



MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 29, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Conference Call

Trustees:	Sharon Hobin	Chair
	Luz del Rosario	Vice Chair
	Brea Corbet	Trustee
	Darryl D'Souza	Trustee
	Anna da Silva	Trustee
	Frank Di Cosola	Trustee
	Bruno Iannicca	Trustee
	Mario Pascucci	Trustee
	Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
	Thomas Thomas	Trustee
	Shawn Xaviour	Trustee
	Leroy Onuoha	Student Trustee
	Dea Sokoli	Student Trustee
Staff:	Marianne Mazzorato, Ed.D.	Director of Education, Secretary to the Board
	David Amaral	Associate Director, Instructional Services
	Daniel Del Bianco	Associate Director, Corporate Services
	Julie Cherepacha	Executive Superintendent, Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
	Deborah Finegan-Downey	Superintendent, Special Education and Learning Services
	Silvana Gos	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Brian Hester	Superintendent, Financial Services
	Jodi Kuran	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Cairine MacDonald	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Carmel Murphy	Superintendent, Program and Learning Services
	Lucy Papaloni	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Tammy-Lynne Peel	Superintendent, Family of Schools
	Stephanie Strong	Superintendent, Human Resources and Employee Relations
	Mathew Thomas	Superintendent, Planning and Operations
	Max Vecchiarino	Superintendent, Equity, Policy, Strategy, Research
	Margaret Beck	Counsel
	Richard Smith	Chief Information Officer
	Bruce Campbell	General Manager, Communications and Community Relations
	Theresa Davis	General Manager, Human Resources
	Christiane Kyte	General Manager, Clinical Services and Special Education
	Richard Moriah	General Manager, Physical Plant Facilities
Recorder:	Cindy Child	Board and Committee Information Officer

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance
Chair Sharon Hobin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Land Acknowledgment - Chair Sharon Hobin
3. National Anthem
The Chair acknowledged and thanked Martina Ortiz-Luis, Kibwe Thomas and Sole Power Productions for permission to use their recorded version of the national anthem.
4. Opening Prayer
Chair Sharon Hobin led the Opening Prayer. Let us keep the people of Ukraine in our prayers, especially the children.

Student Trustee Leroy Onuoha joined the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion 691 (22-03-29)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE ADDITION OF H 4 TO THE AGENDA.

CARRIED

Motion 692 (22-03-29)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

- a. Approval of Calendar Items - Nil

6. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda items M 5 a:

1. Trustee Sharon Hobin —family members belong to OECTA
2. Trustee Mario Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA
3. Trustee Bruno Iannicca—family members belong to OECTA and CUPE 2026
4. Trustee Stefano Pascucci—family member belongs to OECTA

Motion 693 (22-03-29)

Moved by Thomas Thomas

Seconded by Luz del Rosario

THAT THE DECLARED INTEREST ITEM BE MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM M 9.

CARRIED

7. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, February 22, 2022

Motion 694 (22-03-29)
Moved by Thomas Thomas
Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING, FEBRUARY 22, 2022, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

- a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Attached.
- 8. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, March 8, 2022

Motion 695 (22-03-29)
Moved by Darryl D'Souza
Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, MARCH 8, 2022, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

- a. Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

B. Pastor's Remarks: Video Presentation by Monsignor Shiels - Lent

The Chair asked that Director Mazzorato thank Monsignor Shiels for his inspiring words.

Motion 696 (22-03-29)
Moved by Shawn Xaviour
Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE PASTOR'S REMARKS, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

C. Awards and Presentations – Nil

D. Delegations - Nil

E. Updates/Information/Reports from Trustees for Receipt

1. Regular Reports

- a. Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Report

Trustee Luz del Rosario reminded trustees to complete their proxy for the OCSTA Annual General Meeting if they are unable to attend.

Motion 697 (22-03-29)
Moved by Anna da Silva
Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE VERBAL REPORT, ONTARIO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

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

This March students enjoyed their week off, and we began our season of Lent through Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday celebrations.

We held our March senate meeting on March 24 and were able to discuss new updates including the opening of DPCDSB's virtual school, where senators made comments and inquiries, we gave updates to the senate on topics including working groups, proposals in the pipeline, and other senate activities. We are pleased to announce the change in name of the *Online Reporting Tool* along with other updates, which the social justice working group played a major role in. These updates will serve to make the tool accessible and remove the stigma associated with its use. The soft roll-out for the updated tool will be in May. We had a working period to identify educational resources that will support anti-racism work in DPCDSB. We are also incredibly happy to announce possible in-person senate meetings for the months of May and June. With just months away from ending the school year, the senate is working hard to continue advocating for and supporting students across the board.

Due to the updated protocol put in place on March 21, many senators reported the full go-ahead with graduation and prom activities. Though the mask mandate has been lifted, the number of students that have chosen to go maskless seems to heavily depend on the size of the school. Schools with smaller populations have a higher percentage of maskless students than those in larger schools. Students seem to have few concerns about cafeterias opening, as many schools have not done so, but we await these changes in the near future.

In Support of Ukraine, schools across DPCDSB have held fundraisers, informational sessions, and vigils. DPCDSB has a large and proud Ukrainian diaspora, and although our efforts may do little to impact the current situation, our hearts, prayers and thoughts are with those families dealing with the terrible effects of this invasion.

As we make our way into April, we are looking forward to our trip to Ottawa with other trustees for OCSTA's Annual General Meeting. We are honored to participate in this great opportunity and be able to learn more about our Catholic Education. We are particularly eager to see the OCSTA election process in action.

1. Trustee Stefano Pascucci congratulated both Student Trustees Leroy Onuoha (North) and Dea Sokoli (South) on their recent re-election to their positions and wished them continued success.

Motion 698 (22-03-29)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE VERBAL STUDENT VOICE REPORT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

3. Good News Items

Trustee Luz del Rosario

Wards 6 & 11 Mississauga

ROPPSAA / Region of Peel Secondary School Athletic Association - Congratulations to the St. Martin Catholic Secondary School (CSS) Girls' Hockey team for their *Gold* win, and to the St. Martin (CSS) Boys' Hockey team for winning *Silver*.

I would also like to thank and congratulate all the schools for their participation on March 21 for World Down Syndrome Day.

Thank you to the staff and students of St. Marcellinus CSS for their hard work and generosity in supporting those in need in Ukraine by collecting over \$2,000, hundreds of toiletries, and clothing. Many schools are doing similar outreach for the people of Ukraine, and it is very appreciated. Thank you to Deacon Ray Frendo and the secondary chaplains for putting together the liturgy for March 25 *World Day of Peace*. I would also like to thank General Manager Campbell and his Communications Team for their work at the Catholic Education Centre during the liturgy and the raising of the Ukrainian flag. It was a pleasure to listen to students from St. Sophia CES sing O Canada and the national anthem of Ukraine as the Ukrainian flag was raised.

Trustee Bruno Iannicca

Ward 7 Mississauga

As mentioned previously, it is wonderful that schools are collecting essential goods that the evacuees of Ukraine need. St. Timothy CES has organized a container that will go directly to a port in Poland to assist the people of Ukraine. This is an opportunity to help directly. The people are in need of shoes, summer clothing, and toys for children. Perhaps through General Manager Campbell and Superintendent MacDonald we can coordinate the efforts of goods collected and help fill this container.

Motion 699 (22-03-29)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE GOOD NEWS REPORT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

F. Updates/Information/Reports from Committees for Receipt

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting, February 1, 2022

Motion 700 (22-03-29)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Mario Pascucci

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 1, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Faith and Program Committee Meeting, February 8, 2022

Motion 701 (22-03-29)

Moved by Shawn Xaviour

Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FAITH AND PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 8, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

3. Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting, February 9, 2022

Motion 702 (22-03-29)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca

Seconded by Luz del Rosario

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING, FEBRUARY 9, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting, February 3, 2022

Motion 703 (22-03-29)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, FEBRUARY 3, 2022, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

5. Minutes of the Board By-Law/Policies Review Committee Meeting, November 23, 2021

Motion 704 (22-03-29)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Anna da Silva

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD BY-LAW/POLICIES REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING, NOVEMBER 23, 2021, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

6. Minutes of the City of Mississauga Traffic Safety Council Meeting, November 24, 2021

Motion 705 (22-03-29)

Moved by Thomas Thomas

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 24, 2021, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

G. Updates/Information/Reports from Administration for Receipt

1. Retirement - M. MacDonald, Principal

Director Mazzorato paid tribute to Mike MacDonald who has been a committed Catholic educator for 30 years. He began his teaching career at St. Jerome CES as a Grade 7/8

teacher then moved to Bishop Scalabrini CES, then Sts. Peter and Paul CES and then on to Holy Spirit CES. In 2007, Mike was appointed vice-principal at both Our Lady of Mercy CES and St. Edith Stein CES. He then went on to St. Thomas More as vice-principal for an additional year. In 2012, Mike was appointed principal of St. Joseph CES Brampton. He made it his mission to call each person by name. He spent countless hours getting to know the children and their interests and the community in which he served. In 2018, he was appointed principal of Our Lady of Peace CES and has spent the last four years building community and getting to know all the students at the school by name. He will be greatly missed by the students, staff, and community members.

1. Trustee Anna da Silva: Congratulations to Mike on a wonderful job working with students and their families. He will be missed. We appreciate all he has done for his schools and DPCDSB.

Motion 706 (22-03-29)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Shawn Xaviour

THAT THE RETIREMENT OF PRINCIPAL MIKE MACDONALD, BE RECEIVED, WITH REGRET.

CARRIED

2. Policy 6.54: Communicable, Infectious or Contagious Diseases and the Health and Safety of Staff and Students

Counsel Beck summarized the report.

Motion 707 (22-03-29)

Moved by Brea Corbet

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, *POLICY 6.54: COMMUNICABLE, INFECTIOUS OR CONTAGIOUS DISEASES AND THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STAFF AND STUDENTS*, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

H. Trustee/Committee/Administration Reports Requiring Action

1. Motion Recommended by the Administration and Finance Committee, March 1, 2022

Motion 708 (22-03-29)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE 11 DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES, REMAIN AS STATUS QUO, THAT HAVE BEEN DETERMINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ONTARIO REGULATION 412/00 OF THE EDUCATION ACT.

CARRIED

2. Motion Recommended by the Faith and Program Committee, March 8, 2022

Motion 709 (22-03-29)

Moved by Stefano Pascucci

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR - REVISED FOR SUBMISSION TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION.

CARRIED

3. Motion Recommended by the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils, February 3, 2022

Motion 710 (22-03-29)

Moved by Mario Pascucci

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS - 2022.

CARRIED

4. Motion Recommended by the Audit Committee, March 29, 2022

Motion 711 (22-03-29)

Moved by Anna da Silva

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EXTEND THE APPOINTMENT OF BDO CANADA, LLP, CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS, AS EXTERNAL AUDITORS TO DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD FOR THE TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING WITH THE AUGUST 31, 2023 YEAREND AUDIT.

CARRIED

I. Notices of Motion - Nil

J. Additional Business - Nil

K. Questions Asked of, and by, Trustees

1. Trustee Mario Pascucci: What is the direction provided to families regarding how they are able to pay for student activities such as lunches or fieldtrips?

Director Mazzorato: As much as possible we encourage schools to go cashless, and we encourage families to use the cashless system of paying for students' fees through School.cashnet. However, we do accept cash as there may be extenuating circumstances.

Executive Superintendent Cherepacha: Our preference is online payment. We do recognize that there may be extenuating circumstances for cash payment, however our messaging is that we are moving toward a cashless system.

2. Trustee Mario Pascucci: There is an increase in coyotes in Mississauga, what are we doing regarding student safety and coyotes?

Superintendent Thomas: We are aware through principals and superintendents of coyote sightings and have been in contact with the City of Mississauga. They have excellent material on safety which we will distribute through General Manager Campbell. At the school level we are reviewing putting up temporary fencing and if necessary, students will be kept in during recess if there is a coyote sighting.

3. Trustee Mario Pascucci: What is the status of mask wearing?

Director Mazzorato: The restriction has been lifted. We are reinforcing that mask wearing is a personal preference.

4. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Pre-COVID we discussed the possibility of planting more trees and using our secondary schools to grow seedlings and/or saplings, could staff provide an update?

Superintendent Thomas: We are reaching out to community partners such as the regional conservation authorities and hope to resume plans that were in talks prior to the pandemic. We will provide an update as soon as possible.

Director Mazzorato: We will review the possibility of using the secondary schools to grow seedlings and or saplings.

5. Trustee Stefano Pascucci: What is the process if a school would like to build planter boxes?

Director Mazzorato: We would encourage schools to contact the Plant and Operations Department to ensure plans are according to safety and accessibility guidelines.

6. Trustee Shawn Xaviour: Now that in-person events have begun do we have a return date for in-person Board and Committee meetings?

Director Mazzorato: Our direction from the Ministry is that we have until November 2022 to resume in-person meetings. We have been working on enhancements to the board room.

Associate Director Del Bianco: The HVAC and ventilation system is being upgraded, as well the audio visual and tech equipment is being upgraded so we can begin broadcasting and incorporate ZOOM seamlessly while conducting in-person meetings.

7. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: I understand some of the work is complete?

Associate Director Del Bianco: Yes, however the funding for the HVAC and air conditioning has just been received, consequently that work is scheduled for the fall.

8. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Is it possible for staff to provide percentages of students wearing masks in schools?

Director Mazzorato: Presently we have only anecdotal information. We will review with administrators and respond with general figures in next week's Issues and Events.

9. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: The City of Mississauga has committed to planting a large number of trees, provided that groups/schools do the labor. Perhaps we can look into this. Also, there was a promise from the federal government regarding funding for tree planting. Is staff able to reach out to other school boards to see what funding is available?

Director Mazzorato: We will look into available funding and provide information.

10. Trustee Bruno Iannicca: Thank you to Associate Director Amaral and Superintendent Finegan-Downey who presented to the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) the programs available for students with diverse learning abilities. SEAC members asked if it is possible to review this information and add more to the curriculum for these learners?

Director Mazzorato: We can take that back for review.

11. Trustee Brea Corbet: In response to the Communication Information Bulletin regarding the remote-only learning options for the 2022-2023 school year, the school board has asked families to confirm their interest by April 8. Parents/guardians have expressed that it is too early to decide on a learning mode at this time, given that it is the end of March and difficult to predict the state of the pandemic in the next six months. What can be shared with families about the early timeline?

Director Mazzorato: Staffing is done in the spring. We do minor reorganization in September for elementary classes. During the pandemic we had to be flexible with the many restrictions mandated by the Ministry and the public health authorities. Staff was called in during the summer to do the reorganization, at a cost to DPCDSB. The restrictions have been lifted; however, we have been mandated to have remote learning for 2022-2023. If there is another resurgence or added restrictions imposed by the Ministry, we would have to accommodate changes.

12. Trustee Brea Corbet: May I ask the rationale regarding not notifying parents/guardians when there is a staff or student who tests positive for COVID-19? Is it possible to begin again reporting known cases of COVID-19?

Director Mazzorato: As the restrictions were lifted and the Ministry did not require reporting we complied with the process and stopped reporting. We can take your suggestion to report positive COVID-19 cases back for review.

Trustee Sharon Hobin passed the chair to Trustee Luz del Rosario.

13. Trustee Sharon Hobin: What are we doing with Chromebooks that are no longer working?

Associate Director Del Bianco: The additional Chromebooks that were provided to students were funded centrally. The devices last approximately five years and then they become a security liability. ICT is preparing an inventory for each school so that schools can begin planning for the end of life of their devices. Each year schools do need to replenish some of the inventory. ICT is collaborating with schools to establish a model for a sustainable inventory.

14. Trustee Sharon Hobin: Has that long-term planning been provided to principals? What is the cost of a Chromebook?

Chief Information Officer Smith: ICT is collaborating with each principal on the school's sustainable inventory model. Chromebooks cost between \$300 and \$400 depending on intended usage.

15. Trustee Sharon Hobin: Regarding the Ministry's HVAC announcement, are we included?

Superintendent Thomas: The Ministry has confirmed that we will receive approximately 800 HEPA filter units.

16. Trustee Sharon Hobin: In total how many HEPA filters have we received? How are we prioritizing placement of the filters?

Superintendent Thomas: We will have received approximately 2700 HEPA filters. The Facilities team has reviewed the Schools Assessment of recirculated air and have focused on older elementary schools and portable classrooms, as well they have reviewed learning spaces such as the Planning for Independence Program (PIP) classrooms.

17. Trustee Sharon Hobin: I agree with Trustee Brea Corbet and if possible, would like to see DPCDSB communicate positive COVID-19 cases. Our parent/guardian community would really appreciate information as they are receiving little information from the government on COVID-19 cases and there is still concern.

L. Declared Interest Items - Nil

M. In Camera Session

Trustee Sharon Hobin resumed the chair.

Motion 712 (22-03-29)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN CAMERA AND AN IN CAMERA PRIVATE SESSION - DIRECTOR AND TRUSTEES ONLY, IN RESPECT OF APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES, WITH REFERENCE TO THE CRITERIA SET OUT ABOVE.

CARRIED

N. Report from In Camera

Motion 713 (22-03-29)

Moved by Darryl D'Souza

Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECEIVE THE CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE IN CAMERA AND IN CAMERA PRIVATE SESSION – DIRECTOR AND TRUSTEES ONLY, APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA MINUTES, ADMISSIONS AND A PERSONNEL MATTER, AND RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET OUT THEREIN.

CARRIED

O. Future Meetings

April 26, 2022

May 31, 2022

June 21, 2022

P. Adjournment

Motion 714 (22-03-29)

Moved by Bruno Iannicca
Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 10:46 P.M.

CARRIED