

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 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 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: Bruno Iannicca 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

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

Sue Steer Acting 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

Margaret Beck Counsel

Mike Damad Chief Information Officer

Bruce Campbell General Manager, Communications and Community Relations

Theresa Davis General Manager, Human Resources

Christiane Kyte General Manager, Clinical Services and Special Education

Richard Moriah General Manager, Physical Plant Facilities

Carrie Salemi General Manager, Finance

Recorder: Cindy Child Board and Committee Information Officer

A. Routine Matters

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

The National Anthem was performed by students from St. Thomas More Catholic Elementary School (CES) under the direction of Teacher Joe Di Franco. Thank you to the students and their teacher for sharing their talents.

- 3. Opening Prayer led by Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi
- 4. Land Acknowledgment Trustee Herman Viloria
- 5. Approval of Agenda

Taupe Sheet: title correction for C2, C3 postponed, distribution of H1 and Policy 9.01 in support of H3 motion #7

Motion 1095 (23-10-24) Moved by Stefano Pascucci Seconded by Brea Corbet

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

CARRIED

Motion 1096 (23-10-24) Moved by Herman Viloria Seconded by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda item L1a. item L8:

- 1. Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA
- 2. Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

Motion 1097 (23-10-24) Moved by Shawn Xaviour Seconded by Anisha Thomas

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

CARRIED

7. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, September 26, 2023

Motion 1098 (23-10-24) Moved by Darryl D'Souza Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, EXCLUDING L1a. ITEM L8, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

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

The Chair asked the Director to convey our sincere gratitude to Monsignor Shiels.

C. Awards and Presentations

1. Father Tony Ricard - Faith Formation

Superintendent Brunton introduced Father Tony Ricard and Devin Boucree from St. Augustine High School, New Orleans. Their engaging message highlighted *We Are Called to Love*. They praised Catholic education where we are encouraged to share our faith and speak about God. All children come to us with their gifts, and we need to accept them for who they are.

2. Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence 2023 Ontario Certificate of Achievement Recipient: Melanie Williams, Teacher, St. Paul Catholic Secondary School (CSS)

Director Mazzorato recognized Melanie Williams. Melanie was recently selected as one of the 2023 recipients of the Prime Minister's Award for Teaching Excellence. Her award profile notes that she does everything in her power to not only improve a student's academic skills but makes them feel like they have a concrete and impactful role in their community. We are so pleased and proud of Melanie.

Melanie rose to a round of applause from the assembly, a certificate was presented, and photos were taken with the Board of Trustees.

D. Delegations

National March for Life 2024 - Maeve Roche, Campaign Life Coalition

Questions asked by Trustees:

1. Student Trustee Nathan Nguyen: Thank you for your presentation and your view point. Is there any consideration for students that may not have your view point and may have experienced violence?

Delegate Maeve Roche: Due to personal suffering or experience, some people have been led to a pro-abortion viewpoint and reject pro-life. Abortion kills an innocent human being, and killing is wrong from a human rights stand, and from a religious view where all life is respected. As a community of faith, we need to be consistent with our Catholic catechism and the sanctity of all human life.

Questions asked of Staff:

1. Trustee Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi: Will DPCDSB participate in the 2024 National March for Life?

Director Mazzorato: We will promote the event and support staff and students who wish to participate.

E. Reports from Trustees for Receipt

- 1. Regular Reports
 - a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) Report

Trustee Shawn Xaviour: OCSTA is hosting the virtual Catholic Education Leadership series beginning November 8. Details are available for OCSTA's Annual Short Video Contest.

Trustee Mario Pascucci: Last Thursday the Large/Urban Board Advisory Council met, and information will be distributed to all trustees.

b. Student Voice Report: Indigenous Student Trustee Bailey Clyne, and Student Trustee Nathan Nguyen (North)

The Student Trustees introduced themselves, Bailey spoke in Anishinaabemowin.

On September 28, we held a Student Senate meeting at Silver Creek Outdoor Education Centre. As this was our first in person meeting, the main emphasis was placed on team building done through group challenges, nature walks, personal and group goal setting, and initial discussions of our hopes for this upcoming academic year. On behalf of the Student Senate, we would like to extend our gratitude to Mr. Resendes and the Silver Creek staff for the amazing hospitality and countless memories made.

On October 17, we had the opportunity to meet with the Student Senate again at Blessed Trinity Catholic Education Centre. During this meeting, we emphasized how the Student Senate can influence change in our school climate. This was done through our four working groups which are: Equity, Diversity & Inclusion, Wellness, Truth & Reconciliation and Communications. Each group was given time to identify issues that students may face within their school communities and discuss ideas which can either be used as local solutions, or potentially as a board-wide initiative. We learned a little bit more about our *Calls to Action* from the *Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada*, and how we can work as a system to ensure we are making strides, being open, and willing to continue the awareness of Indigenous education. We discussed how schools commemorated Truth and Reconciliation week. This was highlighted with activities such as sharing informational videos, empathizing with the children who attended residential schools, and creating banners and displays to spread awareness about the tragedies of our country's past.

Unfortunately, a few secondary schools did not do much for Truth and Reconciliation week and Orange Shirt Day. In some schools there was a lack of awareness that students were allowed to wear orange shirts, or the wearing of orange shirts was canceled. Although most schools participated in Orange Shirt Day, it is abundantly clear that there is work to be done to make sure that truth and reconciliation is constantly worked towards and recognized at all schools. Overall, through this discussion and in our working groups, we recognized that we need to move away from performative actions and move towards intentional work that is part of our school day. We thank the Student Senate for another productive meeting, and we look forward to reconvening on November 16.

Additionally, this past weekend we had the privilege to attend the Ontario Student Trustees' Association (OSTA-AECO) Fall Regional Meeting. Throughout the conference, we were able to connect with fellow student trustees, learn from each other and receive professional development on topics such as public speaking, organizing effective meetings and integrating Indigenous education. We would like to thank OSTA-AECO for the invitation and we are excited to apply what we have learned to our roles as student trustees during the rest of our term.

Indigenous Student Trustee Bailey:

During Truth and Reconciliation Week at the end of October, I had the privilege of going to Ottawa for Orange Shirt Day to attend an event called *We Are All Related*. We heard from residential school survivors, waterkeeper Autumn Peltier, and some amazing singers. During my time in Ottawa, I continued my learning on the impact of colonization and the horrific history of residential schools. The time spent in Ottawa gave me the opportunity to reflect on my experiences and items I wanted to bring back and share with the rest of the Student Senate. I would like to thank the Indigenous Education Council for giving students like me the opportunity to attend this event.

c. Good News Reports

Trustee Brea Corbet

Mississauga Wards 9 and 10

St. Albert of Jerusalem Catholic Elementary School (CES) has taken on a challenge of collecting five million pop tabs this year. This goal is for a family to help a child access a wheelchair. We are grateful this program still exists and for the generosity of our DP families in our school community that can help achieve this goal. My thanks to my trustee colleagues who have also contributed to this cause.

Trustee Luz del Rosario passed the chair to Trustee Thoams Thomas

Trustee Luz del Rosario

Mississauga Wards 6 and 11

Thank you to OCSTA Director Patrick J. Daly, President Nick Milanetti, and Director of Catholic Education Anne O'Brien for facilitating a retreat last weekend. It was very informative, productive and good content was shared on the dignity of the human.

Thank you to the parent/guardian community of DP for their continued participation and involvement. Last week the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC) held the Engagement evening for Catholic School Council (CSC) chairs and co-chairs. It was well attended, active and engaging.

2. Chair's Year End Address - Chair of the Board Luz del Rosario

It has been a long standing tradition at the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board that the Chair addresses the Board of Trustees prior to the annual Organizational meeting and if you will indulge me, I would like to say a few words tonight.

A wise person once said that many attempts to communicate are nullified by saying too much so please be assured that I will be brief.

First of all, I would like to recognize the hard work and commitment of all trustees. It has been an honour, a pleasure, and a privilege to serve and to work with you as your chair over the past year. I think that over our first year together, we have developed into a successful, cohesive team and our continued standing as one of the leading school boards in this province, despite our challenges, is tangible evidence of that success.

As trustees, we continue to fulfill our responsibilities as stewards of Catholic education. We are strong. We are vibrant. And we are relevant. That is why parents and guardians send their children to our schools and why Catholic ratepayers continue to support our system in Peel Region and Dufferin County.

Our parents and guardians want their children to learn in a faith-filled school system that is safe, caring, welcoming and inclusive for all. And our schools are indeed safe, caring, welcoming and inclusive places for all in which to learn and to work.

Last week, I attended the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils' Engagement evening, and I can say with confidence that our Catholic school councils are active and engaged. This has always been a hallmark of Dufferin-Peel.

We are one of the largest and, in many ways, one of the most progressive school boards in the province. What we do and how we do it are always under scrutiny. Let us continue to always strive to do our absolute best.

To you, my colleagues around the table, I appreciate the support, wisdom, encouragement, energy, and friendship that you have shared with me.

To our Director, senior management team, school and system administrators, faculty and staff, our unions and associations, our parish priests, thank you for all you do on behalf of this board, our students, our families, and Catholic education.

To our parents and guardians, thank you for choosing a Dufferin-Peel Catholic education for your children.

Each and every trustee around this table has worked hard on behalf of our communities, for the benefit of our students and our families. This commitment and dedication are in keeping with the trust bestowed upon us as stewards of Catholic education. It is an awesome privilege.

We remain firmly committed in our desire to promote and maintain our outstanding school system and unified in our belief that *Extraordinary lives begin with a great Catholic education* right here in Dufferin-Peel.

Thank you and may God continue to bless us!

The assembly gave the Chair of the Board Luz del Rosario a round of applause.

Chair Luz del Rosario resumed the chair.

Motion 1099 (23-10-24) Moved by Mario Pascucci Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE CHAIR'S YEAR END ADDRESS TO THE BOARD, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

- F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt
 - 1. Receipt of the Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, June 13, 2023
 - a. Business Arising from the Minutes Attached.
 - 2. Receipt of the Minutes of the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, May 16, 2023
- G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administrations for Receipt Nil
- H. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration Requiring Action
 - Education Funding Feedback 2024-25

Executive Superintendent summarized the report.

- 1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: I provided the director with four or five items brought forward by the OCSTA Large/Urban Board Advisory Council; can we review these items?
 - Director Mazzorato: We will bring forward these items at a later date.
- Trustee Brea Corbet: Can the trustees' names be included in the submission to OCSTA?Director Mazzorato: We will ensure they are included.

Motion 1100 (23-10-24) Moved by Brea Corbet Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE 2024-2025 EDUCATION FUNDING FEEDBACK, TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCATION.

CARRIED

2. Revised Policy 7.12: Access to DPCDSB Properties

Superintendent Thomas summarized the report.

Motion 1101 (23-10-24) Moved by Darryl D'Souza Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT *POLICY 7.12: ACCESS TO DPCDSB PROPERTIES* BE APPROVED AND ENACTED AS AMENDED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

CARRIED

3. Motions Recommended by the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, October 17, 2023.

Motion 1102 (23-10-24) Moved by Brea Corbet Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICIES FOR REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT* 2023 – 2024.

CARRIED

 Trustee Brea Corbet: I would like to move a motion to amend the list of policies identified for review during the 2023-2024 year to add *Policy 105: Accidents and Illness* to the list of policies to be reviewed along with the corresponding GAP 101.2 Student Accidents.

Motion 1103 (23-10-24) Moved by Brea Corbet Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICIES FOR REVIEW AND DEVELOPMENT 2023* – *2024* WITH THE ADDITION OF *POLICY 1.05: ACCIDENT AND ILLNESS,* AND THE CORRESPONDING GAP 101.02 STUDENT ACCIDENTS.

CARRIED

Motion 1104 (23-10-24) Moved by Stefano Pascucci Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 4.20: FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS* AND ENACT AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

 Trustee Brea Corbet: I would like to move a motion to amend the implementation of Policy 4.20 Fundraising and Donations to keep article 10.1.3 of GAP 538 status quo at a \$25 minimum donation that must be generated for donations received centrally by cash/cheque as a base for tax receipts. Motion 1105 (23-10-24)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 4.20: FUNDRAISING AND DONATIONS* AND ENACT AS AMENDED, AND TO KEEP THE STATUS QUO OF ARTICLE 10.1.3 OF GAP 538 - MINIMUM DONATION OF \$25 AS A BASE FOR TAX RECEIPTS.

CARRIED

Motion 1106 (23-10-24)

Moved by Thomas Thomas

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RESCISSION OF *POLICY 1.04: IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY* AND SYSTEM DIRECTION AS ARTICULATED IN GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (GAP).

CARRIED

Motion 1107 (23-10-24)

Moved by Anisha Thomas

Seconded by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

THAT THE BOARD TRUSTEES APPROVE *POLICY 7.15: TRUSTEE HONORARIA AND EXPENSES* AND ENACT AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

Motion 1108 (23-10-24)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RESCISSION OF *POLICY 6.50: USE OF BUILDINGS, GROUNDS AND FACILITIES.*

CARRIED

As requested, the *GF 413 Warning Letter* is revised to include a copy to DPCDSB Counsel and the Family of Schools Superintendent.

Motion 1109 (23-10-24)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

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

CARRIED

- I. Additional Business Nil
 - 1. Notices of Motion
- J. Questions Asked by Trustees
 - 1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide information to our parents/guardians on air quality in our schools?

Superintendent Thomas: The Ministry has provided guidance on information that must be shared with the school community. DPCDSB has exceeded these requirements. We propose that

we update the board website with information on *Air Quality and Ventilation Optimization*. In all DPCDSB schools and buildings we have mechanical ventilation. Many schools in the province rely on natural ventilation, requiring windows to be open. Over the last couple of years, we have received and distributed over 3,000 HEPA filters across our schools.

2. Trustee Brea Corbet: Regarding *Take Our Kids to Work Day*. In order to ensure equity, what options are available for Grade 9 students who do not have the opportunity to go to work with an adult on November 1?

Director Mazzorato: We do provide follow up activities for the day, which students could access, in addition our Guidance Departments do make placements available if needed, i.e., at the Rose Theatre.

Trustee Brea Corbet: Communication that was distributed to parents/guardians recommended that if a student did not have a placement they were to stay home.

Director Mazzorato: I would like to determine if that was a board communication or a school communication. We will follow up with you.

3. Trustee Brea Corbet: The City of Mississauga provided bike racks for schools to support active transportation. Can staff follow up and advise if this is still available?

Director Mazzorato: We will follow up.

- 4. Trustee Brea Corbet: Commented that *Wilde Wood Award for School Zone Safety* is awarded to recognize schools that show leadership in promoting active transportation. Applications are being accepted until November 1. Only six applications have been received there is still an opportunity for schools to win \$500.
- 5. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: What is the process for schools to apply for grants?

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha: We have a Grants Review Committee. It is common for schools to find external funding opportunities. The process is that administrators contact their Family of Schools Superintendent, they would then bring information to the Grants Review Committee, who would review for risk and compliance, and if approved the administrator would then apply.

- 6. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Are there any standing grants, grants that are preapproved?
 - Executive Superintendent Cherepacha: If we do find one that is readily available, we will let the Family of Schools Superintendents know and they can share the news.
- 7. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: What is the status of green bins being used in our schools?
 - Superintendent Thomas: In the spring of 2022, the municipality wanted to pilot a program for 100 schools across DPCDSB and Peel District School Board (PDSB). Unfortunately, since the talks of the municipality dividing the program is not being offered. We can reach out to see if any schools have organized their organic waste collection.
- 8. Trustee Darryl D'Souza: When will staff be changing boundaries for schools? I am concerned that St. Daniel Comboni CES is well over capacity while St. Rita CES, which was the holding school is significantly underutilized. Staff should look at using the underutilized schools before building another school.

Superintendent Thomas: We do conduct a regular review of enrolment. We are well aware of enrolment pressures at St. Daniel Comboni CES. We would like to make adjustments with the approved new elementary school to rebalance numbers. We will provide information as soon as possible.

9. Trustee Mario Pascucci: When schools get damaged through vandalism, what is the policy for reimbursement?

Associate Director Del Bianco: Depending on the extent of the damage, it is normally via insurance. For instance, if graffiti occurs, normally the custodian takes care of the cleanup. We can follow up in Issues and Events about insurance deductibles.

10. Trustee Darryl D'Souza: Is it possible to get Issues and Events emailed to us, rather than having to access the report via VPN?

Director Mazzorato: If that is more convenient, we will do so.

- K. Declared Interest Items Nil
- L. In Camera Meeting of the Committee of the Whole

Motion 1110 (23-10-24)

Moved by Thomas Thomas

Seconded by Anisha Thomas

THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MOVE INTO A CLOSED MEETING AS DISCUSSIONS WILL INVOLVE THE DISCLOSURE OF 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: Approval of In Camera Board Minutes, Questions Asked by Trustees of an In Camera Nature, and approved a recommendation to the Board of Trustees from the In Camera Committee of the Whole.

Motion 1111 (23-10-24)

Moved by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE RESPONSE LETTER TO THE DEPUTY MINISTER MANSON-SMITH, REGARDING THE FINANCIAL INVESTIGATION.

CARRIED

N. Future Meetings

November 21, 2023 Organizational Meeting

November 28, 2023

December 12, 2023

January 30, 2024

February 27, 2024

March 19, 2024

April 23, 2024

May 28, 2024 June 18, 2024

O. Adjournment

Motion 1112 (23-10-24) Moved by Anisha Thomas Seconded by Paula Dametto-Giovannozzi

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:06 P.M.

CARRIED

	Business Arising from		
,	Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Regular Board Meeting, October 24, 2023		
School Board			
H 1	Education Funding Feedback 2024-25		
Q1	Trustee Mario Pascucci: I provided the director with four or five items brought forward by the OCSTA Large/Urban Board Advisory Council; can we review these items?	Awaiting the next steps from OCSTA.	
Q 2	Trustee Brea Corbet: Can the trustees' names be included in the submission to OCSTA?	Complete. Submission was sent October 24, 2023.	
Н3	Motions Recommended by the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee, October 17, 2023		
Q1	Trustee Brea Corbet: I would like to move a motion to amend the list of policies identified for review during the 2023-2024 year to add <i>Policy 105: Accidents and Illness</i> to the list of policies to be reviewed along with the corresponding GAP 101.2 Student Accidents.	This will be brought forward for the February 2024 By-Law/Policies Review Committee	
Q 2	Trustee Brea Corbet: I would like to move a motion to amend the implementation of <i>Policy 4.20 Fundraising and Donations</i> to keep article 10.1.3 of GAP 538 status quo at a \$25 minimum donation that must be generated for donations received centrally by cash/cheque as a base for tax receipts.	Remains as the status quo.	
J	Questions Asked by Trustees		
Q1	Trustee Mario Pascucci: Can staff provide information to our parents/guardians on air quality in our schools?	Superintendent Thomas: The Ministry has provided guidance on information that must be shared with the school community. DPCDSB has exceeded these requirements. We propose that we update the board website with information on <i>Air Quality and Ventilation Optimization</i> . In all DPCDSB schools and buildings we have mechanical ventilation. Many schools in the province role on patently contilation.	

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Q3	Trustee Brea Corbet: The City of Mississauga provided bike racks for schools to support active transportation. Can staff follow up and advise if this is still available?	City of Mississauga staff confirmed that it does not provide bike racks to schools. There was a program previously offered through the Region of Peel where it absorbed all costs, however, that program may be discontinued. DPCDSB staff will continue to investigate.
Q 4	Trustee Brea Corbet: Commented that Wild Wood Award for School Zone Safety is awarded to recognize schools that show leadership in promoting active transportation. Applications are being accepted until November 1. Only six applications have been received – there is still an opportunity for schools to win \$500.	Information regarding this opportunity was directly emailed to the principals/vice-principals.
Q7	Trustee Stefano Pascucci: What is the status of green bins being used in our schools?	The Region of Peel began its School Organics Collection Pilot Program in March 2022. At the time, DPCDSB informed the Region and Trustees that only schools in the northeastern part of the Region (Brampton and Caledon) would participate in the pilot. The Region has confirmed that it has no plans to expand the pilot. The Facilities Department is not aware of any other centrally organized efforts to coordinate the collection of green bin items.
Q 9	Trustee Mario Pascucci: When schools get damaged through vandalism, what is the policy for reimbursement?	Pending
Q 10	Trustee Darryl D'Souza: Is it possible to get Issues and Events emailed to us, rather than having to access the report via VPN?	Issues and Events updates are now being emailed directly to Trustees, beginning with the October 27 edition.