

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

7:00 pm

Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Trustees: M. Pascucci, S. Hobin, A. Abbruscato, D. D'Souza,
A. da Silva, L. del Rosario, F. Di Cosola, B. Iannicca,
E. O'Toole, S. Xaviour, Student Trustee S.
Cameron
T. Thomas, Student Trustee K. Tom
M. Mazzorato, J. Hrajnik, D. Amaral, W. Brunton,
J. Cherepacha, T. Cruz, D. Del Bianco, R.
Eberhardt, D. Finegan-Downey, S. Gos, M. Lewis,
C. Murphy, L. Papaloni, T. Peel, L. Storey, S.
Strong, M. Vecchiarino, M. Beck, B. Campbell, T.
Davis, B. Hester, R. Moriah
S. Steer

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. Acknowledgement of First Nation Sacred Territory

Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci acknowledged the sacred territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

3. Opening Prayer

Chair of the Board, M. Pascucci led the Opening Prayer, followed by the Hail Mary.

Trustee S. Xaviour joined the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

4. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items:

A 6 - Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2017

M 1- Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2017

Trustee M. Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

Trustee S. Hobin —family members belong to OECTA

Trustee A. Abbruscato—family members belong to OECTA

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

Student Trustee S. Cameron—family member belongs to OECTA

Motion (18-01-50)

Moved By L. del Rosario

Seconded By B. Iannicca

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

CARRIED

5. Approval of the Agenda

Addition to the Agenda - M 3 Personnel Matter

Motion (18-01-51)

Moved By D. D'Souza

Seconded By L. del Rosario

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

a. Approval of Consent of Calendar Items

a. Employee Population Report as at December 31, 2017.

6. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2017

Motion (18-01-52)

Moved By S. Hobin

Seconded By F. Di Cosola

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, DECEMBER 12, 2017, EXCLUDING DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS L1 AND L2, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

a. Business Arising from the Minutes- Nil

B. Awards and Presentation

C. Pastor's Remarks

Father Frank Portelli, Director of the Office of Catholic Youth in the Archdiocese of Toronto, shared the work of Regeneration, the Missionaries and the Youth Ministry.

Trustees thanked Father Portelli for sharing his vocation.

D. Delegations

E. Updates/Information/Reports From Trustees, For Receipt

1. Regular Reports- Nil
2. Good News Items

Trustee S. Hobin shared:

The Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) is presenting various engagement sessions utilizing Pro-Grants funds. The presentations include: Preparing your Child with Differing Abilities for the Sacraments; Supporting Transitions of Children with Differing Abilities into Kindergarten 2018; Math Mission Possible; TextHelpRead/Write; Mental Health and Well-Being-safe Talk 2; Post Secondary Transitions with Shelley Higgerty.

I would like to thank all of the schools with whom I work for their wonderful work over our Advent season celebrating Masses and liturgies as well as supporting Christmas concerts and class presentations. The outreach to those who are in need is so uplifting and is exactly what Jesus would want us to do at Christmas. Thank you for your support of our food banks, ShareLife, Salvation Army, Haiti and so much more.

Iona Catholic Secondary School

Iona is pleased to announce that the following students have had their work selected to be on exhibit at the Legislative Assembly for the next year: Kelsie Leung, Rachel Masucci, Alyssa Verdán, Melanie Klemens, Jade D'Angela, Claudia Gabiga. Extra special congratulations go out to Kelsie Leung (Speaker's Choice) and Rachel Masucci (Honourable Mention) awards.

Native Studies at Iona Catholic Secondary School - This month at Iona, students have shared a special focus on our Indigenous and First Nations people in their classes. Several of our Native Studies classes partnered with Visual Arts classes to study the rich world of Native art. Trips to visit small local galleries featuring this beautiful and symbolic art have been a rich experience for our students. On a school-wide scale, our library and English department have initiated a book drive to help furnish school libraries in Canada's northern regions. Staff and students have responded with tremendous enthusiasm and there are now hundreds of books ready to make their way to their new home. And, in the spirit of Christmas and gift giving, our Grade 12 Legacy classes added a personal touch by preparing a class set of handmade and decorated envelopes containing books and other small school items to send to a class in a school in the Northern regions. Our students have learned so much this year from our country's First Nations people.

All Saints School

Officer Billy came in to share lessons on stranger awareness with kindergartens and pedestrian safety in junior classes. Sportsletics continues to share Zumba and Martial

Arts and will have a parent engagement night in January for Yoga and Mindfulness. Our math lead teachers will continue to expand and share curriculum. We will be hosting a Jump Rope for Heart assembly. Our Catholic School Advisory Council plans to end the month by attending the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils event at St. Joseph CSS on January 31.

Christ the King Catholic School

The month began with a student-led assembly outlining the virtue of Self-Control and a school-wide anti-bullying lesson that coincided with practicing this virtue. Student reps on our Safe and Healthy Schools Committee have been busy planning the upcoming Students vs. Teachers and Peel Police Hockey Day at CTK in support of Eden Food for Change. The ever-popular Officer Billy visited Grades 4, 6 and 8 to talk about personal safety and digital citizenship and registration for our after-school Active Chefs program is now complete. We look forward to working alongside Peel Region of Health and Active Chefs next month!

St. Christopher School

At St. Christopher, great things are happening! The Crusader athletes are preparing for the upcoming hockey and basketball tournaments. Our Student Parliament has continued their leadership around the school and their efforts are visible with their successful outreach projects and their most recent candy-grams for ShareLife. The intermediates were treated to a powerful assembly about "Living your Legacy" sponsored by the Catholic School Council. We are looking forward to the many upcoming activities including: Tribute to Disney rehearsals, Primary Intramurals and a Spring Family of Schools Dance showcase. Many hands are at work every day with: study hall helpers, parent literacy coaches, junior peer helpers, PALs, Andre's Angels, intermediate office helpers and more.

St. Clare School

Thank you to the Youth Faith Ambassadors who organized the Christmas Giving Tree and attended the MS Youth Faith Rally. Student Council organized Spirit Week, a Warm Winter Clothing Drive for Salvation Army and they sold Christmas cookies to raise money for ShareLife. They are currently working on other initiatives such as preparing for our Lenten Drive and organizing a Family Movie Night. This month, the Rosary Apostolate volunteers will be visiting classes to pray and learn about the Rosary. The Boys' and Girls' Junior Basketball season has begun. Teachers are organizing Primary Intramural Beach Ball Volleyball, preparing for the Public Speaking competition and starting up the Chess Club. The Catholic School Council has sponsored X-Dance for all students at the end of January followed by an X-Dance Family Evening Event.

St. Francis of Assisi School

St. Francis of Assisi School was overwhelmed with incredible generosity and community support during the Christmas season as over 17 families were supported with meaningful gifts and monetary contributions. To begin this New Year, staff and students wore our shades and bright colours to kick off our "The Future is so bright we have to wear shades" theme for 2018. Congratulations to Mrs. DeMasi (Grade7) on the birth of her baby girl. We welcomed two new teachers, Ms. Milheiras and Ms. D'Sa into our

Grade 7 classrooms. It is busy at SFA with our Grade 7 ski trips to Hockley Valley, with both our junior and intermediate hockey teams involved with tournaments and with junior basketball being in full force. Thanks to our wonderful school social worker, Mrs. Seymore, for organizing a parenting group: Parenting in the age of Technology, which is taking place on two nights this month.

St. Helen School

I would like to welcome Mr. Coulson as the St. Helen acting principal. Thanks to Mrs. Gale for coming back to help us through to Christmas until our new principal is chosen. St. Helen celebrated the Advent Season with a school Mass on December 6. The school community generously supported St. Christopher Parish and the local community through our Angel Tree donations. The school celebrated the talents of our students with our annual Christmas concert. St. Helen will be having its Virtue Assembly in January to celebrate the virtue of Self-Control. Mrs. Sharmon's Grade 5/6 class will be presenting on how we can make good choices through self-control.

St. Louis School

January is always an exciting time here at St. Louis. We always begin with a MADD presentation for our Grade 7 and 8 students – in an effort to best prepare them for their lives as young adults making adult split second decisions. Our Rosary Apostolate comes and visits our classes every second Tuesday morning. Officer Billy is in this month and has joins our Start2Finish Running Club, which meets every Tuesday night from October to May – for our Grade 1 to 6 students and our Grade 7 and 8 coaches. Mrs. Vedi, our storyteller, comes every Monday throughout the winter months and shares the art of storytelling. And we end with our Tim Horton's second visit to Onondaga Farms for our Grades 6, 7 and 8 classes.

St. Luke

St. Luke has had a busy start to the 2018 school year with auditions for our upcoming Willy Wonka Production, which will take place during Catholic Education Week. Our primary, junior and intermediate students are busy getting ready to compete in our upcoming speech and chess competitions. Our intermediate co-ed hockey team has been practicing, as they will be competing in the St. Herbert tournament at the end of the month.

St. Margaret of Scotland

St. Margaret of Scotland has been awarded \$3000 #Desjardins Foundation Prize! The Desjardins Foundation awards financial assistance for projects with a direct impact on kindergarten, elementary and secondary school students. 1,127 applications were received and 199 prizes were awarded in December. Our project will support keeping students active, including support for our Playground Activity Leaders in School (P.A.L.S.) and Bike to School initiatives in the spring. We will also be looking at purchasing tricycles for use in the kindergarten outdoor play space.

St. Mark School

St. Mark School's annual Live Nativity once again proved to be a wonderful and heart warming community building event where staff, students, parish, family, friends and the

community at large gathered outside St. Mark School to celebrate the Christmas season. This included the angelic voices of the primary classes along with crafts, games and goodies led by the Junior and Intermediate grades. Father Tim Hanley of St. Ignatius Loyola Parish began the festivities with a blessing of testable. The event helped to raise funds and goods for St. Vincent de Paul Society, Salvation Army, Eden Food Bank, ShareLife and Hope for Haiti.

St. Rose of Lima

The school community came together to support families in need through The St. Vincent de Paul Society Gift Card Drive at Merciful Redeemer. Staff and the Social Worker donated clothes and toys to Vida Manor. The School Council purchased Gift Cards for local families and this was supported by student activities including Shoe Boxes for Samaritan's Purse. It was truly a faith-filled and giving Christmas.

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School

Girls in Math - We are proud to announce that Sumaiya Ferguson and Jada Gowanlock, Grade 10 students from St. Aloysius Gonzaga, won Gold at the PC4G (Programming Challenge for Girls) on December 8, 2017. PC4G is a National non-profit organization which originated in New Zealand, to introduce girls to computing. Two students from Gonzaga took a risk and registered in the competition held at the Center for Education in Mathematics and Computing at University of Waterloo. Their storyboard won gold amongst 20-25 teams from Southern Ontario.

The Regional competitions for DECA - Of our 32 competitors, 28 are advancing to the Provincials. The University of Waterloo Junior "Beaver" Competition - Congratulations to Victor Zheng for his outstanding result in the University of Waterloo Junior Computing Contest. The University of Waterloo Junior "Beaver" Competition is a problem solving contest with a focus on computational and logical thinking. Questions are inspired by topics in computer science but only require comfort with concepts found in the mathematics curriculum common to all provinces. Of over 6600 Grade 9 and 10 students from around the globe competed and Victor placed in the top 400. Victor will be receiving a certificate of distinction from the university.

Peterborough Classic - Gonzaga Girls hockey team travelled to Peterborough January 10 and 11 to compete in the Peterborough Classic. The girls played some of their best games of the season so far, beating teams that were OFSAA medalists last year. The girls battled hard and worked well as a team. Congratulations to Master Chef Gonzaga 2018 Winners 1st Place - Kristen Robinson - Grade 11 2nd Place - Bartek Puzio - Grade 10 3rd Place - Fatimah Al-Shadeedi Judges: Adrian Andaya - Executive Chef - Scaddabush Restaurants Doug Jones - Chef - Drake Commissary Jason Busing - Gonzaga alumnus, Culinary Student - George Brown College Ryan Busing - Gonzaga alumnus, Culinary Student - George Brown College

Loyola Catholic Secondary School

Students are preparing for the social justice trip to Nicaragua and held a successful fundraiser (\$700) last week . Grade 9 math students participated in EQAO. The Hope group is collecting hats, scarves and mitts to hand out when they visit the streets of

Toronto to do community outreach. Thanks to Father Tim and Father Charles for continuing to celebrate Mass in the chapel.

Trustee L. del Rosario shared:

Our Lady of Good Voyage School

During January and February, Our Lady of Good Voyage students are participating in a Region of Peel Whole School Waste Reduction Campaign facilitated by Ecosource. Through this campaign, we are working together to improve waste sorting at school. In January, Eco Ambassadors are being trained to monitor waste sorting accuracy in their class' garbage and recycling bins.

St. Bernadette School

St. Bernadette welcomes the appointment of L. Ragozzino, the new Acting Principal of St. Bernadette effective February 1, 2018. Ms. Ragozzino brings with her a wealth of experience and knowledge, having an extensive teaching career and experience as a Vice Principal in two different school communities over the past four years. We look forward to having Ms. Ragozzino lead the school community in providing an exceptional Catholic education for our students.

St. David of Wales School

St. David's has been very busy this Advent season. We collected food for our Christmas Food Drive for families who are less fortunate this time of year. We also collected gift cards as part of our "I Can Make a Difference" campaign. Our annual mitten tree continues to be filled with hats, mittens, gloves, scarves and socks to give to those in need this winter to help keep them warm. We are very proud of our staff, students and families, who continue to show their generosity and their support for others.

Fr. Gijo also came to celebrate our Advent Mass on December 13. He spoke to us about the Bible and invited us to read Luke, chapter 1, with our families to help prepare for Jesus' birthday. We are very lucky to have Fr. Gijo come and remind us about the true meaning of Christmas.

St. Gerard School

On December 22, the Reading Club at St. Gerard School enjoyed a celebration of success. Mrs. Spudic, the Teacher Librarian/ESL/Special Education Teacher has employed the help of Grade 8 students as reading coaches for Grade 3 students in need of reading support. Well the results have been amazing! In just 8 weeks, the Grade 3 students have increased multiple reading levels on the PM Benchmark Assessment. The Grade 8 students are wonderful mentors and role models for the Grade 3s and many friendships have formed between both groups of students. And of course, the best part of the celebration was enjoying the hot chocolate and the home-baked goodies provided by Mrs. Spudic.

St. Herbert School

St. Herbert enjoyed a school-wide Movie/Pajama Day experience on the last day before the start of the Christmas holidays. Everyone from our FDK to Grade 8 students and staff

wore their finest pajamas and boarded buses to the Mississauga Cineplex Theatres to enjoy a morning at the movies.

St. Herbert School was fortunate enough to have a project proposal related to FSL student opportunities approved. As a result, we booked a 2-day special experience for our Grade 4 to 8 classes called Chef à l'École immediately following our Christmas break. This event provided an interactive hands-on experience for students to expand their current French vocabulary while preparing recipes and cooking with a story based lesson in French Canadian culture. Parent volunteers, staff and students enjoyed making delicious shortbread cookies from scratch.

St. John XXIII Catholic School

Although it has been cold outdoors, our students have been enjoying the snow making snowmen and snow forts all over the playground. Our students are very excited about the Drumming Clinic that will be in the school later this month.

St. Raymond School

During the month of January, St. Raymond's Intermediate students engaged in volunteer work with three visits to Dr. Simone's mission, Canadian Food for Children. Together with CFFC volunteers, they worked in teams to organize food donations and to pack overseas shipping containers.

St. Valentine School

St. Valentine School came back from Christmas break relaxed and ready to go! Our new portables are all hooked up and running – the students are very excited about their new digs in the luxury cottages! During January, our Eco Team led the way with the waste free lunch challenge and our kindergartens investigated many elements of the environment, including a duck hatchery. Our Rosary Apostolates are continuing their good work promoting prayer to Mary in anticipation of our May celebration. Our grade 2 and 7 students continued in their preparations for sacraments by attending special Masses and our Grade 2 students also celebrated First Reconciliation. Our intermediate basketball teams headed to the ACC to shoot hoops on the big court and our intermediate hockey team came together in our awesome new jerseys! We ended the month with a parent engagement evening looking at creating a safe and positive online presence on social media.

St. Joseph Secondary School

On Friday, January 12, St. Joseph P.A.T.H. (Peer as Teacher Helper) program hosted an open house in the Art Steffler Memorial Library to celebrate and highlight the accomplishments of 28 students who spent the first semester as teaching assistants. The students had their portfolios on display and were available to speak with peers about their many meaningful experiences. This impressive group of Grade 12 students applied to be part of this program in June of 2017 in lieu of a study period in their final year of high school. As part of the program, the students were educated in differentiated instruction and engaging the 21st century learner, among other teaching approaches. Regardless of the future endeavors in education, each P.A.T.H. student

expressed that they are better for having had the experience. We are extremely proud of these students and look forward to their future as leaders in the larger community.

St. Martin Secondary School

The staff and students at St. Martin C.S.S. came back from the Christmas holidays ready to dive right back into the swing of things. Academically, this is a very busy time for our students who are sprinting to the finish line of their semester's academic work. Students are completing their Culminating Activities and studying for final exams at the end of the month. Our Grade 9 students are also completing the Grade 9 EQAO math assessments the week of January 15. We wish all of our students the best of luck as they go into the finals.

St. Joseph Catholic School

At St. Joseph School we are working on "Mindfulness" – our Planning Time Teacher Miss Ohinski is practicing YOGA with all of our classes!

St. Barbara School

During the month of January, St. Barbara staff and students have been enjoying winter activities and welcoming 2018. We have been promoting healthy living with outdoor sports and play, building creative snow forts and snowmen. The collaborative, positive, creative learning has been outdoors and in. Our students and staff have been learning about Indigenous communities, authors and art. We have had Indigenous community partners in to engage our students in the learning process.

St. Gregory School

#BlueMonday is a mental health initiative that focuses on taking the blues on Mondays by spreading random acts of kindness. Youth Faith Ambassadors posted notes around the schools " you are amazing" " smile ... it's contagious" "glad you are here today". Spreading positive messages definitely lifted everyone's spirit. We will continue our efforts to support student and staff wellbeing every Monday.

St. Julia Catholic School

Intramurals for primary and junior students will begin later this month. On January 15th our Youth Education Officer visited several classes to discuss internet safety and youth and the law. On January 18th our Grade 6 students embraced winter and headed outdoors to learn and explore at Silver Creek Outdoor Education Centre. On January 24th the Primary classes are spending the day at the Living Arts Centre. On Thursday January 25th the Tour for Humanity Bus will be visiting St. Julia. During this unique presentation our intermediate students will have the opportunity to learn about some of the human rights issues that have impacted our world in the past, and continue to do so today, and consider how their choices can affect positive change in the world.

St. Veronica School

During the month of January, Father Jim from the school's parish visited our Grade 2 students and discussed the importance of prayer and confessions in order to prepare them for their First Reconciliation. On Thursday January 18th, thirty-four of St. Veronica's Grade 2 students travelled to St. Francis Xavier Parish to receive the

Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Jim, along with several students, led their peers, staff, and parent community that joined us, in prayer before the blessed Sacrament. Our students sang *'Always Ready to Forgive'* together to bring the morning to a close.

St. Marcellinus Secondary School

St. Marcellinus staff and students came together in prayer to celebrate a Memorial Mass on January 15th. Also, Grade 12 drama students performed their final free performance entitled *Seven Seventy Six* on the evening of January 18th. This show is a collective creation of original musical numbers and sketches based on seven hundred and seventy six tips surviving high school. Speaking of study tips, Leadership classes hosted the *Cocoa and Cram* for the Grade 9 students on January 19th. *Cocoa and Cram* is a wonderful Transitions initiative where Marcel Leaders who are senior level mentors meet with Grade 9 students to provide study tips for the upcoming exams. Furthermore, EQAO took place for Grade 9 math students on January 16th and 18th. Lastly, St. Marcellinus donated two wooden crosses to Dufferin-Peel elementary school Our Lady of Good Voyage School and Toronto Catholic High School Father Redmond.

Our SHSM ICT program, led by Rob Carvell, organized an Appathon and Game Maker Competition in partnership with UTM. Over 400 students from throughout our Board participated in a day of designing, coding, testing and presenting a Game or App. Support from our Program Department allowed the event to take place without any cost to students or schools.

Congratulations to:

St. Aloysius Gonzaga for Best Designed App

St. Marcellinus for Most Creative App

St. Marcellinus for Best Technical App

St. Marcellinus for First Place 2D Video Game

Philip Pocock for Second Place 2D Video Game

Fr. Michael Goetz for Third Place 2D Video Game

Fr. Michael Goetz for First Place 3D Video Game

Loyola Catholic for Second Place 3D Video Game

St. Marcellinus for First Place Technical Video Game

St. Marcellinus for Second Place Technical Video Game

St. Marcellinus for Third Place Technical Video Game

Trustee A. da Silva shared:

Cardinal Leger Secondary School celebrates weekly Mass in the Chapel and recently offered a day of confession where over 100 students participated.

St. Mary School

St. Mary is participating in the Cyber Seniors program where a group of local community seniors visit the school and work on learning technology with our students as the teachers.

The school choir sang at the Probus Christmas Lunch at Alderlea House in Brampton. The St. Mary school community celebrated the Annual Christmas Lunch on Thursday December 14th. Over 350 students, staff, and guests gathered together to celebrate with a hot turkey lunch.

Fr. C. W. Sullivan School

Teachers and principal, along with Judy Anderson our Min. of Ed. Student Achievement Officer & Steve Quarartone, our SAT. developed our Theory of Action during our Jan. 11th CSILC Day focusing on using 'Math Talks' school wide. The day was a great success and staff came together to work collaboratively to develop this focus for Term Two.

St. Alphonsa Catholic School

Congratulations to the St. Alphonsa Choir! 230 parents, students and staff from the Alphonsa community trekked down to the ACC January 17th to watch the choir sing the Canadian and American National Anthems in front of 20,000 fans. The students had the chance to rehearse on the court before the game while the Raptors warmed up and of course, the Raptors won the game.

St. Anne School

On January 18 our Grade 6-8 students went skating at Gage Park. The respect and kindness the students displayed to each other in assisting with skate-tying and skating was very encouraging. The students were terrific representatives of Catholic education and St. Anne School while connecting with the community at the park. We hope to do it again soon!

Mrs. Lupusella, Grade 3 teacher, has been running a weekly STEM Club (Science Technology Engineering and Math). The students love the challenges she presents on Mondays at Lunch!

As part of our commitment to overall well-being and inclusivity, two of our teachers, D. DelPilar and N. Maringola are running a Yoga Club on Wednesdays during lunch. Students, staff and parents are enjoying the opportunity.

Trustee D. D'Souza shared:

St. Josephine Bakhita Catholic School

St. Josephine Bakhita Youth Faith Ambassadors are going to Good Shepherd Ministries (Catholic homeless shelter for young men) in Toronto on January 31 to make beds.

St. Lucy Catholic School

During Advent, our newly formed Youth Faith Ambassadors group organized a Food, Hats, and Mitts drive for donation to the Knight's Table in Brampton. Scarves were used to decorate one of our Christmas trees and were donated to the local woman's shelter.

St. Roch Catholic Secondary School

Congratulations to one of our Grade 12 students, Divine Lightbody, who was a contestant on the CTV show "The Launch". Her episode aired on January 17th and the entire St. Roch family is very proud of her accomplishment in being showcased in this prestigious forum for up-and-coming musical talent.

Chaplain P. Marcolla and Social Worker J. King-Watson coordinated our annual Christmas Basket drive. Each Homeroom class donated items for needy families and baskets were delivered to over 40 families prior to the Christmas break.

St. Jean-Marie Vianney Catholic School

Vianney hosted their first Family Advent Night on December 13 complete with family crafts, Santa photos, hot chocolate and treats.

Vianney brought the great Canadian sport of Curling to the students through the Rocks and Rings program.

Our very own Vianney choir provided beautiful music ministry at the CEC mass on January 23.

St. Daniel Comboni Catholic School

St. Daniel Comboni received their new Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board road side sign. The DPCDSB has created a standard sign that will be installed outside of all new DPCDSB schools. St. Daniel Comboni was the first in the school board to receive this sign. Very soon they will receive the LED message board component that will allow them to stream messages to the roadside sign via computer in the school's office. This is a great community communication tool.

St. Rita School

St. Rita School is well known for, "Putting their faith into action". On December 19th students and teachers delivered over 500 shoeboxes to Dr. Simone's Canadian Food for Children warehouse. Volunteers at the warehouse were overwhelmed by the number of shoe boxes donated and offered thanks and blessings on behalf of Dr. Simone and his wife. The shoe boxes were shipped to children and their families in El Salvador, Zambia and Sierra Leone.

St. Ursula School

On December 9, Peel Community Police played a Volleyball game with the teachers and school teams to raise money for families in our community. Over \$500 was raised.

On December 20, the whole school went on a walk through the neighborhood. The "Jingle Walk" was an Eco school initiative.

The school community supported many initiatives such as The Christmas Shoebox campaign, Cram the Cruiser Food Drive, and Toy Mountain.

St. Bonaventure Catholic School

On January 24, the Grade 6 students will be presenting a 'Book Creator' project that they have consolidated themselves. It is an overview of the Residential School system at an elementary school level. They will also explain how exploring the Virtue of Empathy in October led them to discover that part of Gord Downie's legacy was his 'Secret Path' album, and how attached they became to Chanie Wenjack's story.

Because of their desire to advocate for Indigenous Mental Health, they have devised

two fundraiser initiatives, whose combined money will be sent to the Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack Fund at the end of the month.

St. Edmund Campion Secondary School

Entrepreneurs Career Path Coffee Club and Spirit Wear – our Career Path students have been running two in-school businesses in which they are learning hands on job skills as well as increasing their confidence.

15 students and staff travelled to Cambodia on a Social Justice trip from Dec 12th to 19th, to support the local needs of a community. We are so proud of our school community for continuing this great work.

“Peel Youth Leaders of Mental Health” Empowering Students for Mental Health initiative is being supported by our own student leaders in Grade 8. The students attended a conference recently and are a part of a project to bring to light the needs of students in our own school and how we can support our community to have positive mental health.

St. Angela Merici Catholic School

St. Angela Merici Catholic School Council, in collaboration with St. Angela Merici School, are using the ProGrant to promote parent engagement. On Saturday, February 3 from 1:00 to 3:00 the School Council will be hosting a Family Skate Day at the Chris Gibson Recreation Centre at 125 McLaughlin Rd. Brampton. Families are invited to come and skate with their children, promoting community and health and well-being.

St. Stephen School

Make-a-Wish...Our Grade 8 students in Mrs. Minichiello's class would like to extend a big thank you to all those who generously donated to the Make-a-Wish cookie fundraiser. A total of \$250 was raised and donated to the Make-a-Wish foundation on behalf of St. Stephen School. Cookies were sold on the evening of our Christmas Concert.

Cram a Cruiser-On Friday December 12th, our staff and students at St. Stephen played a friendly and high energy volleyball game with our School Resource Officers. In the spirit of giving, our staff, students and families donated to Cram-a-Cruiser in support of Toys for Tots and the Region of Peel Food bank. With the help of our students, our Peel Regional Police collected new and unwrapped toy donations as well as non-perishable food items to support our local food bank. Thank you to all for your generosity and for your gift of giving.

December was an exciting month in the library with our annual Scholastic Book Fair. As a community, we have raised an outstanding \$5550.00. Our school community continues to provide generosity, enthusiasm and a strong commitment towards supporting literacy for our students. Of the \$5550.00, St. Stephen School is able to receive 60% of that total in books and resources. We intend to fill our library shelves with many of the books that were at the Book Fair for students to enjoy, learn and grow. The evening would not have been as successful without the assistance of our many volunteers.

On Sunday December 10, 2017, four St. Stephen students were awarded prizes for their Remembrance-Day-themed posters and poetry at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 609. Congratulations.

Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School

Arts Olympics 2017-SHINE RENEW THE PROMISE - The 6th Annual Arts Olympics took place on Friday, December 8, 2017 at Notre Dame Catholic Secondary School.

The Arts Olympics is an annual event that takes place in the Brampton North-East Family of Schools. It involves leadership students and students with severe learning needs. This event brings together leadership students with planning for independence students and moderate/severe needs students from six schools: Cardinal Newman, St. Agnes, Cardinal Ambrozic, Notre Dame, Holy Name of Mary and St. Thomas Aquinas. It is a day filled with activities that immerse all of the students into the world of the Arts—Dance, Music, Drama, and Visual Arts.

Trustee E. O'Toole shared:

Divine Mercy School

We had a MADD presentation for intermediates in the evening of January 10, 2018. We also had Myblueprint support from St. Aloysius Gonzaga Secondary School for our Grade 8 students in the evening of January 17, 2018. The Rosary Apostolate was held on January 25 2018.

Our Lady of Mercy School

On December 14, 2018 we had our Annual Christmas Market. Our School Council purchased and collected donations for this event which was held in the school gym. Our students participated in the program by purchasing gifts for their family and friends – ranging from \$0.50-\$8.00. Parent volunteers and our Grade 8 students assisted with wrapping the presents.

St. Faustina School

December 21, 2017 was a great day in the St. Josephine Bakhita Parish Community. The Blessing of the Cross Ceremony took place at St. Josephine Bakhita Parish. It was truly a beautiful sight to see. The cross that represents so much to us and our Catholic faith, being blessed by Fr. Mark and raised up and lifted into the roof of the new and beautiful parish of St. Josephine Bakhita. Please enjoy the video created to highlight this special event in our community. <https://splice.gopro.com/v?id=VKNNyx>

St. Joseph (Streetsville) School

At St. Joseph School we are working on “Mindfulness” – our Planning Time Teacher Miss Ohinski is practicing YOGA with all of our classes!

St. Rose of Lima School

The school community came together to support Families in need through The St. Vincent de Paul Society Gift Card Drive at Merciful Redeemer. Staff and Social Worker donated clothes and toys to Vida Manor. The School Council purchased gift cards for

local families and this was supported by Student activities including Shoe Boxes for Samaritan's Purse. It was truly a faith-filled and giving Christmas.

St. Simon Stock School

During Christmas, the Stock community supported three families with "Angel on the Tree" program. We also supported Vita Manor by collecting diapers and wipes for babies. We were overwhelmed with the response. Parents were asked to drop off diapers or wipes when attending our Primary Christmas concert. We had two presentations of the Primary Christmas concert. Both were very well attended.

St. Teresa of Avila School

We had our Virtue Assembly for Grade 7 and 8 and a Trip to Dr. Simone's warehouse. We also had a Youth Education Officer presentation for our Junior grades.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School

Christmas is a time for giving! Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School has a tradition of charity that extends to our greater community. This year, students, staff, parent council, and administration supported 34 families from our own school community and through St. Vincent de Paul. This amounts to just over 300 boxes of non-perishable goods, toys, housewares, toiletries and gift cards that were collected and donated through homeroom classes.

F. Information/Reports From Committees For Receipt

1. Minutes of the Mississauga Public Library Meeting, November 15, 2017

Motion (18-01-53)

Moved By L. del Rosario

Seconded By E. O'Toole

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MISSISSAUGA PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING NOVEMBER 15, 2017, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, December 6, 2017

Motion (18-01-54)

Moved By S. Hobin

Seconded By L. del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, DECEMBER 6, 2017, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G. Information/Reports From Administration For Receipt

H. Trustee, Committee, Administration Reports Requiring Action

1. Motions Recommended by the Faith and Program Committee January 16, 2018

Motion (18-01-55)

Moved By L. del Rosario

Seconded By S. Xaviour

THAT THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE 2018, BE APPROVED.

CHAIR: Luz del Rosario

VICE CHAIR: Shawn Xaviour

RESOURCE STAFF:

Superintendent of Program and Learning Services C. Murphy

Superintendent of Special Education and Learning Services T. Cruz

Superintendent of Well-Being, Experiential Learning and Learning Services S. Steer

TRUSTEES:

Abbruscato, L. del Rosario, D. D'Souza, A. da Silva, F. Di Cosola, S. Hobin,

B. Iannicca, E. O'Toole, M. Pascucci, T. Thomas, S. Xaviour

STUDENT TRUSTEES: (Jan-Aug) S. Cameron, K. Tom (Sept-Dec) TBD

MONITORING: Associate Director, Instructional Services D. Amaral

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The following matters are within the jurisdiction of the Faith and Program Committee and its members:

1. review matters with respect to Program and Learning Services in the elementary and secondary panels of schools and make appropriate recommendations to the board of trustees;
2. review matters with respect to Adult and Continuing Education and Global Learning programs and make appropriate recommendations to the board of trustees;
3. review matters with respect to Special Education and Learning Services including funding, and make appropriate recommendations to the board of trustees;
4. review matters with respect to Well-Being, Experiential Learning and Learning Services and make appropriate recommendations to the board of trustees;
5. review other Faith and Program matters referred by the board of trustees and make appropriate recommendations;
6. provide opportunities for trustees and staff to share and develop our Catholic faith, through retreats and adult faith formation activities;

7. promote dialogue among all the partners in Catholic education and maintain liaison with the Archdiocese/local parishes and schools and make appropriate recommendations regarding mutual concerns; and
8. receive input, through staff as appropriate, from the following:
 - Principals/Vice Principals – Elementary and Secondary
 - Academic Coordinators and Consultants
 - Teachers (O.E.C.T.A.) – Elementary
 - Teachers (O.E.C.T.A.) – Secondary
 - Ontario English Catholic Teachers’ Association Occasional Teachers (OECTA/OT)
 - Support Services Personnel – Psychology, Social Work, Speech/Language/Hearing and Vision, and Child and Youth Worker, Association of Professional Support Services Personnel (APSSP)
 - Educational Resource Workers (ERW), Designated Early Childhood Educators (DECE), Dufferin-Peel Educational Resource Workers Association (DPERWA)
 - Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU)
 - Catholic School Chaplains of Ontario (CSCO)
 - Others, as appropriate

REPORTS TO: The Board of Trustees

MEETINGS: Once a month at the discretion of the Chair

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-56)

Moved By M. Pascucci

Seconded By A. da Silva

TOPIC: SCHOOL BUS DRIVER RETENTION CONCERNS

WHEREAS: The Education Act supports the transportation of students to and from school; and

WHEREAS: School boards across the province have experienced significant school bus delays and cancellations for consecutive years as a result of school bus driver shortages and training/retention issues; and

WHEREAS: The ongoing busing delays and inadequate service levels have impacted the educational experience and well-being of students and their families, and the operations of schools and the board; and

WHEREAS: The Ministry has supported the cost of transportation through the Student Transportation Grant, however, adjustments for inflation and cost pressures are netted against a transportation surplus, if it exists.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Ministry of Education to work with school boards and School Bus Operator Associations to develop a sustainable framework and funding model designed to recruit and retain school bus drivers.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-57)

Moved By F. Di Cosola

Seconded By A. da Silva

TOPIC: TRUSTEE HONORARIA

WHEREAS: Ontario Regulation 357/06, Honoraria for Board Members (the "regulation") under the Broader Public Sector Accountability Act (BPSAA) has restricted the base amount calculation for Trustees for the four (4) year term beginning December 2014; and

WHEREAS: The enrolment amount for a member in each year of the four (4) year term has caused the honoraria calculation to decrease in boards that experienced enrolment decline; and

WHEREAS: The Ministry of Education, together with Trustee Associations, have negotiated salary increases in collective agreements with all other school board employee groups, including the recent executive compensation program for Directors and Supervisory Officers; and

WHEREAS: The proposed executive compensation frameworks were based on an accountability and complexity matrix that grouped boards by level according to core factors and non-core factors that recognize the complexities of larger boards dealing with enrolment, number of schools, staffing levels, overall budget size, geographic complexity and community partnerships; and

WHEREAS: Proposed changes to tax exemptions under federal legislation would impact the total compensation paid to members of provincial and territorial legislative assemblies and to certain municipal office-holders.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Ministry of Education to lift the restrictions on the trustee honoraria calculation for increases and revise the calculation to reflect the core and non-core factors reflected in the executive compensation framework.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-58)

Moved By A. da Silva

Seconded By S. Hobin

TOPIC: QUALIFIED FRENCH TEACHER RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

WHEREAS: School boards across the province are experiencing persistent challenges with the recruitment of qualified French Teachers; and

WHEREAS: Regulation 274 stipulates that all new teachers must be placed on the occasional teachers list for daily supply work as one of the eligibility requirements for full time consideration, limiting school boards' ability to attract permanent teachers who are qualified to teach French; and

WHEREAS: Catholic District school boards have a smaller pool for recruitment of teachers as they must be Catholic and qualified to teach French; and

WHEREAS: Teachers are able to request assignments outside of French (within their areas of qualification) as soon as they are offered permanent placement; and

WHEREAS: All school boards have difficulty in recruiting and retaining teachers who are qualified to teach French in volumes that are consistent with the increasing demand for the expansion of French language programs across the province.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Ministry of Education to review Regulation 274 – Hiring Practices and the additional constraints it places on school boards with regard to the recruitment of teachers who are qualified to teach French, so as to explore regulatory changes with respect to hiring practices in the area of French instruction that would address the shortage of teachers qualified to teach French.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-59)

Moved By S. Hobin

Seconded By D. D'Souza

TOPIC: SUPPORT STAFF RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

WHEREAS: School boards are experiencing persistent challenges with the recruitment and retention of qualified Educational Resource Workers and Designated Early Childhood Educators; and

WHEREAS: Increased absenteeism coupled with inadequate supply coverage within these two occupational groups places students at increased risk and increases health and safety risks for staff; and

WHEREAS: Increased absenteeism within these two occupational groups places increased liability on school boards; and

WHEREAS: School boards are in direct competition for supply staff who are typically employed by more than one employer; and

WHEREAS: The compensation for Educational Resource Workers Designated Early Childhood Educators can vary from school board to school board, increasing the likelihood of “job shopping” among boards.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees’ Association petition the Ministry of Education to review universal standards with regard to qualifications and salary for support staff to equalize the competitive market for school boards.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-60)

Moved By B. Iannicca

Seconded By L. del Rosario

TOPIC: AIR CONDITIONING IN ALL SCHOOLS

WHEREAS: The number of extremely warm weather days experienced throughout the school year is increasing; and

WHEREAS: The heat and humidity experienced during these extreme warm weather days is negatively impacting the learning environments of students and staff; and

WHEREAS: The renewal funding provided to school boards by the Ministry of Education is not adequate to address school boards’ outstanding renewal needs and introduce air conditioning into schools in a timely manner.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees’ Association petition the Ministry of Education to provide adequate funding and develop an implementation strategy to introduce air conditioning into all schools in order to minimize the impact that extreme warm weather days have on the learning environments of students and staff.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-61)

Moved By F. Di Cosola

Seconded By S. Xaviour

THAT THE TWELVE RESOLUTIONS BE SUBMITTED TO OCSTA FOR PRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

CARRIED

2. OCSTA Resolutions

Motion (18-01-62)
Moved By B. Iannicca
Seconded By S. Xaviour

THAT THE REPORT, OCSTA RESOLUTIONS, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-63)
Moved By S. Hobin
Seconded By F. Di Cosola

TOPIC: FUNDING FOR MATHEMATICS COURSES

WHEREAS: Boards endeavor to achieve excellence in mathematics achievement for all students; and

WHEREAS: The current secondary staffing model is centered around an overall student to staff ratio; and

WHEREAS: Some students may benefit from a lower class size to support their mathematics achievement; and

WHEREAS: Under the current staffing model, larger class sizes are the result of creating smaller class sizes in order to support some students' mathematics achievement; and

WHEREAS: To support student mathematics achievement in all pathways, some class sizes would require to be supported at a lower teacher/pupil ratio.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association petition the Ministry of Education to provide funding to support decreased teacher/pupil ratios to allow school boards flexibility to support all mathematics pathways.

CARRIED

3. New Vision for Transportation - Discussion Paper

Superintendent of Planning and Operations, D. Del Bianco reviewed the report, an overview of the Ministry of Education's recently released discussion paper regarding their New Vision for Student Transportation.

The discussion paper outlines the four areas to guide in the development of the policy framework: Responsiveness, Equity, Safety and Well-being and Accountability. The Ministry will be hosting an engagement session with local school boards. To capture Dufferin-Peel's voice the Board research staff will be developing a survey based on questions contained in the discussion paper. Staff would like to survey anyone impacted

by transportation. Results of the survey will be forwarded to the Ministry by the end of March. Superintendent D. Del Bianco responded to questions of clarification.

Trustee A. da Silva requested notes to share with stakeholders advising of the survey.

Trustee F. Di Cosola requested the survey be shared with Traffic Safety Councils.

Motion (18-01-64)

Moved By A. Abbruscato

Seconded By F. Di Cosola

THAT THE REPORT, NEW VISION FOR TRANSPORTATION-DISCUSSION PAPER, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-65)

Moved By A. Abbruscato

Seconded By S. Hobin

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES IDENTIFY TWO TRUSTEES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION'S NEW VISION FOR TRANSPORTATION ENGAGEMENT SESSION.

CARRIED

Motion (18-01-66)

Moved By A. Abbruscato

Seconded By E. O'Toole

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD IDENTIFIES TRUSTEE F. DI COSOLA AND TRUSTEE A. DA SILVA AS PARTICIPANTS AND TRUSTEE S. HOBIN AS AN ALTERNATE IN THE MINISTRY'S NEW VISION TRANSPORTATION ENGAGEMENT SESSION.

CARRIED

I. Notice of Motion

J. Additional Business-Nil

K. Questions Asked of, and by, Board Members

1. Trustee A. da Silva inquired about the procedure for a group to present at the Board. Director of Education, M. Mazzorato advised the group should contact the Board and Committee Information Officer. The presentation is reviewed by Executive Council and shared with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board.
2. Trustee L. del Rosario thanked Superintendent D. Del Bianco for his assistance in resolving a Pupil Accommodation Review issue and Superintendent S. Gos for supporting a French Immersion transfer.

3. Trustee L. del Rosario indicated St. Bernadette parents are requesting French Immersion or Extended French be added to their program. Associate Director D. Amaral advised that during Pupil Accommodation Review (PAR), information received indicated there was not a demand so the program is running out of St. Gregory School. Trustee L. del Rosario inquired if there could be an opportunity to review again.
4. Trustee L. del Rosario inquired if there could be an opportunity to purchase a sound system through the PAR business case funds for St. Bernadette School. Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised the Ministry funded the PAR business case to cover air conditioning, roof repairs and other large ticket items. The school renewal items are priority.
5. Trustee L. del Rosario advised parents are not clear about how to access the online reporting tool. Associate Director Amaral will review.
6. Trustee L. del Rosario inquired about updating the secondary math curriculum. Associate Director Amaral indicated the Ministry is involved in a curriculum refresh and the Board has recently purchased two new resources: Knowledgehook on-line tool and math reassessment resource for Grades 1 through 6.
7. Trustee L. del Rosario indicated parents have been inquiring about mental health training for administrators and staff. Associate Director Amaral advised a report will be presented at the Faith and Program Committee meeting. All secondary schools and most elementary schools will be receiving Applied Suicide Intervention Skills *Training (ASIST)*. The intention is to train all staff in the fall.
8. In response to Trustee L. del Rosario's inquiry about elite sports, Associate Director Amaral advised staff have investigated some elite programs and are looking into possibilities. Concern exists with third party organizations who charge a fee to parents. Staff will update in Issues and Events.
9. Trustee A. da Silva requested an update on realigning or restructuring ward boundaries. Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised staff are awaiting Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) data. It is anticipated the information will be received in February.
10. Trustee B. Iannicca, referenced the Razor Group \$8M Sports Facility and inquired if staff are looking into something similar. Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised that private organizations construct the facility on school property, maintain and rent out for profit. Currently Dufferin-Peel has not engaged with private entities and uses the Request for Proposal (RFP) which allows the board to control the process. The Board has public sector partnerships not private.
11. Trustee S. Hobin requested a transportation update. Superintendent D. Del Bianco advised student transportation is an ongoing challenge, routes are made as efficient as possible. The bus driver shortage is a larger challenge, drivers are on extended leaves, call in sick and bus operators scramble to fill the routes. The operators continue to recruit and hire. Other operators face the same issues. Students with diverse learning needs remain a priority. The RFP will be issued in the next month.
12. Trustee S. Hobin advised that the elite sports programs tend to deplete talent from schools teams.
13. Trustee E. O'Toole noted the great opportunities for students interested in the field of media, inquired about secondary school media equipment not functioning. Staff will review and report at the Faith and Program Committee meeting.
14. Trustee A. da Silva inquired about the date for Public Budget Consultation and the request from parents to make it more interactive or provide on screen images of the person

speaking. Director of Education M. Mazzorato advised Public Budget Consultation Webcast will take place Monday, April 23, 2018 and staff will review the request.

15. Trustee B. Iannicca requested the Board Calendar of Reports Overview be forwarded to trustees electronically.
16. Trustee F. Di Cosola inquired about the recently announced \$220M grant for technology, specifically, coding. Staff will provide information in Issues and Events.
17. Trustee F. Di Cosola inquired if there has been any progress in providing students a platform to share the apps they develop with the school community. Director of Education advised staff will expedite.

L. Declared Interest Items

Trustee A. da Silva assumed the chair.

Motion (18-01-67)

Moved By E. O'Toole

Seconded By D. D'Souza

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 12, 2017 DECLARED INTEREST ITEMS L1 AND L2, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

M. In Camera Session

Motion (18-01-68)

Moved By D. D'Souza

Seconded By L. del Rosario

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

CARRIED

N. Rise and Report

Minutes of the In Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting, December 12, 2017.

Personnel Matters

Motion (18-01-69)

Moved By A. Abbruscato

Seconded By F. Di Cosola

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

February 27, 2018, March 20, 2018, April 24, 2018, May 22, 2018, June 19, 2018

P. Adjournment

Motion (18-01-70)

Moved By L. del Rosario

Seconded By S. Xaviour

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:00 P.M.

CARRIED