



## **Special Board of Trustees' Board Meeting**

A public meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 1st floor Board Room, Catholic Education Centre, 35 Weber Street, Kitchener.

### **Trustees Present:**

Linda Cuff (Vice-Chair), Kathy Doherty-Masters, Winston Francis\*, David Guerin, Marisa Phillips, Robert Sikora (Chair), Conrad Stanley, Tracey Weiler

\*- attended virtually via Teams

### **Student Trustees Present:**

Allison-Hannah Berwick, Matteo Leone

### **Administrative Officials Present:**

Tyrone Dowling, Gerald Foran, Shesh Maharaj, Paul Mendonça, Judy Merkel, Kerry Pomfret, Jennifer Ritsma, Annalisa Varano

### **Special Resources For The Meeting:**

**Regrets:** Renee Kraft

### **Recorder:**

Stephanie Medeiros, Executive Administrative Assistant

NOTE ON VOTING: Under Board by-law 4.7 all Board decisions made by consensus are deemed the equivalent of a unanimous vote. A consensus decision is therefore deemed to be a vote of 9-0. Under Board by-law 4.11 every Trustee "shall vote on all questions on which the Trustee is entitled to vote" and abstentions are not permitted.

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## **1. Call to Order:**

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

### **1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials**

Deferred to Committee of the Whole

### **1.2 Territorial Acknowledgment**

Deferred to Committee of the Whole

### **1.3 Approval of Agenda**

Chair Sikora motioned for approval of the agenda with the following amendment:

- Amendment to remove 'infrastructure' from the motion in item 1.5 Items for Action

**2024-90-- It was moved by Trustee Cuff and seconded by Trustee Stanley:**

**THAT the agenda for Monday, September 9, 2024, be now approved, as amended.**

**--- Carried by consensus**

#### **1.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

1.4.1 From the current meeting – Statement from Trustee Doherty-Masters declaring pecuniary interest on Item 1.5 Items for Action arising from the In Camera meeting of September 9, 2024, regarding HRS matters. Trustee Doherty-Masters excused herself from the room during the approval of the motion in item 1.5. She re-entered the room at Item 5.1.

1.4.2 From a previous public or in-camera meeting – NIL

#### **1.5 Items for Action:**

Items for action arising from the In Camera meeting of September 9, 2024, regarding HRS matters.

Chair Sikora requested a mover and seconder to approve the items for action of the In Camera meeting.

**2024-91-- It was moved by Trustee Weiler and seconded by Trustee Cuff:**

**THAT the items for action arising from the In Camera meeting of Monday, September 9, 2024, regarding HRS matters be now approved.**

---Carried by consensus

2. **Consent Agenda: Director of Education** (e.g. day-to-day operational matters from the Ministry of Education that the board is required to do)
3. **Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees** (Minutes of meetings)

#### **4. Delegations**

#### **5. Advice from the CEO**

##### **5.1 Capital Priorities Submission**

Superintendent Maharaj introduced Jennifer Passey, Manager of Planning, to deliver the Capital Priorities Submission presentation. The presentation outlined the proposed submissions for schools requiring expansions and the construction of a new school. Ms. Passey detailed the specific changes at each school, highlighting the anticipated increase in enrollment. Trustees posed clarifying questions.

**2024-92-- It was moved by Trustee Doherty-Masters and seconded by Trustee Cuff:**

**That staff be directed to submit Capital Priorities program requests for funding in the following order:**

1. **St. Boniface CES Addition**
2. **St. Gregory CES Addition**
3. **St. Aloysius CES Addition**
4. **Monsignor Doyle CSS Addition**
5. **St. Bernadette CES Reconstruction**
6. **New North Cambridge CES**
7. **St. David CSS Addition**
8. **St. Paul CES Addition**
9. **St. Mark CES Addition**

---Carried by consensus

6. **Board Education** (at the request of the Board)

7. **Reports From Board Committees/Task Forces**

8. **Board Education** (at the request of the Board)

9. **Policy Discussion**

**10. Assurance of Successful Board Performance**

**11. Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance**

**12. Potential Agenda Items**

**13. Announcements**

**13.1 Upcoming Meetings/Events:** N/A

**13.2 Pending Items:** N/A

**13.3 Pending Items for OCSTA Consideration:** N/A

**14. Items for the Next Meeting Agenda**

**15. Adjournment – Confirm decisions made tonight.**

**15.1** The Recording Secretary confirmed decisions made tonight.


**16. Closing Prayer**

**17. Motion to Adjourn**

**2024-93-- It was moved by Trustee Guerin and seconded by Trustee Stanley:**

**THAT the meeting be now adjourned. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 6:43 p.m.**

**--- Carried by consensus**

  
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Chair of the Board

  
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Secretary