

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

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

Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Trustees:	Sharon Hobin	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
	Eugene Zanone	

- a. Approval of Calendar Items - Nil
- 6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items:

A7 item L1 and M4 and M5

Trustee Sharon Hobin —family members belong to OECTA

Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

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

Trustee Frank Di Cosola—family member belongs to CUPE at another board

Motion 043 (20-01-28)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM L and M 10.

CARRIED

- 7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, December 10, 2019

Motion 044 (20-01-28)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 10, 2019, EXCLUDING L1, BE 46zMIISharon Hobin

2. Good News Items

Trustee Anna da Silva
Brampton Wards 1, 3 & 4

Pauline Vanier Catholic Elementary School

We had an amazing turnout for our annual Christmas Carousel evening. Our dedicated staff and Catholic School Council (CSC) organized and facilitated the evening. It was a fun filled evening of singing, crafts, cookie decorating, hot chocolate, dancing and a visit with our special guest – Santa! In addition, our Christmas Marketplace for Kids was a huge success. Sponsored by our CSC and a multitude of volunteers, students enjoyed shopping for their loved ones and friends. Students are continuing to participate in numerous extracurricular activities.

St. Anne Catholic Elementary School

OCSTA video contest winners! St. Anne won elementary first place with their video, *Igniting Hope, One Shoebox at a Time!* Special thanks to Madame Laurents and Mr. Pender and all students who participated!

St. Brigid Catholic Elementary School

Our STEM team recently applied for and received a grant, which helps our students learn coding, robotics and gives them an opportunity to create their own video games. Our school began rehearsing for our musical - *The Lion King*. With thanks to our CSC our Annual Community Skate at Gage Park will be taking place.

St. Kevin Catholic Elementary School

We continue to have an endless variety of activities to keep our students energized and learning. Our teaching staff has set up a STEM team to incorporate Science, Math and Technology. Our students are now using the on-line IXL Math program that was purchased for all children from Grades 1 to 8. A huge thank you to our CSC for purchasing this service. The tradition of basketball excellence has been a long tradition at St. Kevin. We have drop-in basketball programs before school and at recesses. Also focusing on physical development in partnership with Brampton Parks and Recreation, our Grade 4 and 5 students will be doing a learn to skate program.

St. Monica Catholic Elementary School

Christmas events raised \$1,753.10 for ShareLife. Our Kindergarten to Grade 3 Christmas Concert was highly successful and well attended. Thanks to our trustee Anna da Silva for bringing greetings and sharing in our Christmas Concert. Our *Cram A Cruiser* drive collected over 1,800 non-perishable goods for Ste. Louise Outreach. Our *Gifts of Warmth* collection highlighted three large boxes of warmth apparel. Spirit Week activities and our Christmas *Snow-a-Thon* - aka Dance-a-thon - culminated our final week at school before Christmas. In January, our Extended French information night was very successful and well attended. Over twenty-five students and their families indicated a strong interest to register for the program for next year. *Best You!* a program from the City of Brampton, visited our school and provided workshops for students in Grade 1 to 4 as part of our Healthy Schools Initiative. Staff continue to work with students preparing for *The Lion King* production, taking place during the first week of March.

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Brampton Wards 2, 5 & 6

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Elementary School

We held a spirit week before Christmas that included theme days such as Pajama Day, Christmas Hair Day, Wear Red and Green Day, Christmas Character Day and Ugly Sweater Day. January brought a return to normal with students focusing on their learning and work habits and teachers focusing on Math, Language and the multitude of subjects they teach.

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary School

Breakfast of Champions for semester one was held on January 9, 2020, celebrating students' achievements.

St. John of the Cross Catholic Elementary School

Our Grade 8 students, teachers and Trustee Brea Corbet volunteered at Dr Simone's Warehouse - Canadian Food for Children in Mississauga. It was a wonderful experience for our youth to give back to their community in a meaningful way. Students collect and sort donated items, pack items into the containers, unload donated goods etc. It's a hands-on experience about what social justice in our Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations really means.

St. Richard Catholic Elementary School

December continued to be a fun and faith-filled month with our Christmas spirit week, candy gram sales, our Family Advent Mass celebrated at St. John of the Cross Church. In the new year, students set goals and keys to success for 2020. Students enjoyed Eco Source presentations and will learn more about digital citizenship and youth and the law, with our youth education officer visits scheduled this month. Games club continues, Art club just began, and junior boys' and girls' basketball is underway.

F. Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Brampton School Traffic Safety Council Meeting, November 7, 2019

Motion 045 (20-01-28)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Frank Di Cosola

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRAMPTON SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL MEETING,
NOVEMBER 7, 2019, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, December 2, 2019

Motion 048 (20-01-28)

Moved by

H. Trustee/Committee/Administration Reports Requiring Action

1. Nominations For Membership on the Special Education Advisory Committee

Motion 053 (20-01-28)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 054 (20-01-28)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE NOMINATION OF TIM SMITH AND ROSE CASACCIA FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

2. Motions Recommended by Faith and Program Committee Meeting, December 9, 2019

Motion 055 (20-01-28)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE 2019-2020, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

CARRIED

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Motion 064 (20-01-28)
Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT POLICY 14.00: PRIMARY PROTOCOL, BE RESCINDED.

CARRIED

Motion 065 (20-01-28)
Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT POLICY 7.10: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED,
AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

Motion 066 (20-01-28)
Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT REVISED POLICY 6.57: CONCUSSIONS, BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

Motion 067 (20-01-28)
Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT NEW POLICY: USE OF GUIDE DOGS, SERVICE DOGS, AND SERVICE ANIMALS, BE
APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

CARRIED

6. Motions Recommended by Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting,
January 15, 2020

Motion 068 (20-01-28)

Therefore, be it Resolved that:

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OCSTA advocate on behalf of Catholic School Councils to increase the PRO Grant funding to support Catholic School Councils in providing community engagement activities, outreach programs and opportunities to keep families informed and active in their children's education experience.

e. Technology Funding

Moved by Mario Pascucci
Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

Whereas: technology is progressively more prevalent and infused throughout curriculum delivery; and

Whereas: technology is increasingly linked to equity of access and student engagement; and

Whereas: the Ministry of Education funding for technology and related infrastructure fluctuates from year to year and previously provided Technology Learning Funds (TLF) have been discontinued; and

Whereas: board technologies, related programs, and overall board infrastructure need to be updated and/or replaced on a regular basis, particularly vis-à-vis aging hardware; and

Whereas: the Grants for Student Needs (GSN) funding does not address technology needs for corporate functions, including Financial, Plant and Maintenance work order systems, payroll systems, student information systems and Human Resources and Employee Relations reporting; and

Whereas: the Ministry of Education has a stated focus on increasing the amount of e-learning in secondary schools;

Therefore, be it Resolved that:

OCSTA petition the Ministry of Education to support learning through sustainable technology and infrastructure funding. Aligned to the province's focus on modernizing learning and modernizing classrooms, school boards would benefit from increased and stable funding to support technology priorities.

f. Funding for Retrofitting/Renovating Schools

Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Sharon Hobin

Whereas: Keeping schools in a state of good repair is essential to providing safe and healthy learning environments for students and staff; and

Whereas: Funding levels for school renewal, repairs and retrofits have not been sufficient to reduce the overall deferred maintenance backlog; and

Whereas: Stable and reliable school renewal funding is necessary to make strategic, long-term investments to ensure that learning environments can support high levels of student achievement and well-being; and

Whereas: Effective July 3, 2018, the Ministry of Education announced the cancellation of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, which served as an important source of funding to replace, renew and install energy efficient building components, thereby enabling school boards to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and

Whereas: Retrofits and renovations in schools are necessary to support modernized, 21st Century Learning and technologies that will enable

Therefore, be it Resolved that:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Ministry of Education to impose a hard cap for Kindergarten classes and funding to sustain increased space requirements within schools to ensure equitable, consistent staffing in all Kindergarten classes.

h. OCSTA Vote Allocations

Moved by Mario Pascucci
Seconded by Sharon Hobin

Whereas: OCSTA is comprised of 234 elected trustees representing the 29 publicly funded Catholic English language school boards in the province of Ontario; and

Whereas: OCSTA is managed by a board of directors consisting of a president, a vice-president, a past president and 15 additional trustees elected from 12 Regions; and

Whereas: OCSTA's 15 Regional Directors are elected by trustees in each membership Region of the province; and

Whereas: each trustee is entitled to an individual vote at the Annual General Meeting; and

Whereas: the current management structure limits the ability to ensure equitable representation by student population from all Regions of the province.

Therefore, be it Resolved that:

OCSTA strike a committee to review its voting structures, including the process to elect its president and vice-president, with a view to promoting regular and equal

2. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's inquiry, Superintendent Max Vecchiarino advised that staff is working with the Program Department on materials regarding gender equality for June 2020.
3. In response to Trustee Stefano Pascucci's inquiry, Associate Director Daniel Del Bianco advised that plans for greening of properties will be discussed at the upcoming ~~Administration and Finance Committee meeting and~~
4. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's request for a status update on the cafeteria services

