



**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 24, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre**

Chair:	M. Pascucci		
Vice Chair:	F. Di Cosola		
Trustees:	A. Abbruscato	D. D'Souza	A. da Silva
	L. del Rosario	S. Hobin	B. Iannicca
	E. O'Toole	T. Thomas	S. Xaviour
Student Trustees:	J. Anderson	A. Hesketh-Pavilons	
Director of Education:			J. B. Kostoff
Director Designate:			M. Mazzorato
Associate Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer:			J. Hrajnik
Associate Director of Instructional Services:			S. McWatters
Superintendents:	D. Amaral	C. Blanchard	J. Cherepacha
	T. Cruz	D. Del Bianco	S. Kendrick
	T. Lariviere	D. Oude-Reimerink	L. Papaloni
	C. Pitoscia	S. Steer	L. Storey
	M. Vecchiarino		
Assistant Superintendents:		D. Finegan-Downey	E. Fischer
General Managers:	B. Campbell	R. Eberhardt	T. Fioravanti
	B. Hester	R. Moriah	
Recorder:	L. Mackereth		

A Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance
Chair M. Pascucci called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Opening Prayer
Chair of the Board M. Pascucci led the Opening Prayer inviting all to pray for the victims of terrorism around the world. A moment of silence was offered in respect of the passing of J. Hugel, first Chair of the Board.

3. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items:

- A5 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 27, 2015, Items L1, L2
- H4 Minutes of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting, November 24, 2015
- M1 Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting, October 27, 2015, Items L1, L2
- M4 Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting, November 24, 2015
- M 5 Memorandum of Settlement between CUPE and CTA

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Trustee S. Hobin —family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee A. da Silva—related to the Trustee Code of Conduct

Trustee B. Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA OT and CUPE 2026

Motion 280 (15-11-24) by E. O’Toole

Seconded by L. del Rosario

**THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM L.
CARRIED**

4. Approval of the Agenda

Addition to the Agenda:

- M 5 Memorandum of Settlement between CUPE and CTA dated November 2, 2015
- M 6 Legal Opinion

Motion 281 (15-11-24) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by A. da Silva

**THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.
CARRIED**

- i) Approval of Consent of Calendar Items
Nil

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 27, 2015, *excluding items L1 and L2*

Motion 282 (15-11-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. Xaviour

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, OCTOBER 24, 2015, EXCLUDING
ITEMS L1 and L2, BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

- i) Business Arising from the Minutes
Nil

learned about defensive and safe driving. Loyola students were involved in collection and recycling of electronic equipment raising \$1000 in the Eco school initiative. Students from the French program hosted a French Café.

- St. Helen School will be hosting breakfast with Santa on November 28, 2015.

Trustee L. del Rosario shared:

- Congratulations to the Riverwood Conservancy Enabling Garden in Mississauga. They were voted first place winner of a \$5000 grant from the National Garden Bureau. Voters were encouraged to vote through social media. The garden is appreciative of all staff and students who participated.
- Gifted students from St. John Bosco School lead a powerful Remembrance Day ceremony at the SEAC meeting. Thank you to Principal C. Young and her staff.
- Christmas cards created by St. Marcellinus Secondary School students are being sold in benefit of Mississauga Right to Life.
- On behalf of the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board, Trustee L. del Rosario accepted an award of recognition from Heritage Mississauga.
- Congratulations to Safe City Mississauga, providers of crime prevention to schools.

Trustee S. Xaviour shared:

- Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School welcomed Grade 8 students from the Catholic feeder schools on November 4. The Leadership class also visited the feeder schools to promote their school. Holy Name of Mary Catholic Secondary School's Business Breakfast hosted keynote speaker, humanitarian Christina Waller.
- Students at Fr. Francis McSpiritt raised \$800 for the Terry Fox Foundation. They are now collecting hard candy in support of Dr. Simone.
- Lester B. Pearson Catholic School presented a parent engagement session with Chris Vollum, focusing on the use of technology.
- Holy Spirit Elementary School presented a very successful Christmas Marketplace.
- St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School students and staff marked their 35th anniversary of the Terry Fox Walk with contributions of nearly \$17,000.

Trustee D. D'Souza shared:

- Families at Sacred Heart Catholic School worked to assemble 450 shoe boxes that will be shipped by Dr. Simone. Students and staff have a tradition of support of St. Leonard's Parish food drive and the parish's Toys for Tots.
- St. Agnes School students, focusing on environment education, participated in an environmental field trip where they learned how to grow pumpkins.
- St. Bonaventure junior choir sang *O Canada* at the opening of the new Longo's grocery store in Brampton.
- Congratulations to St. Edmund Campion Secondary junior and senior girls' basketball teams' ROPSSAA gold medal performances. The senior girls also qualified for the provincial championship. The senior boys won the ROPSSAA silver medal in football.
- St. Roch senior basketball and girls' flag football teams won the ROPSSAA championships.
- St. Jean-Marie Vianney Catholic School hosted the first Brampton West boys' flag football game. St. Roch students volunteered as referees.
- St. Edmund Campion Catholic Secondary School presented their 9th Annual Trick or Treat for children under 10 years of age. Children of the community participated in games and activities in a safe, warm environment.

- St. Edmund Campion Secondary School students hosted a Nicaragua Night on November 6.
- St. Edmund Campion Secondary School students participated in a democratic simulation, marking ballots to select a representative in Brampton West riding. 1625 Ballots were completed.

Trustee A. da Silva shared:

- Cardinal Leger Secondary School students and staff volunteered and participated in the Brampton Santa Claus parade.
- Congratulations to St. Monica School for their participation in a world record competition.
- St. Brigid School's mosaic art and new altar in the foyer were blessed by Fr. Jan.
- St. Augustine Secondary School participated in a successful Wake-a-thon fundraiser for the Nicaragua March for Life. On November 26, 200 boys are planning to participate in Boys Night Out. The junior boys' football team won the ROPSSAA championship.
- Our Lady of Peace School participated in *I Care* focusing on activities where students and staff work together.
- Pauline Vanier Catholic School donated 93 boxes to the Good Samaritan.
- St. Cecilia kicked off their house day in support of anti-bullying.

Trustee E. O'Toole shared:

- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School students were excited with the opening of their 25 year time capsule. Thank you to Vice Principal T. Coccimiglio for locating the time capsule. Former Principal J. Geiser and Vice Principal C. Martin attended the event.

Trustee M. Pascucci passed the chair to Trustee F. Di Cosola and shared:

- St. Alfred School recently received prayer book which was blessed by Pope Francis at the Vatican. It will be on display at the school.

Motion 285 (15-11-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE GOOD NEWS REPORTS, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

iii) Chair's Year End Report to the Board

Good evening. It is a Dufferin-Peel tradition that the chair provides year-end remarks to the board and I am pleased to briefly share a few words with you tonight.

It has been our annual mantra of sorts, but I can honestly say that we, as a Catholic school board, have achieved much over the past year. The fact of the matter is, that we have experienced significant levels of success and achievement – measureable through the likes of our EQAO scores, graduation rates and other variables.

I would make mention of a few of these successes, including:

- Our eighth consecutive balanced budget
- Enrolment that has again exceeded projections
- Continued upward trending EQAO scores that consistently meet or exceed provincial standards as well as provincial averages.

- Higher graduation rates – among the highest in the province.
- Successful completion of year one of our Strategic System Plan, approved by trustees in 2014.
- The incredible number of charitable works, both for local and global causes, in which our students and staff are engaged in our schools and other board facilities.
- 100% Eco certified schools.
- Our recent Sir John A. Macdonald competition in which we saw some very engaged students present their projects.
- A successful start to the current school year; the list goes on and on.

Each and every trustee around this table has worked hard on behalf of our communities they represent, for the benefit of our students and our families. This includes numerous visits to our schools during the course of the year. The commitment and dedication is in keeping with the trust bestowed upon us as stewards of Catholic education. It is an awesome privilege. Our Board has the experience that other Boards look up to. There are over 178 years' experience around this board. We know how to deliver quality Catholic education that makes our students successful and our parents/guardians are pleased.

We never tire of celebrating and spreading the good news of Catholic education, for Catholic Education is truly alive, well and flourishing in Dufferin-Peel.

As chair I have had the opportunity over the year to meet and reach out under the premise that I'd rather know you before I need you. I had the opportunity to meet with Mayor of Mississauga with your vice chair, Mayor of Brampton, we met the Cardinal, Bishop Boissonneau, and attended the PLASP General Meeting. I have recently met with the CEO for the Mississauga Board of Trade, and Kathy Burtnik and Bob Schreder of OCSTA to discuss our representation issue. I have met with the Minister of Education informally at least four times, spoken chairs from Toronto, York, Halton and Durham and attended the Cardinal's Dinner with the idea to reach out to these people so that they know who we are and not to sit back and wait for them to come to us.

As we approach the turn from 2015 into 2016, we get ready to say goodbye to our director for the past eight years, John Kostoff. John, thank you for your leadership, hard work, dedication and commitment to Catholic education in Dufferin-Peel. Your leadership and friendship have been valued and appreciated by these trustees. These trustees have been your greatest supporters. You have been recognized by a number of organizations across the province for your work in Catholic Education. You are a respected member of the community.

We will also welcome our new director, Marianne Mazzorato and look forward to working with her as we face the challenges of the future.

It is in fact very important to understand that when we get together as trustees we work together for your children.

To my fellow trustees, thank you for your support and hard work on behalf of children and families. We, as a board, are in a good place. 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 here in Dufferin-Peel.

Thank you and God Bless.

Trustee B. Iannicca requested the report be read into the minutes.

Motion 286 (15-11-24) by S. Xaviour

Seconded by D. D'Souza

**THAT THE CHAIR'S YEAR END REPORT BE RECEIVED AND READ INTO THE MINUTES.
CARRIED**

F Reports from Committees, for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, September 24, 2015—S. Xaviour

Motion 287 (15-11-24) by S. Xaviour

Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, SEPTEMBER 24, 2015, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, October 21, 2015—S. Hobin

Motion 288 (15-11-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, OCTOBER 21, 2015, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G Information/Reports from Administration, for Receipt

Nil

H Trustee, Committee, Administration Reports, Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, November 2, 2015—E. O'Toole

Motion 289 (15-11-24) by E. O'Toole

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 2, 2015, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, November 9, 2015—E. O'Toole

Motion 290 (15-11-24) by E. O'Toole

Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 9, 2015, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting, November 10, 2015—E. O’Toole

Motion 291 (15-11-24) by E. O’Toole

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 10, 2015, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 292 (15-11-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. Hobin

THAT THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2015, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting November 24, 2015
Moved to Agenda Item L2

5. Initial Staff Report, Pupil Accommodation Review 2015-East Mississauga—D. Del Bianco

D. Del Bianco Superintendent of Planning and Operations and S. Cox, Manager of Planning reviewed the report, the recommendation of the commencement of a Pupil Accommodation Review in the East Credit area of the City of Mississauga.

The Accommodation Review addresses reducing surplus pupil places. The Ministry of Education released the new Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline (PARG) in March 2015. October 27, 2015, Board Policy 6.51 Pupil Accommodation Review was amended to reflect the changes of the new PARG, following community consultation. Staff reviewed all capacities and provided options, including, as mandated by the Ministry, a preferred option.

With the approval of the initiation of the Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR) process, an Accommodation Review Committee (ARC) will be established and the public consultation process will commence. Strict timelines have been mandated by the Ministry of Education.

Trustee L. del Rosario indicated she could not support this proposal.

In response to Trustee L. del Rosario, Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised the PAR process is to look at groupings of schools. The East Credit group of eight schools has been identified as being significantly under capacity in 2015-16 with a combined enrollment decline in the coming years, necessitating the forecasted commencement of an Accommodation Review. J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, added funding has changed and the Ministry will not fully fund underutilized schools.

Motion 293 (15-11-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by A. da Silva

THAT THE CHAIR WRITE A LETTER TO OCSTA REGARDING THE PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW PROCESS AND SPEAK TO THE MINISTRY ON OUR BEHALF.

CARRIED

Motion 294 (15-11-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by A. da Silva

THAT THE CHAIR WRITE A LETTER TO MINISTRY OF EDUCATION REGARDING THE PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW PROCESS.

CARRIED

Discussion ensued. Superintendent D. Del Bianco noted the timelines and the preferred option are stipulated in the PARG.

Motion 295 (15-11-24) by E. O’Toole

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MOTION TO COMMENCE THE EAST CREDIT MISSISSAUGA PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW BE DEFERRED UNTIL DECEMBER 8, 2015.

DEFEATED

The timelines, the implications of delaying the process and retrofit funds were discussed.

Trustees T. Thomas and L. del Rosario would not support the report and requested a recorded vote.

In response to trustees, Superintendent D. Del Bianco indicated the communication strategy would consist of: posting on the webpage, letter to parents/guardians, bulletins to families and communities. Trustees will receive all correspondence.

Recorded Vote:

YEAS: – Trustees B. Iannicca, S. Xaviour, F. Di Cosola, E. O’Toole, S. Hobin, A. Abbruscato, A. da Silva

NAYS – Trustees D. D’Souza, T. Thomas, M. Pascucci, L. del Rosario

Motion 296 (15-11-24) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE INITIAL STAFF REPORT, PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW 2015-EAST CREDIT MISSISSAUGA, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 297 (15-11-24) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EAST CREDIT MISSISSAUGA PUPIL ACCOMMODATION REVIEW, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

I Notices of Motion

Nil

J Additional Business

Nil

K Questions asked of, and by Board Members

1. Trustee S. Hobin indicated that students attending the first French Immersion site at St. Margaret of Scotland School will be graduating and transitioning to Loyola Catholic Secondary School. These students live across the City of Mississauga and recognizing the program of choice busing policy, Trustee Hobin requested a review of options for these students. Staff will meet to review the issue.
2. Trustee B. Iannicca inquired about school budgets for various programs. Staff advised school budgets are based on enrollment and programs are funded from the operating budget. SHSMs are funded by specific grants from the Ministry.
3. In response to Trustee B. Iannicca's inquiry, staff advised excursions are built into some of the programs. Some years may have more excursions than others dependent on the nature of the program and what the excursions relate to in the program.
4. In response to Trustee B. Iannicca, staff advised the school administration deals with situations to promote and ensure the respect of all students.

Motion 298 (15-11-24) by S. Hobin

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE MEETING BE EXTENDED TO COMPLETE THE AGENDA.

CARRIED

5. Trustee D. D'Souza inquired about meeting to discuss St. Alphonsa Catholic Elementary School. Staff advised discussions will continue on November 25. A community meeting is scheduled for December 2.
6. Trustee F. Di Cosola requested trustees be informed and aware of updates concerning school boundaries to enable them to respond to their communities.

L Declared Interest Items

Trustee F. Di Cosola assumed the Chair.

The following trustees left the meeting for the declared interest items.

Trustee M. Pascucci—daughter-in-law is a member of OECTA

Trustee A. Abbruscato—family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee S. Hobin—family members belong to OECTA and OECTA OT

Trustee A. da Silva—family member belongs to OECTA, related to the Trustee Code of Conduct

Trustee B. Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA OT and CUPE 2026

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 24, 2015, Items L1 and L2.

Motion 299 (15-11-24) by S. Xaviour

Seconded by L. del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, October 24, 2015, ITEMS L1, and L2, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Contract and Negotiations Committee Meeting November 24, 2015
The minutes were distributed at the meeting.

Motion 300 (15-11-24) by S. Xaviour

Seconded by L. del Rosario

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CONTRACT AND NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 24, 2015, BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

M In Camera Session

Motion 301 (15-11-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by D. D'Souza

**THAT THE BOARD RESOLVE INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE IN CAMERA
SESSION.**

CARRIED

N Rise and Report

Motion 302 (15-11-24) by S. Xaviour

Seconded by D. D'Souza

**THAT THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA BE PRESENTED AND THAT
THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS BE ADOPTED.**

CARRIED

O Future Meetings

December 8, 2015

Organizational Board December 1, 2015

January 26, 2016

February 23, 2016

March 29, 2016

April 26, 2016

May 24, 2016

June 21, 2016

P Adjournment

Motion 303 (15-11-24) by T. Thomas

Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED. 11:39 P.M.

CARRIED