



## MINUTES

### Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Conference Call

Trustees:	Sharon Hobin	Chair
	Thomas Thomas	Vice Chair
	Brea Corbet	Trustee
	Anna da Silva	Trustee
	Darryl D'Souza	Trustee
	Luz del Rosario	Trustee
	Frank Di Cosola	Trustee
	Bruno Iannicca	Trustee
	Mario Pascucci	Trustee
	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Shawn Xaviour	Trustee
	Sheanne Jesudhason	Student Trustee
	Eugene Zanone	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
	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, Well-Being, Experiential Learning and Learning Services
	Tammy-Lynne Peel	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Les Storey	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Stephanie Strong	Superintendent, Human Resources and Employee Relations
	Mathew Thomas	Superintendent, Planning and Operations
	Max Vecchiarino	Superintendent, Policy, Strategy and Global Learning
	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

**A. Routine Matters**

1. Call to Order and Attendance  
Chair Sharon Hobin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory  
Chair Sharon Hobin acknowledged the sacred territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.
3. National Anthem
4. Opening Prayer  
Chair Sharon Hobin led the Opening Prayer.
5. Approval of Agenda

Additional documents sent electronically prior to the start of the meeting: revised G3, F3, H3 fourth document, M4 and M5.

**Motion 106 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Stefano Pascucci

**Seconded by** Thomas 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 M1 items 1 and 2, M4 and M5
  1. *Trustee Sharon Hobin —family members belong to OECTA*
  2. *Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA*
  3. *Trustee Frank Di Cosola - family member belongs to CUPE at another board*
  4. *Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA*
  5. *Trustee Bruno Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA and CUPE 2026*

**Motion 107 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Darryl D'Souza

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

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

**CARRIED**

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, March 24, 2020

**Motion 108 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, MARCH 24, 2020, LESS DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS, BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

- a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

**B. Pastor's Remarks - Nil**

**C. Awards and Presentation**

1. Proclamation: Staff Appreciation Day - May 1, 2020

Director Mazzorato read the Proclamation for Staff Appreciation Day May 1, 2020:

**PROCLAMATION: STAFF APPRECIATION DAY – MAY 1, 2020**

**WHEREAS IN HIS FIRST LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS, ST. PAUL SAYS:**

**“FOR JUST AS THE BODY IS ONE AND HAS MANY MEMBERS AND  
ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE BODY,  
THOUGH MANY, ARE ONE BODY, SO IT IS WITH CHRIST.”**

**AND;**

**WHEREAS STAFF ARE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATE BODY KNOWN AS THE  
DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.**

**AND;**

**WHEREAS STAFF ARE VALUED, RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED FOR THEIR DEDICATION,  
COMMITMENT AND CONTRIBUTION TO CATHOLIC EDUCATION,  
FAITH FORMATION AND THE SUCCESS AND WELL-BEING  
OF ALL LEARNERS IN DUFFERIN-PEEL.**

**AND;**

**WHEREAS, MAY 1 IS THE FEAST DAY OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER,  
THE PATRON SAINT OF WORKERS,**

**BE IT RESOLVED  
THAT MAY 1 BE RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED ANNUALLY AS  
STAFF APPRECIATION DAY  
IN DUFFERIN-PEEL SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES.**

**Motion 109 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Thomas Thomas

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE PROCLAMATION: STAFF APPRECIATION DAY - MAY 1, 2020, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

**Motion 110 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Luz del Rosario

**Seconded by** Mario Pascucci

**THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PROCLAIMS THAT MAY 1 BE RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED ANNUALLY AS STAFF APPRECIATION DAY IN DUFFERIN-PEEL SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES.**

**CARRIED**

**D. Delegations – Nil**

**E. Reports from Trustees for Receipt**

1. Regular Reports - Nil
2. Good News Items

**Trustee Brea Corbet**

**Mississauga Wards 9 and 10**

Recognized some of the innovative efforts in which our DP students have demonstrated this year's theme for Catholic Education Week of *Igniting Hope*. Education in action means we are empowering responsible citizens, who are responding critically and with compassion to promote the sacredness of human life. In the spirit of Catholic Education Week which starts next week, our students are a beautiful reminder that we can ignite hope, in everything we do, especially in uncertain and unprecedented times like this. We are so proud of the ways our students are giving back and helping our communities.

To highlight a few achievements:

- Chalk Walk – DPCDSB students, Rhaya and Bailey have shared their artistic talents by creating over 40 sidewalk chalk drawings of Disney characters for Mississauga residents. Their story was featured recently in the Mississauga News.
- Food Bank – DPCDSB student, Ciara has donated funds she helped raise to a local foodbank, *Eden Food for Change*. She asked all her neighbours for a toonie and food donations and her family delivered the goods to the food bank, on behalf of their neighbourhood.
- 3D Printing – DPCDSB student, Giuseppe used a 3D printer to make face shields for our frontline healthcare workers during the Covid-19 pandemic. He has donated more than

100 personal protective equipment shields that he has made to our local hospitals Credit Valley Hospital and Trillium Healthcare. His story was featured recently on CTV News Toronto.

**Trustee Stefano Pascucci**

**Mississauga Ward 4**

**John Cabot Catholic Secondary School**

Beating Heart Project – DPCDSB student, Anoosh, started a wonderful initiative, called the Beating Heart Project! She has asked that everyone cut out (or print) a heart, write a message of gratitude or hope on it and stick it on their front door. It is a creative way to thank our healthcare workers during Covid-19. For more information, please visit: [www.beatingheartproject.com](http://www.beatingheartproject.com). To date more there have been more than 300 posts.

**Trustee Bruno Iannicca**

**Mississauga Ward 7**

**St. Timothy Catholic Elementary School**

Canada Post has requested, and DPCDSB has granted, permission to use the parking lot and Kiss n' Ride area of St. Timothy Catholic Elementary School on April 30 for an Appreciation Drive-By they are conducting to salute to workers of Trillium Hospital and the four nursing homes in the area. Fifty Canada Post vehicles will meet in the parking lot at St. Timothy, line their vehicles up in the Kiss n' Ride area, then begin drive-by down Cliff Road making their way to Trillium Hospital. Peel Regional Police will also be present. The fifty Canada Post vehicles will be on school property for approximately 20 minutes as a gathering/starting point for their staging of the vehicles for the appreciation drive-by. We are proud to be able to support this gesture by Canada Post and we are also incredibly proud and supportive of the efforts of our front-line health care workers.

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

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, February 4, 2020

**Motion 111 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Brea Corbet

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 4, 2020, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

2. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, March 11, 2020

**Motion 112 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 11, 2020, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

- Minutes of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting, March 24, 2020

**Motion 113 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Anna da Silva

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CONTRACT AND NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 24, 2020, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

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

- Letter of Retirement - Don Scardicchio, Principal

Director Mazzorato highlighted Principal Don Scardicchio's 27 year career with DPCDSB. As an educator his focus of his leadership has always been a deep dedication to the success of every student, where he set high expectations and constantly showed students how very proud, he was of all that they achieved. He leaves a legacy of excellence in Catholic Education as he served on multiple board and family committees, in various capacities throughout his tenure.

Trustees thanked Principal Don Scardicchio for her service and commitment to Catholic Education and wished him well on his retirement.

**Motion 114 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Brea Corbet

**Seconded by** Thomas Thomas

**THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM PRINCIPAL DON SCARDICCHIO, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.**

**CARRIED**

- Tour Operator Excursion Cancellations and Refunds - Executive Superintendent Cherepacha

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha reviewed the comprehensive report that provided an update of the progress of excursion cancellations and refunds due to the pandemic.

Discussion ensued and questions of clarity were answered. Director Mazzorato addressed trustees' concerns on insurance requirements in the future. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that staff are working with other boards in the province as this is an unprecedented experience due to the pandemic.

**Motion 115 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Mario Pascucci

**Seconded by** Frank Di Cosola

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, TOUR OPERATOR EXCURSION CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

3. Update on the Deployment of Technology and Internet Access to Support the Continuity of Catholic Learning - Associate Director Del Bianco

Associate Director Del Bianco reviewed the report and shared that it was a remarkable endeavour to deploy devices for more than 7,000 students across the board so that they have technology access to support the Continuity of Catholic Learning.

Discussion ensued and questions of clarification answered.

Director Mazzorato addressed the concerns raised regarding additional funding made available by the Ministry of Education for technology. Post-cessation of dedicated technology funding by the Ministry, DPCDSB purchased EDWIN technology for Grade 7 and 8 students. We have one-to-one technology for 11,000 students in Grades 7 and 8. Combined with the 7,000 just deployed, we now have over 18,000 devices in the hands of our students for distance-learning provided by DPCDSB. While the Board has purchased 700 android devices at a reduced rate, the Board has not received additional Ministry funding. We have reported our deployment to the Ministry as requested.

Associate Director Del Bianco advised that we continue to deploy devices and make internet access available through hotspots. Families are encouraged to contact school administrators if their family needs have changed. There is no end date to fulfilling requests. ICT is reviewing and monitoring our technology inventory.

Superintendent Finegan-Downey confirmed that students with differing learning abilities have been given devices as needed and that the Special Education team is in contact with those families to meet their equipment needs.

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas.*

Trustee Sharon Hobin expressed appreciation for the tremendous work reported in the weekly workflow reports and acknowledged the professional development and curriculum support being provided by the Program and Learning Services Department for our teachers to ensure the continuation of teacher-led distance learning.

*Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the chair.*

**Motion 116 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Bruno Iannicca

**Seconded by** Brea Corbet

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, UPDATE OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF TECHNOLOGY AND INTERNET ACCESS TO SUPPORT THE CONTINUITY OF CATHOLIC LEARNING, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

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

1. Policy 6.50: Schools - Use of Buildings, Grounds, and Facilities - Superintendent Vecchiarino  
Director Mazzorato summarized the updated policy.

**Motion 117 (20-04-28)**  
**Moved by** Anna da Silva  
**Seconded by** Mario Pascucci

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, POLICY 6.50: SCHOOLS – USE OF BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND FACILITIES, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

2. Review of Policy 21.00 - Stewardship and Sustainable Practices - Superintendent Vecchiarino  
Director Mazzorato summarized the changes to the policy.

**Motion 118 (20-04-28)**  
**Moved by** Brea Corbet  
**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE BOARD BY-LAW/POLICIES REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THAT REVIEW OF POLICY 21.00 – STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED, AS AMENDED.**

**CARRIED**

3. Procedural By-Law - Counsel Beck

Counsel Margaret Beck summarized the report and responded to questions of clarification.

In response to Trustees' concern regarding the change of process for delegation to the Board of Trustees, Counsel Beck advised that delegations may now be received on the Friday before a Committee meeting. The opportunity to delegate at a meeting does not mean a decision will be made at that meeting. Staff will review the wording to ensure that the language is clear.

**Motion 119 (20-04-28)**  
**Moved by** Anna da Silva  
**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROCEDURAL BY-LAW, BE RECEIVED.**

**CARRIED**

I. **Notices of Motion** - Nil

J. **Additional Business** - Nil

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

1. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Director Mazzorato recognized the importance of consistency and equity in teacher-led learning. DPCDSB teachers have participated in board and province-wide professional learning opportunities to transition from in class instruction to distance learning. Administration is ready and able to assist and support teachers in this transition. We encourage parents/guardians who have any questions or issues to speak with the school administrators. Head secretaries are monitoring the phones



and the general email box to ensure the lines of communication are open for families. School administrators, family superintendents, and the Program and Learning Services Department are all working with teachers to support this transition and share knowledge of what is working in other teacher-led classes. Teachers will receive a memo outlining expectations and an assessment guideline which clarifies expectations.

2. In response to Trustee Frank Di Cosola's questions, Director Mazzorato advised that students in the Planning for Independence Program (PIP) are included in the Continuity of Catholic Learning. Director Mazzorato referred to the weekly work flow report to briefly summarize the work that superintendents, principals and senior level staff have been engaged in to ensure the continuity of Catholic learning; technology deployment, staff meetings, refunds processed, development and implementation of professional development offered to support the system, the research conducted, gathered and assessed and the weekly webinar attended by more than 425 administrators regarding Ministry updates and system implications.
3. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Director Mazzorato advised that the system is keenly aware of the well-being and mental health of our students. We continue to have mental health workers, social workers, and child and youth workers engage with students and their families. In Secondary, we also have guidance counsellors and student success teachers available to support students. We encourage parents/guardians to contact the school administrators as needs arise to ensure the correct support is in place to address their issues with the appropriate special education services personnel.

Superintendent Murphy advised that our chaplaincy leaders are also in place to support student well-being. They have been instrumental with our students to encourage our Catholic identity through various ways: Microsoft Teams, Google Meets, prayer clubs, support clubs, Twitter, and hold bi-weekly updates to share ideas within the community. The Religion Department, the chaplaincy leaders, coordinators and DPCDSB principals are working very hard to promote Catholic identity – they are responsible to guide and support students, staff and families through a Catholic lens, a lens unique to Catholic education.

4. In response to Student Trustee Eugene Zanone's questions, Director Mazzorato confirmed that student marks may not be lower than marks recorded as of March 13. Secondary marks will be made up of two components: seventy (70) percent for term work and thirty (30) percent for a culminating performance task. She also advised that refunds for proms and graduation activities have been processed and that graduation ceremonies may take place in the fall; they are postponed rather than cancelled at this time.

Superintendent Murphy advised that student marks will be uploaded for university consideration from DPCDSB on May 1 to the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC). If there are individual student drops, they can be made as late as May 6.

5. Trustee Stefano Pascucci wanted to ensure that the cafeteria provider continues with 'have your say' days when schools are open again.
6. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that DPCDSB is preparing to provide summer school on-line if required and is awaiting direction and funding guidelines from the Ministry of Education.

7. Trustee Bruno Iannicca thanked the superintendents for their hard work and dedication.

*Motion to extend the meeting beyond 11:00 p.m.*

**Motion 120 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Luz del Rosario

**Seconded by** Shawn Xaviour

**MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING BEYOND 11:00 P.M., BE APPROVED.**

**CARRIED**

8. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's questions, Director Mazzorato confirmed that unions have discouraged their members from using video platforms for teaching online. DPCDSB is reviewing the potential of Zoom's educator platform, as it has security challenges. Teachers are trying many ways to engage students and are very cognizant of family scheduling issues. Regarding flex boundary requests for kindergarten, Director Mazzorato confirmed that we are working on the same timelines as last year and will provide updates in Issues and Events.

**L. Declared Interest Items - Nil**

**M. In Camera Session**

**Motion 121 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Mario Pascucci

**Seconded by** Anna da Silva

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN-CAMERA AND AN IN CAMERA PRIVATE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN RESPECT OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND A PERSONNEL ISSUE, WITH REFERENCE TO THE CRITERIA SET OUT ABOVE.**

**CARRIED**

**N. Rise and Report**

**Motion 122 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Sharon Hobin

**Seconded by** Luz del Rosario

**THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECEIVE THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA AND AN IN CAMERA PRIVATE MEETING, APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND A PERSONNEL ISSUE, AND RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET OUT THEREIN.**

**CARRIED**

**O. Future Meetings**

May 26, 2020

June 16, 2020

**P. Adjournment**

**Motion 123 (20-04-28)**

**Moved by** Sharon Hobin

**Seconded by** Darryl D'Souza

**THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 11:59 P.M.**

**CARRIED**