Trustees: Sharon Hobin

Luz del Rosario Brea Corbet Anna da Silva Chair

Vice Chair Trustee Trustee

a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Attached.

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



- 1. Regular Reports
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2. Student Voice – Student Trustees Leroy Onuoha (North) and Dea Sokoli (South)

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

Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, January 11, 2022
654 (22-02-22)
Stefano Pascucci
Mario Pascucci

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

655 (22-02-22) Shawn Xaviour Frank Di Cosola

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

656 (22-02-22) Shawn Xaviour Frank Di Cosola

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

657 (22-02-22) Stefano Pascucci Bruno Iannicca

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

658 (22-02-22) Anna da Silva Shawn Xaviour

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

Chair Sharon Hobin requested nominations.

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

5. Proposed Capital Priorities Program 2022-2023

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

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

Manager Cox: There are a variety of categories for consideration. We consider enrollment versus capacity of the school. Points are given for age of facility, undersized gyms, no specialty

- out specifics. Our proposal identifies the cost of the school and per pupil placements and the business case indicates all of the joint use possibilities, we have indicated that the City of Brampton is keen to partner on the field and related costs.
- 7. Trustee Anna da Silva: St. Augustine CSS field is unsafe, and we have been using the public school field (David Suzuki Secondary). I would like to request that we consider putting the replacement or St. Augustine CSS field on the CP Program list for consideration.

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

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

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

668 (22-02-22) Shawn Xaviour Thomas Thomas

PROPOSED 2022-2023 CAPITAL

**PRIORITIES** 

669 (22-02-22) Mario Pascucci Bruno Jannicca

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

670 (22-02-22) Brea Corbet Thomas Thomas

671 (22-02-22) Thomas Thomas Shawn Xaviour

REVISED POLICY 4.75: ACCEPTABLE

NETWORK USE AND SECURITY,

672 (22-02-22) Anna da Silva Frank Di Cosola 677 (22-02-22) Luz del Rosario Thomas Thomas Director Mazzorato: We have not had any guidelines as yet from the Ministry, we will commit to trying to get an initial communication out to parent/guardians by the end of next week. Our intent is to work toward in-person graduations and proms. In conversations with the public health authorities, they have advised that they have no intention of adding to guidelines from the Ministry.

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

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

Associate Director Amaral: Your question is rooted in matters of equality and inclusion and how

- Director Mazzorato: We would not be privy to what discussions occurred. The Council of Ontario Directors of Education (CODE) heard about it when the GSN was released last week.
- 13. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Are there any restrictions on what can be placed in our kindergarten classrooms, for example carpets?
  - Associate Director Amaral: We are waiting for Ministry guidelines regarding when and how we can begin incorporating group learning for our young learners, for example circle time on a carpet rather than at desks.
- 14. Trustee Brea Corbet: Do we know if there has been any indication by the Ministry or by our local public health units, if the masking mandate in schools will be lifted as part of the province's plan?
  - Director Mazzorato: This is another area of concern that we await Ministry guidelines on. The public health authorities will not recommend additional restrictions above the Ministry; however, they strongly encourage the use of masks. There is a Mississauga by-Law in place until March 31 making mask wearing mandatory. We have shared with the public health authorities the apprehension of removing masks too quickly and will also ensure the Ministry is aware of the concern.
- 15. Trustee Frank Di Cosola: As referenced before, the bussing in Shelbourne has been inconsistent and some students did not have bussing for four weeks. There is a municipal bus service that can be purchased, have we considered this?
  - Superintendent Thomas: I have followed up with Dufferin-Wellington consortium to see if they could partner with local municipal transit or taxi services and the options are limited in Shelburne. We are open to discussions, but it appears that the scope of pursuing is not possible or feasible due to the significant distance from

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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