

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 30, 2024, 7:00 p.m. Boardroom, Catholic Education Centre

Trustees: Luz del Rosario Chair

Thomas Thomas Vice-Chair **Brea Corbet** Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi Trustee Darryl D'Souza Trustee Bruno Iannicca Trustee Mario Pascucci Trustee Stefano Pascucci Trustee **Anisha Thomas** Trustee Herman Viloria Trustee Shawn Xaviour Trustee

Bailey Clyne Indigenous Student Trustee

Nathan Nguyen Student Trustee

Regrets: Christopher Joseph 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

Dulcie Belchior Superintendent, Family of Schools

Wayne Brunton Superintendent, Equity and Indigenous Education

Brian Diogo Superintendent, Family of Schools
Silvana Gos Superintendent, Family of Schools
Brian Hester Superintendent, Financial Services
Jodi Kuran Superintendent, Family of Schools

Ivana MacIsaac Chief Information Officer

Carmel Murphy Superintendent, Program and Learning Services

Laura Odo Superintendent, Family of Schools

Lucy Papaloni Superintendent, Special Education and Learning Services

Tammy-Lynne Peel Superintendent, Family of Schools Adrian Scigliano Superintendent, Family of Schools

Stephanie Strong Superintendent, Human Resources and Employee Relations

Mathew Thomas Superintendent, Planning and Operations

Max Vecchiarino Superintendent, Policy, Strategy, Research and Global Learning

Kevin Wendling Assistant Superintendent: Math Lead

Bruce Campbell General Manager, Communications and Community Relations

Theresa Davis General Manager, Human Resources

Christiane Kyte General Manager, Clinical Services and Special Education

Richard Moriah General Manager, Physical Plant Facilities

Carrie Salemi General Manager, Finance

Recorder: Cindy Child Board and Committee Information Officer

A. Routine Matters

Call to Order and Attendance
 Chair Luz del Rosario called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

National Anthem

The national anthem was performed by the St. Roch Catholic Secondary School (CSS) Vocal Major students under the direction of Teacher Jim Marr.

Chair Luz del Rosario asked General Manager Campbell to express our thanks to Teacher Jim Marr and his talented students for their performance.

- Opening Prayer led by Trustee Brea Corbet
- 4. Land Acknowledgment Trustee Thomas Thomas
- 5. Approval of Agenda

Addition of L4a. and L10a. and reordering of In Camera Private Items: L10a. becomes L10b., and L10b. becomes L10c.

Motion 1158 (24-01-30) Moved by Darryl D'Souza Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE ADDITION OF IN CAMERA ITEM L4a. and L10a.

CARRIED

Motion 1159 (24-01-30) Moved by Mario Pascucci Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda item A7 K1:

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

Motion 1160 (24-01-30)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEM BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM K.

CARRIED

7. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2023

Director Mazzorato introduced our new Chief Information Officer (CIO) Ivana MacIsaac. Ivana is a graduate of Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB).

Chair Luz del Rosario welcomed CIO MacIsaac on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Motion 1161 (24-01-30) Moved by Thomas Thomas Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 12, 2023, EXCLUDING ITEM A7 K1, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

- a. Business Arising from the Minutes Attached.
- **B.** Pastor's Remarks: Video Presentation by Monsignor Shiels The Saints

Director Mazzorato recognized the talents of Claudia Ferro, Consultant, Religious Education and Faith Development, Program Department. Claudia is the angelic voice in Monsignor's videos and does uplift us with her talent at the weekly Wednesday masses held here at the Catholic Education Centre (CEC).

Director Mazzorato acknowledged Amrita Chopra, Communications and Community Engagement Officer for providing her talents in all of Monsignor's videos. Along with the recordings, she enhances the video using her photography skills.

Chair Luz del Rosario commented that at the Wednesday masses, Monsignor accompanies Claudia's singing by signing (American Sign Language) the Our Father prayer. All are welcome to attend the Wednesday masses. The Chair asked Director Mazzorato to pass on our gratitude to Monsignor for tonight's presentation on *The Saints*.

C. Awards and Presentations – Nil

D. Delegations

1. Delegate: Raheem White - Anti-Black Racism

Questions asked by Trustees to Delegate:

1. Student Trustee Bailey Clyne: You mention achievement gaps for Black students do you have any statistics?

Delegate Raheem White: From the Minutes of the Black Community Advisory Council June 19, 2023 "the lowest scores for peer inclusion (how they rated what students do at school to support school climate) were experienced by Black students. The lowest ratings for school support (what adults do to support the climate at school) were experienced by Black students. Students who had the least positive ratings of having their own identity reflected at school were students who identified as Black. The highest levels of exclusion among the different groups listed were Indigenous students and among the racial groups were Black students. The lowest well-being experienced by students by racial groups were southeast Asian and east Asian. The highest total absences were from both Black and White students. The lowest percentage of credits earned of those attempted" - failure of a course - "were by students who identified as Black. The lowest marks overall

were students who identified as Black. The highest proportion of students taking university pathway courses were students who belong to a non-Black racialized group. The highest proportion of students taking college track courses were both Black and White students. The highest proportion of students taking workplace track courses were students who identified as Black. The highest number of suspensions were among Black students."

Questions asked by Trustees to Staff:

1. Student Trustee Bailey Clyne: Can staff explain what is being done to address these findings?

Superintendent Vecchiarino: Dufferin-Peel has enshrined efforts in both the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) and the Catholic Board Improvement Learning Cycle (CBILC). These changes speak to the explicit commitment to eliminate all forms of oppression and lead to changes in achievement. The statistics shared were from our census data: Black and Indigenous students have low rates academically, and in terms of inclusion, reporting that they do not feel part of community. We have worked to make changes in terms of respect, positive and proactive measures in our MYSP and through ongoing review. We plan to dismantle anti-Black racism as part of the upcoming professional development of our teachers, review local schools plan, and make improvements to our Human Resources practices to hire more racialized staff, and uplift the cultural pedagogy while working to ensure all people see themselves reflected in staff and the curriculum. We will have focus groups to delve deeper into the issues and will share our findings and how we plan to take action with both the IEC and the BCAC.

Student Trustee Bailey Clyne: Who is responsible for the transfer of administrators?
 Director Mazzorato: Administrative Appointments and Transfers are an operational issue that is managed at the executive level.

E. Reports from Trustees for Receipt

- 1. Regular Reports
 - a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Report
 - Trustee Shawn Xaviour advised that the recent OCSTA 2024 Conference Stewards of the Promise was very informative, and highlighted a few of the speakers:
 - Neil MacCarthy, Director of Public Relations and Communications from the Archdiocese of Toronto - Advocacy and Communication Considerations for Catholic Trustees
 - Tom D'Amico, Director of Education, Ottawa Catholic School Board *Artificial Intelligence K -12 Implications*
 - Atul Kapur, Professional Registered Parliamentarian Examining Practices for Effective School Board Meetings

Sharon McMillan, Director of Communications OCSTA has sent out copies of the presentations and they are available on the OCSTA website.

- We look forward to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) May 2 to 4, 2024. Please contact Michelle Vritsios if you need to register.
- 2. Trustee Mario Pascucci: The OCSTA Large Urban Board Committee will meet at the AGM to discuss relevant issues for large boards and advised that he will bring that information back to the Board of Trustees.
- b. Student Voice Report: Indigenous Student Trustee Bailey Clyne and Student Trustee (North) Nathan Nguyen

Student Trustees introduced themselves, Indigenous Student Trustee Bailey Clyne spoke in Anishinaabemowin.

As students prepared for their final exams, we did not host a student senate meeting during the month of January. However, we are looking forward to our next meeting on February 28. We will be combining with the Equity Student Council and Superintendent Vecchiarino will be presenting the Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP). As we wrap up the first semester of the school year, we would like to thank all staff and administrators for their continued support of student voice and the work being done in schools to ensure that our local communities are a welcome place for all.

On February 21, we will be hosting elections for the 2024-2025 Student Trustees. In light of this, we encourage administrators to connect with any interested students, as February 14 is the deadline for submitting the school's Student Trustee candidate. For any students who are interested in learning more about the roles, responsibilities and time commitment of being a Student Trustee, we will be hosting an Information Session on February 6 from 3:30-4:30 on Microsoft Teams. Information with regard to this session, and the link for the meeting, will be posted to the Student Senate Instagram. The Indigenous Education Council (IEC) is also working to elect an Indigenous Student Trustee for the upcoming school year. Although their process is slightly different, their timelines are the same. The name of the newly elected Indigenous Student Trustee will be shared alongside the name of the North and South Student Trustees at the Regular Board Meeting on March 19.

Two weeks ago, we had the opportunity to attend the OCSTA Conference in Toronto. We heard various presentations addressing issues such as the use of artificial intelligence (AI) in education, and how changing demographics will affect Catholic education and our student population. The highlight of the weekend was the Student Trustees' workshop, where DPCDSB's Coordinator, Indigenous Education Jodie Williams led a discussion on the beauty of Indigenous cultures and other initiatives we can bring back to our respective communities. We would like to thank OCSTA for the generous invite and we look forward to reconvening at the OCSTA Annual General Meeting in May.

From February 8-11, we will also be attending the Ontario Student Trustees' Association OSTA-AECO Education Action Conference in Ottawa. We look forward to further professional development and connecting with fellow Student Trustees from across the province. We will report back on our learnings at the next board meeting.

1. Trustee Bruno lannicca: Is it possible to communicate to secondary administrators, students and families of the upcoming Student Trustee Election in the hopes of gathering more candidates?

Associate Director Amaral: We have communicated to secondary administrators the importance of sharing this information with their school communities. We can suggest a message is relayed over SchoolMessenger to all Grade 10 and 11 families.

Student Trustee Nathan Nguyen: We have also shared the upcoming Student Trustee Election information across social media platforms and have had excellent student response.

c. Good News Reports

Anisha Thomas

Brampton Wards 1, 3 and 4

The *Loran Award* is a four-year leadership enrichment program consisting of summer work experience, mentorship, scholar gatherings, an annual living stipend, and a tuition waiver at one of 25 university partners. The <u>Loran Scholars Foundation</u> is delighted to share that three outstanding students from Brampton have been selected as *2024 Loran Finalists* and are within the top 2% of applicants, out of a pool of more than 5,200 applicants and 90 graduating high school. *Loran Finalists* for the class of 2024 have demonstrated their drive to step up in the face of challenges and positively impact their communities across the country. Two Brampton DPCDSB students have been selected as finalists. I would like to extend congratulations on this wonderful achievement to:

- Arihant Boli, Notre Dame CSS
- Reanna Ellis, Cardinal Leger CSS

Nathan Nguyen

Student Trustee North

I would like to add that a Mississauga DPCDSB student has also been selected as a 2024 Loran Finalist:

Cianne Coutinho, Loyola CSS
 Congratulations and blessings for continued success.

Trustee Bruno Iannicca

Mississauga Ward 7

The Central Committee for Catholic School Council Parent Engagement Evening on January 18 was very successful. We had over 300 people join the anti-Human Trafficking Presentation with Matt Richardson on Technology, Social Media and Online Safety. The information provided was very informative for staff and parents/guardians.

F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt

- Receipt of the Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, October 10, 2023
- 2. Receipt of the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, November 15, 2023
- 3. Receipt of the Minutes of the Mississauga School Traffic Safety Advisory Committee Meeting, October 25, 2023
- 4. Receipt of the Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, December 13, 2023

G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administrations for Receipt

1. Retirement - A. Galvao, Principal

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Principal Alexis Galvao, Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School (CSS).

Alexis came to Dufferin-Peel in 1995 and with over 28 years of experience with Dufferin-Peel has served in the capacity of teacher, department head, academic consultant, vice-principal and principal.

Alexis began her career as a teacher at Philip Pocock CSS, followed by John Cabot CSS and St. Edmund Campion CSS. She was an academic math consultant in 2007. In 2008, Alexis turned her attention to a new calling and became vice-principal at Ascension of Our Lord CSS. In subsequent years, Alexis was also vice-principal at Notre Dame CSS and John Cabot CSS.

In 2017, Alexis moved into the role of principal in the Program Department. The following year, Alexis was appointed principal of St. Augustine CSS. After five years, Alexis began her latest journey as principal of Holy Name of Mary CSS, from where she decided to retire after a wonderful career as a servant leader.

Throughout her career in Dufferin-Peel, Alexis has been a strong advocate for all her students. Her deep love of children, her commitment to student achievement and wellbeing, as well as her commitment to students with diverse learning needs has been her career focus.

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

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

- 1. Trustee Herman Viloria: I accept Alexis' retirement with regret. I have been fortunate to work with Alexis for three years. She is a very dedicated and capable administrator. Blessings as she retires.
- 2. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: I have not had the privilege of working with Alexis, however she was my math teacher. I wish her the very best in a long and healthy retirement.

2. Retirement - T. Podobnik, Principal

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Tom Podobnik. Tom has been a fervent Catholic leader and mentor, who has dedicated an incredible 29 years to the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board (DPCDSB).

Throughout Tom's tenure, his unwavering commitment to education, passion for fostering a nurturing learning environment, and dedication to the well-being of students and staff have left an indelible mark on several school communities. Under his guidance, many schools have not only achieved academic excellence but have become environments for growth, compassion, and inclusivity.

His DPCDSB career began in 1996 as a teacher at Queen of Heaven Catholic Elementary School (CES). He then served as a teacher at St. Mark CES, St. Clare CES, and St. Veronica CES. From 2012 to 2018 Tom worked as a vice-principal at Divine Mercy CES, St. Alfred CES,

Queen of Heaven CES, St. Valentine CES, and St. Pio of Pietrelcina CES. Since 2018 Tom has served the St. Edmund CES community as principal.

Beyond administrative duties, Tom has created an environment where every student and staff member feels valued, heard, and encouraged to reach their full potential. His commitment to fostering a sense of community, rooted in faith and shared values, has created a lasting legacy that will continue to shape the character of many school communities.

Congratulations to Tom on a well-deserved retirement. May this new chapter be as fulfilling and rewarding as his legacy.

- Trustee Mario Pascucci: I accept Tom's retirement with regret. His is a gentleman and has had one goal in mind, to make DPCDSB the best we can be, and he has spread his talents across the board.
- 2. Trustee Luz del Rosario: I also accept his retirement with regret. Best wishes to Tom on his journey.

H. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration Requiring Action

Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Resolutions 2024

Superintendent Vecchiarino summarized the report.

1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: May I suggest an edit to the OCSTA resolution in that AI can support learning and assist teachers, rather than AI is a useful tool?

Superintendent Vecchiarino: We will take back your suggestion.

Motion 1162 (24-01-30) Moved by Mario Pascucci Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FUNDING FOR SUBMISSION TO OCSTA, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

2. Motion Recommended by the Faith and Program Committee, January 16, 2024

Motion 1163 (24-01-30) Moved by Shawn Xaviour Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE 2024.

CARRIED

- I. Additional Business Nil
 - Notices of Motion
- J. Questions Asked by Trustees

- 1. Trustee Bruno lannicca: Cold weather brings mice. I understand that our board does not allow traps to be set on the outside of our buildings, why is that?
 - General Manager Moriah: This is due to liability issues, children and dogs can be affected by the substances used in outside mice traps. Pest control companies use concealed traps indoors. We take additional measures by having our Maintenance Department check exterior door seals and sweeps regularly to prevent mice from coming in.
- 2. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Can staff provide an update regarding municipal licensing required for schools to host a lottery or game of chance?
 - Director Mazzorato: Counsel Beck has sent her regrets for tonight's meeting. We will take back your inquiry.
- 3. Trustee Bruno lannicca: Matt Richardson, Director of Intelligence and Investigations with the Anti-Human Trafficking Intelligence Initiative (ATII) was well received at our recent parent engagement evening. His information on prevention and awareness of trafficking would be very beneficial for all students. Is it possible to have him speak to all secondary students?
 - Associate Director Amaral: Several staff attended the parent engagement event and would like to work with Mr. Richardson on a more student centred approach. We are committed to working with him to modify the content and ensure that the information is appropriate and safe for all students.
- 4. Trustee Brea Corbet: Can the board update the Cannabis Information for parents/guardians and also have a student-friendly version provided? Parents/Guardians have expressed their concern that pot shops are now allowed in the City of Mississauga. Although the regulation requires a distance of 150 metres from a school, some have argued that this is in close proximity. We need an intentional focus on education for students and families with greater efforts aimed at prevention for the health and safety of those in our care. I would suggest resources could include *Peel Public Health*, *Kids Help Phone* and *SickKids Hospital*.
 - A Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) Community Engagement Event on Cannabis would be beneficial.
 - Director Mazzorato: These are excellent suggestions, and we will review and update our resources and ensure that they are also student friendly. We have been working with our Well-Being Department and the Secondary Principals/Vice-Principals Committee to develop presentations for students as well as staff and discussed the possibility of a parent engagement event to elevate this concern.
- 5. Trustee Brea Corbet: It is important for our schools to have consistency regarding Observance Days and to ensure our families have enough notice ahead of time to prepare. For example, on Bell Let's Talk Day, some schools were wearing blue, others had wellness initiatives planned, some did not recognize the importance of mental health. While these are local school decisions, some of our observance days are directly aligned with our Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) that schools would benefit from having central direction regarding expectations.
 - Director Mazzorato: We will take that back; we would be pleased to support central guidelines.
- 6. Trustee Brea Corbet: I understand there have been some updates regarding standardizing Catholic School Council (CSC) Meetings. In an effort to ensure we continue to uplift the voices in

our community, and to support this important work, while maintaining a Catholic community of culture and care, is there a summary that can be shared of what parents/guardians can expect going forward?

Director Mazzorato: Last week a communication was sent to all administrators and trustees were copied, it explains expectations and will be shared with all CSC.

Associate Director Amaral: A memo was sent out via SchoolMessenger as an invitation to the next CSC meeting to families. It outlined some of the expectations: how the agenda is put forward, introduced the new CSC mailbox for each school, addresses how a meeting should be held (virtually and in-person) and the date of the next CSC meeting.

- 7. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff provide an update on the installation of boulevard signs?

 Associate Director Del Bianco: We can provide an update in Issues and Events.
- 8. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff ensure that the priests are invited to many school events?

 Director Mazzorato: We will send out a reminder to administrators.
- 9. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: A question was raised at a recent CSC meeting regarding when and if schools will be getting air conditioning?
 - Director Mazzorato: We can raise the question on our weekly call with the Minister of Education.
- 10. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: When staff review and update the cannabis resources, can we also provide more information on vaping?
 - Associate Director Amaral: We are looking at supporting this issue as well as cannabis.
- 11. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: Is it possible to install vaping detectors in our schools?
 - Associate Director Amaral: We have looked into this and unfortunately the tech challenges are substantial.
- 12. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: If there is a false fire alarm at a school, do we get charged?
 - Associate Director Amaral: Normally, a school does not get charged for the first occurrence. However, to my knowledge we have not had any charges for false fire alarms.
- 13. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Is there an update on the pathway to St. Sophia Byzantine Catholic Elementary School?
 - Superintendent Thomas: We will provide an update in Issues and Events.
- 14. Student Trustee Nathan Nguyen: Can staff provide information on newly hired racialized administrators in our board? It is very important students see representation staff and in curriculum. At the recent conference some school boards shared that they are providing an opportunity similar to the *Indigenous Writers Series* for secondary students, they are offering a *Black Voices Writers Series*.

Director Mazzorato: We hope to bring the racialized administrators data to the next Faith and Program Committee Meeting and to provide a narrative of how we have diversified our hiring. The second part of your question regarding the curriculum is more reflective of the students we serve; we are committed to this and have integrated plans into the MYSP. Our Program Learning

- Services Department looks for opportunities to provide relevant classroom resources and instructing teachers in best practice of these resources.
- 15. Trustee Darryl D'Souza: Is there a standard of what should be displayed on the boulevard signs? Also, if the variable message on an electronic sign gets stuck does someone receive notification?
 - Director Mazzorato: We do not have a standard. Schools use these electronic signs to communicate school events, their trustees, contact information, observance days etc. Currently there are regular features such as registration information and curriculum nights that all schools promote. We will remind administrators of the great communication tool at their disposal and that messages should be changed regularly and at their discretion.
- 16. Trustee Mario Pascucci: What is the cost of a boulevard sign?
 - Associate Director Del Bianco: Approximately \$20,000 per sign.
- 17. Trustee Thomas Thomas: Can staff provide an update on the Ascension of Our Lord CSS Track and Field project?
 - Superintendent Thomas: The City of Mississauga has reached out to us to set up a Project Team for the design, planning and development of the project. We have had an initial meeting. The City of Mississauga is leading the work as most of the field will be on city property. The project charter has not changed, and we expect it to be finalized in the next couple of weeks.
- 18. Trustee Thomas Thomas: Will there be a lease agreement between the City of Mississauga and DPCDSB?
 - Superintendent Thomas: There are two parts to the agreement. The first part is the capital construction, and as Trustee Thomas Thomas has indicated we have contributed \$2 M to this project. The second part of the agreement will be for ongoing operations and maintenance, which will be similar to what we have in other joint use facilities we have with municipalities.
- 19. Trustee Herman Viloria: At the OCSTA Conference, Minister Lecce mentioned two serious issues and alluded that the Ministry would be putting out guidelines regarding: student cell phone use and vaping. What is our current policy regarding secondary students using cell phones?
 - Director Mazzorato: We do have a policy regarding student cell phone use, whereby they should only be used for instructional use; it is not reasonable to not allow cell phones in the classroom. In anticipation of a possible Ministry direction, we will get a sense from our administrators to see if our teachers are finding cell phones in the classroom an increased distraction. We await the Ministry policy.
- 20. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: What is the process used for registration to a Secondary High Schools Major (SHSM)?
 - Director Mazzorato: The expectation is that all programs have equal access. Some programs have a required criterion. We must ensure that everyone that wants access to that program has access. If more candidates apply than can be enrolled, then there must be a random selection process. This ensures transparency and consistency.
- 21. Trustee Bruno lannicca: Can staff provide an update on the portapak removal at Mary Fix CES?

- Superintendent Thomas: Mary Fix CES is on the 2024 project list. We are in the process of prioritizing and scheduling and will share information in the coming weeks. The Ministry has approved our use of the School Renewal Improvement (SRI) funds to complete the work.
- 22. Trustee Bruno lannicca: Recently there have been calls for trustees to assist with suspension and/or expulsion hearings during the morning or early afternoon? Why the change from late afternoon or evening?
 - Director Mazzorato: We will take that back and expand the time frame to increase the number of trustees who might be available to assist.
- 23. Trustee Brea Corbet: Our homework policy dates back to 2009 with an update in 2017. If possible, can we have this policy come forward at an upcoming Board By-Law/Policy Review Committee Meeting?
 - Director Mazzorato: The Board By-Law/Policy Review Committee Agenda for February 2024 is full; we can bring it to the April 2024 Committee Meeting.
- 24. Trustee Brea Corbet: St. Aloysius Gonzaga CSS has not had a working sign for years. It was anticipated to be completed in fall 2023. St. Aloysius Gonzaga is a large secondary school with the extended French program. It is on a high traffic street, Erin Centre Boulevard and is a shared use facility with Erin Meadows Community Centre. The sign is important to help promote board messaging and news for the community. Where other schools have existing signage but are getting upgraded to digital, this school is in urgent need of a new sign.
 - Superintendent Thomas: The anticipated date of completion is late summer or early fall 2024.

K. Declared Interest Items

1. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2023, Item A7 K1.

Trustees with a declared interest left the meeting.

Motion 1164 (24-01-30) Moved by Darryl D'Souza Seconded by Herman Viloria

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 12, 2023, ITEM A7 K1, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Trustees with a declared interest returned to the meeting.

L. In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole

Motion 1165 (24-01-30) Moved by Anisha Thomas Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOVE INTO A CLOSED MEETING AS DISCUSSIONS WILL INVOLVE THE DISCLOSURE OF INTIMATE, PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE, OR AN EMPLOYEE.

CARRIED

M. Report from the In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole

Report: The In Camera Committee of the Whole approved In Camera Board Minutes, received Administrative Appointments and Transfers, Questions Asked of an In Camera Nature by Trustees, and that there are Recommended Motions to the Board of Trustees to consider.

Motion 1166 (24-01-30)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE MOTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH REPORT L10a., IN REGARD TO A PERSONNEL MATTER.

CARRIED

Motion 1167 (24-01-30)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE MOTION CONTAINED WITHIN REPORT L10b., IN REGARD TO A PERSONNEL MATTER.

CARRIED

Motion 1168 (24-01-30)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE MOTION CONTAINED WITHIN THE REPORT L10c., IN REGARD TO A PERSONNEL MATTER.

CARRIED

N. Future Meetings

February 27, 2024

March 19, 2024

April 23, 2024

May 28, 2024

June 18, 2024

O. Adjournment

Motion 1169 (23-12-12)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:59 P.M.

CARRIED



Business Arising from Regular Board Meeting, January 30, 2024

H 1	Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Resolutions 2024			
Q1	Trustee Mario Pascucci: May I suggest an edit to the OCSTA resolution in that AI can support learning and assist teachers, rather than AI is a useful tool?	Submitted to OCSTA with change suggested.		
J	Questions Asked by Trustees			
Q 2	Trustee Bruno lannicca: Can staff provide an update regarding municipal licensing required for schools to host a lottery or game of chance?	Counsel had a meeting with the lawyer who supports Licensing and Enforcement. She is looking into whether there is anything that the city can do to make changes. If there isn't, we will escalate it to the Alcohol and Gaming Commission for discussion City Legal promised to follow up with me this month (February). Counsel will report back through the Director following discussion to propose next steps.		
Q 7	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff provide an update on the installation of boulevard signs?	Appendix 1 was provided in Issues & Events on February 9, 2024.		
Q 8	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Can staff ensure that the priests are invited to many school events?	Supervisory Officers provided a reminder to administrators to ensure that priests are invited to school events.		
Q 9	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: A question was raised at a recent CSC meeting regarding when and if schools will be getting air conditioning.	Ongoing		
Q13	Trustee Mario Pascucci: Is there an update on the pathway to St. Sofia Byzantine Catholic Elementary School?	Appendix 2 was provided in Issues & Events on February 23, 2024.		
Q 22	Trustee Bruno lannicca: Recently there have been calls for trustees to assist with suspension and/or expulsion hearings during the morning or early afternoon? Why the change from late afternoon or evening?	There was an increase in safe schools' hearings in December and January. The afternoon hearings worked because it was when we could secure Discipline Committee and Fresh Start appeal members and also when the families and their counsel (if they had counsel) were available. We defer to the schedules of the trustees. Going forward, we will canvas Trustee availability using a survey system to see when we can convene the Discipline Committee and Fresh Start Appeals Panel. Rather than		

		asking who is available for one specific time on a given day, we will canvas a broader timeframe. For example, instead of asking who is available on February 13 at 1:30 p.m., we would ask who is available February 13, then work out the timing.
Q 23	Trustee Brea Corbet: Our homework policy dates back to 2009 with an update in 2017. If possible, can we have this policy come forward at an upcoming Bylaw and Policy Review Committee Meeting?	This item will be put on the April 2024 Board By-Law Review Committee Meeting agenda.

DPCDSB Standardized Boulevard Sign Project

Please note that while not identified on the list, the new sign at St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Secondary School (CSS) is in progress as we await city approval.

Completed 2018/2019	<u>Ward</u>	<u>Trustee</u>
St. Aidan	2 & 6	Darryl D'Souza / Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Alphonsa	4 & 6	Anisha Thomas / Darryl D'Souza
St. Andre Bessette	8 & 10	Shawn Xaviour
St. Bernadette	6	Luz del Rosario
St. Daniel Comboni	6	Darryl D'Souza
St. Elizabeth Seton	9	Brea Corbet
St. Evan	1, 2 & 3	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Gregory	11	Luz del Rosario
St. Herbert	6	Luz del Rosario
St. Jacinta Marto	4, 5 & 6	Darryl D'Souza / Anisha Thomas
St. Nicholas	4 & 5	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Philip	7	Bruno Iannicca
St. Teresa of Calcutta	3	Mario Pascucci
St. Valentine	5 & 6	Thomas Thomas / Luz del Rosario
St. Vincent de Paul	3	Mario Pascucci
Completed 2020	<u>Ward</u>	<u>Trustee</u>
Corpus Christi	4 & 6	Stefano Pascucci / Luz del Rosario
Fr. Daniel Zanon	7	Bruno lannicca
Fr. Clair Tipping	8 & 10	Shawn Xaviour
Our Lady of Mercy	9	Brea Corbet
St. Anthony	7	Shawn Xaviour
St. Benedict	Dufferin County 1	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Cecilia	1	Anisha Thomas
St. Clare	8	Herman Viloria
St. Cornelius	1, 3, 4 & 6	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Dominic	1	Mario Pascucci
St. Edith Stein	10	Brea Corbet
St. Francis of Assisi	2 & 8	Herman Viloria
St. Hilary	5	Thomas Thomas

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St. Isaac Jogues	2, 9 & 10	Shawn Xaviour / Darryl D'Souza
St. John Paul II	4 & 6	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Julia	11	Luz del Rosario
St. Kevin	3 & 4	Anisha Thomas
St. Maria Goretti	5	Darryl D'Souza
St. Pio of Pietrelcina	4	Stefano Pascucci
St. Rita	2	Darryl D'Souza / Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Sebastian	8 & 10	Sharon Hobin / Brea Corbet
In Progress 2023	<u>Ward</u>	<u>Trustee</u>
All Saints	8	Herman Viloria
Father C.W. Sullivan	1 & 3	Anisha Thomas
Holy Cross	5	Thomas Thomas
Our Lady of Providence	9	Shawn Xaviour
Queen of Heaven	1	Mario Pascucci
St. Angela Merici	6	Darryl D'Souza
St. Bernard of Clairvaux	10	Brea Corbet
St. Christopher	2	Herman Viloria
St. Faustina	10	Brea Corbet
St. Gerard	6	Luz del Rosario
St. Giovani Scalabrini	7	Bruno Iannicca
St. Jean-Marie Vianney	5 & 6	Darryl D'Souza
St. Josephine Bakhita	2	Darryl D'Souza
St. Margaret of Scotland	8	Herman Viloria
St. Matthew	4	Stefano Pascucci
St. Peter	Caledon 1 & 4 Dufferin 1	Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
St. Raphael	5 & 8	Thomas Thomas / Shawn Xaviour
St. Thomas More	1 & 3	Mario Pascucci
Sts. Martha & Mary	3	Mario Pascucci
Sts. Peter and Paul	4	Stefano Pascucci

Update on Redevelopment of Gulleden Park, Mississauga St. Sofia Byzantine Catholic Elementary School (BCES)

The City of Mississauga (City) has informed DPCDSB staff that construction of the redevelopment of Gulleden Park, located behind St. Sofia BCES, will be commencing this spring (weather permitting) and be completed by May 31, 2025. The park will not be accessible during this time.

As part of this redevelopment:

- The City intends to connect the new multi-use trail from Gulleden Park to the existing trail on DPCDSB property. At this time, DPCDSB staff do not have specifics on the timing of installing the connection, but DPCDSB staff will request that it be done to minimize any impacts to the school.
- DPCDSB staff will be providing written notice to request the removal of the existing play structure (for which DPCDSB has a license agreement) at the end of its lifecycle, which will be at the end of the next (2023-2024) school year (i.e., after June 30, 2024). The City would include this work as part of the overall tender for the park reconstruction. It was always DPCDSB's intent to remove this play structure at the end of its lifecycle and this will become an additional play space for students.
- There will be a new license agreement between the City and DPCDSB. Currently, the license agreement permits the City to install, operate and maintain a play structure on DPCDSB property and also grants the City access over the existing walkway for the public to access Gulleden Park. This agreement expires on July 31, 2024.
- required for access over the walkway only.

The community and the students of St. Sofia will be able to take advantage of this community benefit once it is complete. It will be a significant improvement to what is there now. DPCDSB staff will ensure that the St. Sofia community is provided with ongoing updates through the redevelopment process. The City of Mississauga has created a project webpage with more information at: https://www.mississauga.ca/projects-and-strategies/city-projects/redeveloping-gulleden-park/