



**Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 25, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre**

Chair: M. Pascucci
Vice-Chair: S. Hobin
Trustees: A. Abbruscato A. da Silva F. Di Cosola
P. Ferreira B. Iannicca S. McLauchlan
E. O'Toole T. Thomas L. Zanella
Student Trustees: N. Lizzi M. MacNeil
Director of Education: J. B. Kostoff
Associate Director of Corporate Services, Chief Financial Officer
and Treasurer: J. Hrajnik
Associate Director of Instructional Services: S. McWatters
Superintendents: D. Amaral B. Bjarnason C. Blanchard
J. Cherepacha T. Cruz J. Geiser
S. Kendrick M. Mazzorato N. Milanetti
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 of the Board 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.

3. Declaration of Interest (*as defined in the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*)

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda item A5 (Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 28, 2014), Items A3 (Declaration of Interest) and L1 (Declared Interest Items- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2013)

Trustee M. Pascucci–family member belongs to OECTA

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

Trustee A. da Silva–family member belongs to OECTA

Trustee S. Hobin–family members belong to OECTA

Trustee A. Abbruscato–family members belong to OECTA

Trustee F. Di Cosola-family member belongs to CUPE at another board

Student Trustee M. MacNeil–family member belongs to OECTA

Student Trustee N. Lizzi–family member belongs to OECTA

Motion 082 (14-03-25) by T. Thomas

Seconded by A. Abbruscato

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

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 083 (14-03-25) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by E. O’Toole

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

Trustee L. Zanella joined the meeting in process.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 25, 2014

Motion 084 (14-03-25) by S. McLauchlan

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2014, excluding Item A5 (Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 28, 2014), Items A3 (Declaration of Interest) and L1 (Declared Interest Items- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2013), BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

i) Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

B Awards and Presentations

Nil

C Pastor's Remarks

Nil

D Delegations

Nil

E Information/Reports from Trustees, for Receipt

i) Regular Reports

Nil

ii) Good News Items

Trustee S. McLauchlan provided the following good news:

Between all the Valentine's Day Dance-a-thons and Shrove Tuesday celebrations, the past month has once again been an incredibly active time within our Dufferin-Peel schools.

Here's a few highlights from Brampton East with congratulations to students and staff at the following schools:

- Cardinal Ambrozic's annual "CaraCardinal" diversity celebration featuring student dances and multi-cultural food and stations. The evening celebration was attended by Brampton Mayor Fennell;
- St. Thomas Aquinas's Regional Arts Program students performed a wonderful production of the musical Hairspray;
- Fr. Clair Tipping's come to life Wax museum in honour of Black History Month;
- George Vanier's Glee Club sang the American and Canadian national anthems at the Brampton Beast game;
- St. Isaac Jogues senior grade students' Science fair;
- Boardwide Elementary and Secondary Technology and Skills Competition- All Board staff and students involved with special thanks to everyone in our Program Department and both host schools, St. Bernadette and Philip Pocock Secondary School, who did such an amazing job.
- Notre Dame Knights and St. Marguerite d'Youville Panthers- these two senior boys basketball teams tipped off against each other in an All Dufferin-Peel bronze medal game at OFSSAA; incredible hard fought game with an Notre Dame player hitting a come from behind 3-point shot as time expired to clinch their first OFSSAA medal ever with a 53-51 victory!
- Dufferin-Peel Staff and Family Members participation in a Share Life event hosted at St. Mary's School in Brampton, featured great music from Dufferin-Peel staff, fantastic food and though the weather was too cold to permit ice skating at Gage Park. It was a fun event for a very worthwhile cause.

Trustee S. Hobin provided the following good news:

Congratulations to the Loyola Drama students and teachers for winning 2 awards in the Sears Drama Festival:

1. Spirit of the Festival
2. Award of merit (Director and Stage Manager)

Sincere congratulations to Mr. Wojciech Kubicki and the Iona Concert Band for winning the silver medal at the Ontario Band Association 12th Annual Concert Band Performance and Competition!! This year, the festival hosted 163 bands from across Ontario.

I am sure that you are eagerly involved in the March Madness. March Madness is extra exciting this year at Loyola and Dufferin-Peel as we watch with pride the strong performances of our Loyola alum, Nik Staukas who is starring at the University of Michigan number 11. Nick was named the Big 10 Player of the Year in this, his sophomore season with the Wolverines. He is a top scorer and has developed a very strong and solid all around game. Nik played for Loyola in his junior years before going to a prep school in the US.

For the second year in a row, St. Luke School was well represented at the Lion's Club regional Effective Speaking Competition for Grades 6 to 8. Ashton brought home the Allan Wallensky first place trophy with his speech "Technology" and Kelsey took second place for her speech on "Water Altogether". In addition, Kelsey achieved third place at the Canadian Legion competition for Grades 7 to 9. We all cheer on Ashton as he proceeds to the provincial Lion's.

Trustee E. O'Toole provided the following good news:

Congratulations to:

- Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School and Our Lady of Mercy School in the *roll up the rim* initiative. Staff and students collected winnings and presented them to the homeless at their Friday evening trip to feed the homeless of Out of the Cold at St. Michael's Cathedral hall. Trustee E. O'Toole recognized staff and students for their dedication to this initiative.
- St. Aloysius Gonzaga presented their 2nd Annual Poverty Summit, extending an invitation to other schools. Students experienced how they can make a difference.
- St. Elizabeth Seton presented their second successful movie night.

Trustee B. Iannicca provided the following good news:

Congratulations to Bishop Scalabrini School. Staff and police teamed up to play a hockey game against the students at Iceland to raise money for Share Life. Staff ensured all

students had a wonderful time and special thanks go out to the police for their support.

F Reports from Committees, for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, February 12, 2014
—L. Zanella

Trustee L. Zanella reminded trustees to wear purple on March 26th to support National Epilepsy Foundation Awareness and also noted the Community Living Event, March 27th, to honour Mayor McCallion at the Mississauga Convention Centre.

Motion 085 (14-03-25) by L. Zanella Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 12, 2014, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Mississauga Public Library Board, February 19, 2014—P. Ferreira

Motion 086 (14-03-25) by T. Thomas Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MISSISSAUGA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD, FEBRUARY 19, 2014, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G Information/Reports from Administration, for Receipt

1. Tender Opening for St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Elementary School-Addition
—B. Bjarnason

B. Bjarnason, Superintendent of Planning reported on the contract tender for the addition at St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Elementary School. Strut-Con Co. Ltd. was awarded the contract and has moved on-site. The project is scheduled for completion in August, in time for the September start up.

Motion 087 (14-03-25) by E. O'Toole Seconded by S. Hobin

THAT THE REPORT, TENDER OPENING FOR ST. ELIZABETH SETON CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-ADDITION, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Tender Opening for St. Dominic Catholic Elementary School-Addition and Renovation—B. Bjarnason

Chair M. Pascucci passed the chair to Trustee S. Hobin.

Motion 088 (14-03-25) by M. Pascucci

Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE REPORT, TENDER OPENING FOR ST. DOMINIC CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-ADDITION AND RENOVATION, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Trustee M. Pascucci resumed the Chair.

3. Reply to Letter from City of Mississauga Traffic Safety Council—B. Bjarnason

Trustees discussed at length the safety of our students being paramount. Concerned with unacceptable behavior of certain parents on school property, specifically in the Kiss N Ride area, direction was given to bring further awareness to traffic safety.

Staff advised letters will be sent home to parents to heighten the awareness of safety on our school property, behavior that puts students at risk and asking parents to respect the safety of all students. The letters will be placed on the board and school websites. School councils will be informed and all parents advised of the consequences. By-law officers may be contacted.

This fall, Dufferin-Peel staff will be working with Peel Regional Police to produce a DVD focusing on traffic safety.

Motion 089 (14-03-25) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by T. Thomas

THAT THE REPORT, REPLY TO LETTER FROM CITY OF MISSISSAUGA TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

4. Leading, Loving and Learning Anthology, 2013-2014—S. McWatters/E. Fischer/
D. Finegan-Downey/D. Oude-Reimerink

Associate Director S. McWatters highlighted equity, diversity, inclusion, safe and caring environment as enabling conditions for student success and well-being. The Catholic school learning teams have been deeply engaged in theories of action and inquiries that link directly to the shared priorities, shared theories of actions that are aligned to strategic direction and the Catholic Board Learning Plan.

S. McWatters introduced E. Fisher, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education and Support Services, and D. Downey, Assistant Superintendent of Program to provide a

summary of the anthology, narratives and stories shared by schools, illustrating the work in Dufferin-Peel that demonstrates how staff align to Ministry and board directions. This anthology celebrates the work in progress and supporting students in their journey towards achieving the Ontario Catholic School Graduation Expectations.

In response to Trustee S. Hobin's inquiry, staff advised copies of the Leading, Loving and Learning Anthology have been provided to schools, school council chairs and for school resource centres. It is available for staff to share on the staff component of the board website and will also be shared with Ministry staff during reviews and audits.

Trustee B. Iannicca requested a short summary be sent to principals, to encourage dialogue with school councils. Staff noted the Anthology is an opportunity for the principal to discuss and share with their council, the work at each school around the CBLP, the goals of Dufferin-Peel and the work that is happening in the local school.

Trustee F. Di Cosola congratulated staff on the document and noted it warrants the attention of school councils.

Motion 090 (14-03-25) by A. da Silva

Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE REPORT, LEADING, LOVING AND LEARNING ANTHOLOGY, 2013-2014, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

5. 2012-13 Director's Annual Report- Community Edition—J. B. Kostoff

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education, noted the Director's Annual Report is a requirement under the Education Act. This edition of the report provides the community with a streamlined report, identifying the successes of 2012-2013. An electronic copy of the report is available on the board website.

Trustees congratulated the director on the report noting it was factual and concise, environmentally responsible, and provides an update to the community.

Motion 091 (14-03-25) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE REPORT, 2012-13 DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT- COMMUNITY EDITION, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Travel Advisory-Verbal Report—J. B. Kostoff/M. Vecchiarino

J. B. Kostoff, Director of Education introduced M. Vecchiarino, Superintendent of Schools to provide details of a travel advisory issued to secondary schools on March 26, 2014.

Superintendent M. Vecchiarino advised, in light of the recent political unrest in Russia, particularly the recent acquisition of Crimea and the travel bans issued by the Canadian government, the board will not be permitting any trips to that region.

In response the Trustee F. Di Cosola's inquiry, staff advised that some travel companies may be offering trips. The board will advise them that our students will not be permitted travel to that region.

Motion 092 (14-03-25) by A. da Silva

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE REPORT, TRAVEL ADVISORY, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

H Trustee, Committee, Administration Reports, Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, March 3, 2014—B. Iannicca

Motion 093 (14-03-25) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, MARCH 3, 2014, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 094 (14-03-25) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE BOARD DIRECT STAFF THAT THE DISTRIBUTION AND WARD ALIGNMENTS OF THE 11 DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES REMAIN STATUS QUO AS DETERMINED ACCORDING TO O.REG 412.00 OF THE EDUCATION ACT

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, March 17, 2014
—S. McLauchlan

Trustee B. Iannicca, referring to 21st Century Learning, inquired as to a plan to educate parents on the board's plans. Moving forward, staff will provide communications to parents.

Motion 095 (14-03-25) by S. McLauchlan Seconded by T. Thomas

**THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 17, 2014, BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

I Notices of Motion
Nil

J Additional Business

Trustee A. da Silva requested approval to attend a Professional Development course on April 10, 2014.

J.B. Kostoff, Director of Education, clarified that the board policy revised January 2014, in connection with Broader Public Sector (BPS) expense policy, identifies specific conferences and professional development that trustees may attend. Any conference outside of those listed in the policy may be brought to the board for approval. The course would be related to the trustees' role and may include leadership, governance and strategic planning.

Motion 096 (14-03-25) by A. da Silva Seconded by T. Thomas

**THAT TRUSTEE A. DA SILVA ATTEND A COURSE RELATING TO HER PROFESSIONAL
DUTIES AT THE BOARD, BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

K Questions asked of, and by Board Members

Trustee S. Hobin commented on the upcoming Family of Schools meetings providing time for trustees to address Catholic Education, the One School Movement and some of the issues being faced. Trustee Hobin thanked Director J.B. Kostoff and General Manager B. Campbell for the assistance provided in preparation of the newsletter insert to address the One School Movement issue and school funding cuts.

Trustee P. Ferreira joined the meeting in process.

Student Trustee M. MacNeil inquired regarding the SHSM programs and students applying

to university. Staff advised institutions have knowledge of the SHSM programs and universities may utilize information differently when students are applying.

Trustee A. DaSilva asked staff for speaking notes for Catholic Education Week and 21st Century Learning. Staff advised speaking notes will be provided.

L Declared Interest Items

Trustee L. Zanella declared a conflict of interest in declared agenda item A5 (Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 28, 2014), Items A3 (Declaration of Interest) and L1 (Declared Interest Items- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2013).

The chair was passed to Trustee E. O’Toole.

The following trustees who had declared an interest left the meeting:

Trustee M. Pascucci–family member belongs to OECTA

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

Trustee A. da Silva–family member belongs to OECTA

Trustee S. Hobin–family members belong to OECTA

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Trustee F. Di Cosola-family member belongs to CUPE at another board

Student Trustee M. MacNeil–family member belongs to OECTA

Student Trustee N. Lizzi–family member belongs to OECTA

Trustee L. Zanella- family member belongs to OECTA

Motion 097 (14-03-25) by T. Thomas

Seconded by P. Ferreira

1. **THAT ITEM A5 OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 28, 2014, Items A3 (Declaration of Interest) and L1 (Declared Interest Items- Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2013), BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

M In Camera Session

Motion 098 (14-03-25) by T. Thomas

Seconded by S. McLauchlan

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

CARRIED

N Rise and Report

Motion 099 (14-03-25) by P. Ferreira

Seconded by B. Iannicca

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

Regular Board Meetings

May 27, 2014

June 17, 2014

P Adjournment

Motion 100 (14-03-25) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

CARRIED