not want parents/guardians to be prevented from attending a graduation and are looking into this issue. Please note that we do have staff that are not vaccinated, and they have to adhere to testing three times per week. We are waiting for clear guidelines on restrictions that may be lifted regarding vaccination for staff, volunteers and parent/guardians. Restrictions that are lifted in the community may be different than in the schools.



Trustee Bruno Iannicca: This is the challenge for our parents/guardians to understand and accept.

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the chair to Trustee Luz del Rosario.*

24. Trustee Sharon Hobin: Tomorrow is *Pink Shirt Day* – Anti-Bullying Day. Can staff explain what the expectations are for our staff and students?

Director Mazzorato: Most of our schools have participated in Pink Shirt Day in the past and will again tomorrow. We do send out reminders and resources from the Program and Special Services - Social Work departments. Resources are added to the SharePoint for educators to incorporate into their day to help with bullying prevention and awareness.

25. Trustee Sharon Hobin: The Ministry announced that they would be providing more HEPA filters, will DPCDSB receive more?

Director Mazzorato: The Ministry will be providing 1,002 more hepa filters to DPCDSB.

Superintendent Thomas: The additional allotment is in part a reflection by the Ministry that school boards that have mechanical units did not necessarily have a unit for every classroom. The filters that were part of the last announcement were received last week. Hopefully we will see the additional units soon.

26. Trustee Sharon Hobin: Can we have a report on number of HEPA filters by school as we did a few months ago?

Superintendent Thomas: Once all the HEPA filters are received and in place we can provide that information.

27. Trustee Sharon Hobin: As referenced earlier, in order for the before and after school programs to offer full day programs when buses are canceled and learning is switched to online for the day, they would need to consider staffing and programming with very short notice. We would appreciate if staff could reach out to the providers to see if they would offer this service.

Director Mazzorato: Staff will reach out to the before and after school providers to see if this is a feasible request.

28. Trustee Sharon Hobin commented that in the talks with Minister Lecce, he indicated that some secondary students excel in virtual learning, but we do know that is not the case for the general population. My hope would be that we provide virtual learning without using the hybrid in secondary if possible.

29. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Are we preparing support for the Ukrainian students at St. Sophia CES? Perhaps we would like to provide a healing mass.

Director Mazzorato: We are very aware that there are staff and students throughout DPCDSB that have ties to Ukraine and that this is a very difficult time for their loved ones. We are offering support throughout the system to all that may be affected by this world event. We will reach out to the St. Sophia principal to see if there are immediate needs at St. Sophia and will remind all administrators to be attentive to students and staff that may be in need of support. The Tragic Response team is available alongside our special services staff.

**L. Declared Interest Items**

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, January 25, 2022.

**Motion** 682 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 25, 2022, BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion** 683 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Luz del Rosario

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**MOTION TO COMPLETE THE AGENDA, BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

**M. In Camera Session**

**Motion** 684 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Shawn Xaviour

**Seconded by** Stefano Pascucci

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN CAMERA MEETING, IN CAMERA PRIVATE MEETING DIRECTOR AND TRUSTEES ONLY AND IN CAMERA PRIVATE MEETING TRUSTEES ONLY, FOR APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES, ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS, APPROVAL OF A MOTION RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, WITH REFERENCE TO THE CRITERIA SET OUT ABOVE.**

**CARRIED**

**N. Report from In Camera**

**Motion** 685 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECEIVE THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA, IN CAMERA PRIVATE DIRECTOR AND TRUSTEES AND IN CAMERA PRIVATE TRUSTEES ONLY, FOR APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES, ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS, APPROVAL OF A MOTION RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE AND RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET OUT THEREIN.**

**CARRIED**

**O. Future Meetings**

March 29, 2022

April 26, 2022

May 31, 2022

June 21, 2022

**P. Adjournment**

**Motion** 686 (22-02-22)

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 11:04 P.M.**

**CARRIED**