



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

A public meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at 1st floor Board Room, Catholic Education Centre, 35 Weber Street W, Kitchener.

**Trustees Present:**

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

\*-attended virtually via Teams

**Student Trustees Present:**

Rebecca Girolametto

**Administrative Officials Present:**

Patrick Eby, Gerald Foran, Shesh Maharaj, Paul Mendonça, Judy Merkel, Kerry Pomfret, Jennifer Ritsma, Annalisa Varano

**Special Resources For The Meeting:**

**Regrets:** Jace Krysko

**Recorder:**

Stephanie Medeiros, Executive Administrative Assistant

NOTE ON VOTING: Under Board by-law 4.7, when a decision is reached by consensus, the minutes of the Meeting shall indicate a decision by consensus with the notation in the minutes that consensus means the decision was supported by all Trustees present and eligible to vote on a matter. Under Board by-law 4.11 Whenever a vote is required, every Trustee present when a vote is taken, including the Chair but excluding any Trustee who has declared a direct or indirect pecuniary interest as required by the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, 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 called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Trustee Guerin led opening prayer.

#### **1.2 Territorial Acknowledgment**

Territorial Acknowledgment declared by Chair Kraft.

#### **1.3 Approval of Agenda**

Chair Kraft motioned for approval of the agenda with the following amendments:

**2026-68-- It was moved by Trustee Sikora and seconded by Trustee Francis:**

**THAT the agenda for Wednesday, June 17, 2026, be now approved.**

**--- Carried by consensus**

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

1.4.1 From the current meeting – NIL

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

1.5 Items for Action:

**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 Proposed 2026-2027 School Year Budget Presentation**

Director Varano introduced a balanced 2026-2027 School Year Budget for Trustee approval on Monday, June 22, 2026. Laura Isaac, Senior Manager of Financial Services and Renee King, Manager of Budget and Financial Reporting, presented various budget-related topics including a financial overview, budget summaries and fund reports. Each Superintendent contributed insights pertaining to the specific areas related to their individual portfolio.

Trustees asked clarifying questions and provided comments. Additionally, questions and further inquiries from the Trustees will be accepted by email to [budget@wcdsb.ca](mailto:budget@wcdsb.ca).

**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:**

Chair Kraft reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

**13.2 Pending Items:** N/A

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

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

14.1 Chair Kraft reviewed upcoming agenda items.

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

15.1 The Recording Secretary confirmed decisions made tonight.

**16. Closing Prayer**

**17. Motion to Adjourn**

**2026-69-- It was moved by Trustee Sikora and seconded by Trustee Weiler:**

**THAT the meeting be now adjourned. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:41 p.m.**



Chair of the Board



Secretary