



MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 25, 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
	Heather Fernandes	Student Trustee
	Alejandro Garcia Polo	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
	Wendy Dobson	General Manager, Student Transportation of Peel Region
	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.
 - a. Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance for Student Trustees

Director Mazzorato introduced two newly elected student trustees, Heather Fernandes, from St. Francis Xavier Catholic Secondary School and Alejandro Garcia Polo, from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School.

Both student trustees recited the Declaration of Office, Affirmation of Allegiance and the Oath for Catholic Trustees in Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.

5. Approval of Agenda
Addition to the Agenda:
 - G 2 Appendix D Mental Health Document
 - H 1 PowerPoint for Operating Budget
 - M 11 In Camera Item
Removed from Agenda:
 - G 4 was removed

Motion 190 (20-08-25)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

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 A 7 item L 1 and H 1 and M 1 a and M 1 c:

1. Trustee Sharon Hobin —family members belong to OECTA

2. Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

3. Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

4. Trustee Bruno Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA and CUPE 2026

Motion 191 (20-08-25)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Luz del Rosario

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

CARRIED

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, June 16, 2020

Motion 192 (20-08-25)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JUNE 16, 2020, EXCLUDING DECLARED ITEMS, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

a. Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

8. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, July 7, 2020

Motion 193 (20-08-25)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, JULY 7, 2020, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

9. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, July 16, 2020

Motion 194 (20-08-25)

Moved by Luz del Rosario

Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, JULY 16, 2020, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

10. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, August 4, 2020

Motion 195 (20-08-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 4, 2020, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

B. Pastor's Remarks - Nil

C. Awards and Presentation

1. Proclamation: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

Proclamation read by Director Mazzorato

In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, General Manager Campbell advised that given the timeline for this event and the fact that there were no opportunities to engage in in-school activities regarding International Literacy Day based on this timeline, we will promote the event and the importance of the educators in literacy through DPCDSB social media channels leading up to and on the actual day.

Motion 196 (20-08-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE PROCLAMATION: UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 197 (20-08-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD PROCLAIM THAT SEPTEMBER 8 BE RECOGNIZED AND CELEBRATED ANNUALLY AS UNITED NATIONS

EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY IN DUFFERIN-PEEL SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES.

CARRIED

D. Delegations – Nil

E. Updates/Information/Reports from Trustees for Receipt

1. Regular Reports

a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Report

Trustee Luz del Rosario provided a brief verbal report. A letter will be sent to Minister Lecce expressing OCSTA's deep concern with respect to the use of board operating reserves. OCSTA will also raise its concerns with senior officials within the Ministry of Education about its impact on Catholic member boards. Member boards are asked to send their specific concerns to OCSTA.

Orientation for new board of directors of OCSTA was held virtually on August 13, 2020. We went over our role as Director of OCSTA, legal standing of OCSTA as a Not-for-Profit Corporation. We also learned that Directors owe a fiduciary duty to the corporation and ensures the best interest of the corporation over the interest of the originating Board. Another important information we learned was Catholic Board meetings and information except for personal information are publicly accessible while OCSTA board meetings are all confidential information unless publicly released.

Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas

Trustee Sharon Hobin shared that both Trustee Luz del Rosario and herself have a clear understanding of their roles, in terms of Directors of OCSTA. Both trustees are sitting on committees for OCSTA and will endeavor to represent DPCDSB to the best of their abilities and have already begun to meet with their respective committees.

In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's request, Director Mazzorato confirmed that all information shared will be captured in future Minutes of the Regular Board Meetings.

Motion 198 (20-08-25)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

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

CARRIED

2. Student Voice

Student Trustee Heather Fernandes shared:

I am entering my senior year and am very involved in school community and enjoy contributing to my school. I participate in many extracurricular clubs and sports. This

position will allow me to make a real difference and advocate for something that is especially important to me. I know that Alejandro and I are going to try our best this term and we are so excited and ready for the opportunity to help represent students. Thank you.

Student Trustee Alejandro Garcia Polo shared:

I am thankful to have this opportunity to be a student trustee and to bring issues and concerns forward from students. Working alongside the board of trustees to bring these issues forward to solution. I hope I can live up to the expectations before me and will do my best to have a successful year. I am happy to work alongside Heather. Thank you.

Chair Hobin thanked Student Trustees Heather Fernandes and Alejandro Garcia Polo and welcomed them to their new roles.

3. Good News Items

Trustee Luz del Rosario acknowledged the generous donation made by Toronto Raptor's Coach Nick Nurse to St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Secondary School Music department. He was recently spotted at a media conference wearing a Gonzaga hoodie.

Trustee Anna da Silva thanked staff and fellow trustees for their hard work over the summer in order to prepare for reopening in September.

Chair Sharon Hobin addressed parents/guardians and explained that *Good News* is an opportunity to highlight what is happening in our schools, which will begin when students return in September.

F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt - Nil

G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration for Receipt

1. Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Status Report - Associate Director Del Bianco, Superintendent Thomas and General Manager Moriah

Associate Director Del Bianco, Superintendent Thomas and General Manager Moriah summarized the report and responded to questions of clarification.

1. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco confirmed the approximate cost to air condition all DPCDSB facilities is \$45 million. The announced funding is not for new air conditioning systems, rather for improving current systems and the air flow throughout the schools. There is an initial project database of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) of DPCDSB schools and facilities, staff continue to update as work is completed.
2. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Del Bianco confirmed that DPCDSB will receive funding of \$1.7 million, of the \$50 million announced by the Ministry. Presently, as part of the renewal and maintenance work, staff are working to ensure windows are operational. Noting that for safety and security, some windows are meant to open only partially for ventilation. In the placement of classes, administrators are trying to accommodate classes in the classrooms that provide the best air flow (i.e., through air conditioning, operational windows, screens or having classes on first floors). As suggested by Trustee Brea Corbet teachers are encouraged to take advantage of

outdoor learning spaces. Associate Director Del Bianco advised that a school renewal report will be provided following class placements.

3. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Superintendent Thomas advised that the new funding provided is for specific school renewal work: upgrading filters, increased frequency of replacement of filters for maximum air flow, recommissioning of current HVAC to optimize air circulation, ensuring current systems are hitting performance targets and purchasing portable air filtration systems with high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters.
4. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that the Ministry has not provided additional funds to boards to upgrade air conditioning units at this time.
5. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, General Manager Moriah reiterated that work has begun to ensure windows are operational.
6. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, General Manager Moriah advised that some HEPA filters have been upgraded with minimum efficiency reporting value (MERV) 13 filters, which are higher level filters.
7. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, General Manager Moriah advised that the deep cleaning and maintenance being undertaken this year is very aggressive. Regular maintenance has been heightened, we are ensuring our HVAC systems are working to maximum capacity and ensuring building systems are turned on ahead of occupancy to improve air ventilation.
8. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, General Manager Moriah advised that where window screens are missing, they will be installed, and any necessary repairs will be undertaken.
9. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Superintendent Thomas advised that the Facilities department has a schedule regarding schools that received core instructional cooling centres. In 2018 four schools were completed and in 2019 eleven (11) schools received cooling centres. Unfortunately, with the pandemic in 2020, we've had to switch our focus.
10. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, General Manager Moriah advised that DPCDSB is sourcing air ventilation units. The current recommendation is that air must blow up or downwards and not directly outwards.
11. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Superintendent Thomas advised that some of the new funding will be used on our older schools with old HVAC systems. The challenge is that the funding has just been received, and we must assess our needs to take full advantage of the funding to yield positive results for staff and students in a short amount of time.
12. In response to Trustee Frank Di Cosola's comment, Superintendent Thomas concurred that the new funding for a board our size is relatively minimal, however we will use the allocated funds to maximize the benefits across the board.

13. In response to Trustee Frank Di Cosola's query, General Manager Moriah advised that any portable air conditioners or fans that blow outwards are not to be used as they blow and spread droplets. Some air filtration systems are combined with air conditioning and heating. DPCDSB is sourcing for these combined portable units. Trustee Frank Di Cosola's concern is for staff and students who will be wearing masks in rooms with blowing hot air, which will be uncomfortable.
14. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, General Manager Moriah advised that recommissioning is overhauling a system to meet standards. Associate Director Del Bianco advised that all 72 provincial school boards received this funding information today and that realistically we cannot source, purchase and install new air ventilation systems before September 8 in all DPCDSB schools in need. We are working around the clock to maximize our air ventilation and place classes into the best classrooms available.
15. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Superintendent Thomas advised that the work of replacing filters and purchasing more filters for our existing and new portable ventilation units is in progress. Trustee Anna da Silva thanked the staff for their proactive work to ensure maximum air flow for staff and students.
16. Associate Director Del Bianco clarified that not using existing portable air conditioners and fans that blow air outwards is a recommendation by our local public health authorities and is not tied to funding. The recommendation is due to the spread of germs/droplets. If a unit blows air upwards or downwards it is acceptable by local public health authorities. We may use the new Ministry funding for suggested units and are in the process of sourcing such units.
17. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that in the weekly meetings with local public health authorities they are dealing with the warm weather issues. As the temperature changes, we will consider the effects to the air flow. In the warmer months we will encourage staff to make use of outside learning opportunities. The windows, screens and frequently changed filters will improve air circulation.
18. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that the new funding will help offset the heavy investing already incurred to prepare our schools for September start-up and the renewal program underway.
19. Trustee Bruno Iannicca requested the air conditioning report from past years.
20. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that the PD days prior to school opening will be an opportunity to review with staff Health and Safety protocols and encourage outside learning where possible.
21. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Superintendent Thomas advised that it is up to each school board to manage the funds allocated to improve and maintain HVAC systems.

22. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that shuttered schools and shuttered classrooms may be used as virtual classrooms. All classrooms may be used for both modalities.
23. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that parents/guardians will not be permitted to purchase or provide air conditioning units or fans for classrooms. Industrial grade units will be purchased by DPCDSB where possible. Retail units are not designed for schools. We rely on tendered companies for fair pricing, warranty and maintenance issues. Trustee Mario Pascucci has requested that we communicate through Catholic School Councils this information.
24. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that DPCDSB conforms to American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineer (ASHRAE) standards for air quality and that we have meet or exceeded the standards.
25. Trustee Mario Pascucci has requested we provide how much funding our coterminous board received in the new announcement.

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

26. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that the air conditioning units and fans that are currently in school and blow air outward (not upwards or downwards) will not be removed, just not turned on, they may be turned on eventually. This is based on today's information; air circulation information is evolving.

Superintendent Thomas noted that some units have been removed where windows were replaced with new operating windows or where they were assessed and needed to come out due to state of repair: broken or with mold.

27. Trustee Sharon Hobin has requested that we communicate this information to parents/guardians before the start of school. Over the years a lot of money has been raised to provide these units. The communication needs to state that this is based on recommendation from the local public health authorities.

Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the Chair.

Motion 199 (20-08-25)

Moved by Luz del Rosario

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING STATUS REPORT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 200 (20-08-25)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

THAT THE DPCDSB BOARD OF TRUSTEES SEND A LETTER TO PREMIER FORD AND THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION WITH COPIES TO LOCAL MPPS THAT DETAILS THE CONCERNS IN THE SAFE REOPENING OF OUR SCHOOLS, INCLUDING THE NEED FOR PROVINCIAL FUNDING TO UPDATING HVAC \$60 MILLION SCHOOL RENEWAL NEEDS OF \$250 MILLION.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. 2020-2021 School Reopening Plans - Update - Associate Director Amaral

Associate Director Amaral, Superintendents Vecchiarino, Papaloni, Finegan-Downy, Gos and General Manager Kyte summarized the report and responded to questions of clarification.

1. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that reorganization will occur based on the parent survey outcomes and to adhere to the Ministry staffing ratios.

Director Mazzorato advised that custodial staff are measuring classrooms to accommodate one metre physical distancing which will determine number of students in each classroom. Online classes may contain higher number of students, which might assist with number of students in physical classroom with physical distancing requirements.

2. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that basketball nets will be reinstalled prior to school opening for students to use during lunch and recesses.
3. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, General Manager Campbell advised that the Communication and Community Relations department is preparing a resource for parents/guardians regarding the school environment, health and safety procedures and protocols and will include frequently asked questions (FAQs).
4. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that the elementary and secondary reopening document, including schedules, will be revised for clarity and will take back the suggestion of separate colors for different cohorts.
5. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that washroom locks will be checked to ensure they are operational, and that each second stall or urinal will be blocked off to ensure physical distancing.
6. Trustee Darryl D'Souza complimented staff on the very good report provided.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Associate Director Amaral explained the rationale behind elementary using last name alpha groupings (i.e. A to F). With the assistance of ICT, they were able to separate into three groups, approximately a third each day for three staggered days. All siblings, and those living in the same household, will begin together, which will assist with daycare requirements for families. With smaller groups it will be more effective to introduce the health and safety protocols.

7. In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that our Catholic faith and curriculum will be woven into the school day as it always has

been. We await direction from the Archdiocese on the role of the priest in our new physical distancing environment, developing norms and the delivery of sacraments. The unique difference that our board can bring to our students, and not at our coterminous board, is to deliver content and curriculum with our faith. Parish involvement does vary from school to school and parish to parish. Associate Director Amaral advised that staff will prepare a document on sacramental preparation, taking place at the school, or at the parish.

8. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that during staggered entry, all eligible elementary and secondary students will ride the bus.
9. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that teachers will review mask etiquette to students during opening days. Teachers are to do the best they can to support and encourage all students Grades 1 to 12 to wear their masks. When students are outside, they will not have to wear masks while physical distancing. If a student is having difficulty keeping the mask on, we will work with the student and family to determine the issue. We need to determine the root of the behaviour, or concern and open the conversation to mask exemption. If they cannot wear a mask and are not seeking exemption, because there is no legitimate reason not to wear a mask, perhaps they would prefer remote online learning.
10. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that secondary students will be provided a welcome package on their first day of school. During this first day students' devices will be distributed as needed. There will be general activities and work provided. Students will begin using academic resource. Teachers will be contacting students ahead of start day to advise their first period together. The goal is by September 3 or 4, that timetables will be uploaded to MyBlueprint.
15. Trustee Shawn Xaviour thanked staff for creating this comprehensive report.

In response to Trustee Shawn Xaviour's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that not all schools have single desks. Inventory is being assessed and redeployed; where single desks are not possible students will sit side-by-side facing forward with one metre between students as prescribed in physical distancing recommendations. DPCDSB is not installing plexiglass in classrooms.
16. In response to Trustee Shawn Xaviour's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that non-essential visitors (i.e. artists in the school) are not allowed access into the school as part of our access protocols and as mandated by the Ministry of Education's school re-opening guideline. However, parents who wish to drop off a lunch, and others (i.e. maintenance staff) will be permitted if they have done the self-assessment test.
17. In response to Trustee Shawn Xaviour's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that the first opportunity to switch learning modalities will be November 1st. However, special needs students will be considered case-by-case. We will review funding and reporting of possibly having SERC students attending SERC class, and then online for regular cohort.

18. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Amaral reiterated that desk and chair inventory is being taken and redeployed, which will assist classes and schools with set up.
19. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that Bishop Boissonneau is providing a guiding document to school and parishes on the role of the priest, implementation of the sacraments and possible masses. The explanation of how remote mass will be delivered to St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Elementary School, using staff and students will be communicated to Bishop Boissonneau.
20. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that staff are considering having occasional teachers (OTs) work within a family of schools. However, local public health authorities and the Ministry support OTs visiting different schools. As requested, this information will be shared in the FAQs.
21. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that there will be two virtual schools for reporting and assessment purposes. Teachers will be teaching from a board facility and may teach students from across the board. Virtual schools will have a name.

Trustee Bruno Iannicca thanked the staff for the comprehensive plan, noting that with ever changing recommendations and minor adjustments, it is achievable.

22. In response to Trustee Frank Di Cosola's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that presently November 1 is the current date to transition from one modality to another. Each transition date may trigger reorganization to ensure staffing ratios are adhered to.
23. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that we will be flexible with transition dates on a case-by-case basis where possible. Director Mazzorato commented that it will be easier to accommodate the move from in class to online due to the need to respect physical distancing rules in classroom.
24. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that students with special needs or English language learners (ELL) who have elected remote synchronous and asynchronous learning will be identified and will be supported on a case-by-case basis, which may include special education support from teachers from their home school or virtual school.
25. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that it is possible that one sibling is eligible for busing and another sibling is not due to distance criteria which is determined by grade.
26. In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Associate Director Amaral advised the physical distancing for students of one metre is considered when class placements are created. Enrollment will determine staffing needs.

Trustee Luz del Rosario thanked staff for responding to questions. She is pleased to support the plan and recognized that our coterminous is doing the same.

27. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that secondary students will receive their timetables September 3 or 4 via MyBlueprint and be advised of their cohort.
28. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral recognized that academic support class follows student lunch hour and travel time from in class and that there will be flexibility for possible late arrival to the mandatory online class.
29. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that teachers have three PD days, September 8 and staggered entry to prepare for reopening with sessions on health and safety protocols, setting up learning management systems and classroom arrangements.
30. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that once enrolment is established and reviewed, we will be able to determine if specialty programs (i.e. IB program) will be offered with consideration of staffing ratios.
31. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that Kindergarten students are not mandated to wear masks for a variety of reasons: viability, reason-ability and maturity of students. As further rationale is provided from local public health authorities, we will provide details.
32. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that for students in need (i.e. those living in motels), that DPCDSB will provide supplies required to engage in either learning modality.
33. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that plexiglass is being installed in school and board offices where required to ensure physical distancing. The flow of traffic will be controlled with signage to respect physical distancing.
34. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that the DPCDSB Catholic Code of Conduct speaks to behaviour of staff, students and parents. Trustee Mario Pascucci requested a review of what is being done to prevent challenging behaviour faced by our educators at the September Administration and Finance Committee meeting.
35. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral reiterated that secondary students will know their cohort and timetable September 3 or 4. At this time teachers will invite students into their learning management system. Staff will review access for students, regarding students' expired passwords.
36. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Director Mazzorato clarified that the Ministry does expect parents/guardians to provide masks for students in Grades 1 to 12. The Ministry is providing two masks per student for the full school year so that we may have masks on hand should a child forget, soil or damage their mask. Staff will be provided two medical grade masks per day.
37. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's query, Associate Director Amaral confirmed that as per usual, if a student is sick and away from school, teachers will provide missed work. Teachers will have the opportunity to begin using the learning management

systems that will be introduced during the PD days to post missed work. Teachers will handle and provide missed tests as they have pre-COVID.

38. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that STOPR is working on regular eligible ridership, and once that is determined, we will review courtesy ridership.
39. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Director Mazzorato assured trustees that staggered entry took into consideration the readiness of our staff, regardless of modality, we want to give our parents/guardians the confidence that we are prepared for remote synchronous and conventional in class learning. The orientation time is a chance for staff and students to go over health and safety protocols, share expectations, do wellness checks, and an opportunity for students to feel connected. Attached to the agenda is the Ministry PPM 164 *Requirements for Synchronous Remote Learning* which is in response to the school closure period. These new expectations outline that remote learning will mirror the conventional in class experience. The online platforms will allow for recording of the class.
40. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral reiterated that presently November 1 is the current date for transition from one modality to another. Each transition date may trigger reorganization to ensure staffing ratios are adhered to.

Chair Sharon Hobin noted the time at 11:51 p.m. and requested a motion.

42. Trustee Bruno Iannicca requested that the earlier request by Trustee Mario Pascucci regarding bringing the Catholic Code of Conduct to the September Administration and Finance Committee meeting, be moved to November in consideration of the heavy work for school reopening. Trustee Mario Pascucci agreed that November would be satisfactory. His concern is that front line staff realize there is a policy in place to protect them from challenging behaviour.

In response to both Trustee Mario Pascucci and Trustee Bruno Iannicca, Director Mazzorato advised that subsequent to an earlier request we have addressed this with our staff, and they advised that they do feel supported. We have a wonderful group of parents/guardians even when dealing with challenging issues and events. We appreciate that the report will be moved to November due to volume of reopening work to be done. We will ensure that staff are aware of code of conduct and monitor.

Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas

43. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that students are encouraged to bring backpacks to school and will keep bags by their seats.
44. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that there will be no lockers at this time. All students are encouraged to carry their belongings in their backpacks.
45. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that there will be no use of city parks that are adjacent to schools, as they are city property.

46. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that there will be no lost and found for masks.

47. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that there will be no rosary apostolate school visits this year.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Director Mazzorato confirmed that today DPCDSB received a letter from Sister Marilina Cinelli, of The Rosary Apostolate, that advises that they will refrain from visiting schools until January 2021. There will be live stream video of the rosary each month. This information will be shared with administrators.

48. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that staff will request that the attached letters from both local public authorities (Appendix B and C) regarding mandatory mask wearing be posted to their websites.

49. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that surplus teachers may be reassigned to online learning and will return to their home school when complete.

50. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral recognized that there is limited time before school reopening and that we feel our staff will rise to the occasion and will be prepared to begin with staggered entry.

51. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that the PD day materials have been provided and that staff will be working from their schools and facilities virtually. Teachers in both elementary and secondary will have prep time during the three PD days. Secondary teachers will need to do inventory at this time.

52. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that a review will be done to consider implementation of the Grade 4 gifted testing.

Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the Chair.

Motion 201 (20-08-25)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, 2020-2021 SCHOOL REOPENING PLANS - UPDATE, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 202 (20-08-25)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Anna da Silva

MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING UNTIL MIDNIGHT, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Motion 203 (20-08-25)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

MOTION TO EXTEND THE MEETING TO COMPLETE THE AGENDA, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

3. Communication, Community & Parent Engagement - Superintendent Brunton
Superintendent Brunton summarized the report.

Motion 204 (20-08-25)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Luz del Rosario

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, COMMUNICATION, COMMUNITY & PARENT ENGAGEMENT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

H. Trustee/Committee/Administration Reports Requiring Action

1. Proposed 2020-2021 Operating Budget - Executive Superintendent Cherepacha and Superintendent Hester

moved to Declared Interest Section L 2

2. Proposed 2020-2021 Capital Budget - Executive Superintendent Cherepacha and Superintendent Hester

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha and Superintendent Hester summarized the report.

Motion 205 (20-08-25)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROPOSED 2020-2021 CAPITAL BUDGET, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 206 (20-08-25)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED BALANCED 2020-2021 TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET OF \$54,397,399.

CARRIED

3. Revised Policy 4.01: Catholic School Councils - Superintendent Brunton

Superintendent Brunton summarized the report and responded to questions of clarification.

In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Superintendent Brunton advised that the goal is to have approved Catholic School Council (CSC) Minutes posted on school websites two weeks after approved. Superintendent Brunton will take back the request to have

consistency of practice addressed through Family of School superintendents. Furthermore, improved directions will be provided regarding approving and posting minutes.

In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Superintendent Brunton advised that in virtual meetings, attendees will have to identify themselves as parents/guardians of students in the school.

Director Mazzorato explained that to become a member of CSC the whole school community can vote. To take position such as Chair, only the CSC members can vote for each other. There will be checks and balances in place to ensure only those that are able to vote can and that there are no double votes. This will be in place by time of election. OCSTA has used this voting software. Will provide report with clarity.

Trustee Brea Corbet acknowledged there will be limited opportunity to fund-raise this year. She shared briefly the FlipGive Program. As mentioned, it is a great option for fundraising, especially if parents are not able to enter the schools this year as visitors are restricted and lunch fundraisers won't be offered. Superintendent Brunton indicated that staff would review the option.

Motion 207 (20-08-25)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, REVISED POLICY 4.01: CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 208 (20-08-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ADOPT REVISED POLICY 4.01: CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, AS AMENDED.

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 advised that we are not able to determine if a Special Board meeting is necessary yet to discuss the promised announcement of further funding by the Federal Government. We will advise if necessary.
2. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that trustees and other non-essential visitors to school will have restricted access through the school office. Staff will confirm if trustees' security passes are active.

3. In response to Stefano Pascucci's query, Superintendent Vecchiarino advised that the first Monday in October is *Empowering Women's Day*. At DPCDSB we have included the Story of Mary, indigenous women and marginalized women. The Communications and Community Relations department will assist in communicating this important day through social media and via our school communities.
4. Trustee Luz del Rosario acknowledged and thanked Father Neiman D'Souza of St. Joseph Streetsville Parish for his work on the DPCDSB strategic planning mission statement. He is moving to a parish in Scarborough.

Chair Sharon Hobin commented that Father Neiman D'Souza was a pleasure to work with and brought a great approach from the church perspective. On behalf of the board of trustees she has sent him a note of thanks and wished him well.

5. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Superintendent Thomas shared that approval of the sign for St. Mary Star of the Sea Roman Catholic Church should occur through the City of Mississauga by the end of the week. DPCDSB has kept Father Michael apprised of developments.
6. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Director Mazzorato advised that DPCDSB has no schools involved in the WE Charity.
7. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha acknowledged the frustration that parents/families have experienced with lack of progress in receiving funds from Tour Operators and Insurance companies. DPCDSB continues to reach out to press for answers and resolutions. DPCDSB legal counsel has reached out to general counsel of Travel Guard as well. We are seeking all avenues to get resolution. This is a province-wide issue among boards for school trips that were cancelled due to the pandemic.
8. Trustee Brea Corbet has requested that a discussion of tendered companies and their insurance providers be at the board level in public session when these tenders are renewed. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha will take back request to communicate to these families regarding how staff have, and continue to work, to resolve this issue at the board level.
9. In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query regarding a class action suit, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that staff will speak to Counsel regarding this, but with all the work that has been ongoing, we are hoping that this will be resolved within the coming weeks. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that the difficulties our families have had to endure will be taken into consideration when reviewing our contracts as we move forward.

L. Declared Interest Items

Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas

Trustees with a declared interest were moved into the waiting room.

1. Approval of the Regular Board Minutes, June 16, 2020

Motion 209 (20-8-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, JUNE 16, 2020, SECTION L 1, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

2. Proposed 2020-2021 Operating Budget - Executive Superintendent Cherepacha and Superintendent Hester

Moved from H 1

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha and Superintendent Hester summarized the report and responded to questions of clarification.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that student activity fees are voluntary and encouraged but not required. Student agendas are a tool for communicating, outlining student policies and procedures, Catholic school virtues and Catholic Graduate Expectations. The cost for secondary students would normally be included in the activity fee. Staff will review the messaging to ensure it is clear for students and parents/guardians.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that the Ministry is providing funding for two masks for every student in Grades 4 to 12. DPCDSB will be ordering the additional masks for Grades 1 to 3 to have on hand should a student forget, soil or damage their mask. Ministry of Government and Consumer Services (MGCS) will provide a monthly supply requested by the board, in one month increments, of staff PPE. We will monitor both student and staff supplies.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that the additional funding of \$1 million for sick leave will offset the lack of revenue that was expected to come from permits, as originally included in the two-year deficit management plan.

In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query, Director Mazzorato advised that for several years DPCDSB has tried to increase our international student enrollment. Director Mazzorato welcomes input that Trustee Darryl D'Souza would like to share regarding recruitment of international students.

In response to the questions asked by Trustee Luz del Rosario, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha confirmed that the GSN included all required funding to support the central collective agreement changes related to salary and benefit increases, the investments in student supports, the Education Worker Protection Fund (EWPF). The DPCDSB share of the provincial funding announcement for personal protective equipment (PPE) is \$150 thousand. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha further clarified that the proposed operating budget includes the use of accumulated surplus of one percent of operating revenues equal to \$8.9 million and that the Ministry has released additional guidance that school boards can utilize accumulated surplus of an additional one percent to address reopening needs.

Trustees with declared interest were moved back into the meeting.

Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the Chair.

Motion 210 (20-08-25)
Moved by Frank Di Cosola
Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROPOSED 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 211 (20-08-25)
Moved by Luz del Rosario
Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED COMPLIANT 2020-2021 TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET OF \$985,413,747 WHICH INCLUDES \$8,881,501 TO BE FUNDED FROM ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR COMPLIANCE PURPOSES, \$7,597,938 FOR OPERATING AND \$1,283,563 RELATED TO PSAB REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

CARRIED

Motion 212 (20-08-25)
Moved by Darryl D'Souza
Seconded by Luz del Rosario

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL USE OF ACCUMULATED SURPLUS UP TO TWO PERCENT OF OPERATING GRANTS IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING NEEDS IN PREPARING FOR THE REOPENING OF SCHOOLS.

CARRIED

M. In Camera Session

Motion 213 (20-08-25)
Moved by Darryl D'Souza
Seconded by Thomas Thomas

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 IN CAMERA AND IN CAMERA PRIVATE MINUTES AND PERSONNEL MATTERS.

CARRIED

N. Report from the In Camera Session

Motion 214 (20-08-25)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

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

CARRIED

O. Future Meetings

September 29, 2020

October 27, 2020

November 24, 2020

December 1, 2020 (Organizational Board Meeting)

December 8, 2020

January 26, 2021

February 23, 2021

March 23, 2021

April 27, 2021

May 25, 2021

June 15, 2021

P. Adjournment

Motion 215 (20-08-25)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 3:30 A.M.

CARRIED