MINUTES OF INAUGURAL BOARD MEETING

Date: December 2, 2014
Time: 7:30 pm
Location: Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School
1145 Bronte Street South, Milton ON

Members Present
A. Danko
A. Iantomasi
H. Karabela
P. Marai
J. Michael
D. Rabenda
J. M. Rowe
A. Quinn
S. Trites

Student Trustees
J. Barron
C. Kemeni
J. Louzado

Staff Present
P. Dawson, Director of Education and Secretary to the Board
B. Browne
C. Cipriano
G. Corbacio
C. McGillicuddy
P. McMahon
L. Naar
J. Nigro
J. O'Harra
T. Overholt
T. Pinelli

Others Present
The Most Reverend Bishop D. Miehm, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton
Rev. J. Petrie, Pastor, St. Benedict Parish
Rev. P. Tuyen Nguyen, Pastor, Holy Rosary Church
The Honorable Mr. Justice J. M. Fragomeni
L. Stocco, Administrator, Strategic Communications
A. Swinden, Communications Officer, Strategic Communications
C. Jewell, Administrator, EMCLSS

Recording Secretary: Special Guests

H. Murphy

The Most Reverend Daniel Miehm, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton con-celebrated Mass with Father Jim Petrie, Pastor, St Benedict Church and Father Peter Tuyen Nguyen, Pastor, Holy Rosary Church at 6:30 p.m. for Trustees-elect, student trustees, their families and senior staff.

1. **Entry Procession (7:30 p.m.)**
   The new Board members processed into the meeting room.
2. **Opening Prayer and Welcoming Remarks:** P. Dawson, Secretary of the Board

P. Dawson, Director of Education and Secretary to the Board, assumed the position of Chair and opened the meeting with a prayer.

In her opening remarks, the Director welcomed Bishop Miehm, and the Honourable Mr. Justice J. M. Fragomeni, newly elected trustees, student trustees, special guests and members of the audience to the Inaugural Meeting of the Board of Trustees’ December 2014 – 2018 term of office.

O’Canada, led by K. Caruano-Darling was sung by the Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School Choir.

3. **Reading of Clerk’s Notices:** P. Dawson, Secretary to the Board

P. Dawson publicly acknowledged receipt from each Municipal Clerk in the Region of Halton, of written confirmation attesting to the election for each of the trustees-elect to the Halton Catholic District School Board.

4. **Remarks and Commissioning of Trustees - Bishop D. Miehm**

Bishop Miehm blessed the bibles and distributed them to trustees and student trustees to be used in the Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance ceremony.

Following his remarks, Bishop Miehm invited trustees to make their pledge. He conducted the Commissioning Services with the participation of trustees.

5. **Declaration of Oath of Allegiance and Declaration of Office - The Honorable Mr. Justice J. M. Fragomeni**

P. Dawson informed the Board that each trustee is obliged under the Education Act to make a Declaration of Office and to take an Oath of Allegiance before the Secretary of the Board or before the person so authorized. She invited the Honourable Mr. Justice J. M. Fragomeni to administer the Oath of Allegiance and the Declaration of Office to trustees.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Fragomeni administered the Oath of Allegiance and the Declaration of Office to trustees collectively. Trustees and Justice J. M. Fragomeni duly signed the required Declaration and Oath of Allegiance.

6. **Declaration of Board as Legally Constituted, P. Dawson, Secretary to the Board**

The Secretary of the Board, P. Dawson declared the Halton Catholic District School Board legally constituted with ensuing authority under the Education Act. She congratulated trustees on their election to the Board and assured them of her personal commitment as well as that of senior staff to support and to work collaboratively with trustees in carrying out their role to provide the best possible Catholic Education to all students under the jurisdiction of the Board.
7. **Election / Installation / Remarks of Board Chair 2014 - 2015**

P. Dawson called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board.

J. Michael was nominated by P. Marai, seconded by A. Danko. Trustee Michael accepted the nomination. D. Rabenda was nominated by A. Iantomasi, seconded by J.M. Rowe. Trustee Rabenda accepted the nomination.

In accepting the nomination, J. Michael and D. Rabenda addressed the meeting, offered personal comments and briefly shared their respective vision and goals.

The Secretary to the Board called for a vote. Ballots were distributed, collected and scrutinized. J. Michael was declared Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board for 2014-2015.

#1/15

Moved by: P. Marai
Seconded by: A. Danko

**RESOLVED,** that J. Michael be appointed as Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board for the period December 2014 to the first Board Meeting in December 2015. **CARRIED**

8. **Election / Installation / Remarks of Board Vice-Chair 2014 - 2015**

P. Dawson called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board.

A. Quinn was nominated by A. Danko, seconded by S. Trites. Trustee Quinn accepted the nomination. A. Iantomasi was nominated by J.M. Rowe, seconded by D. Rabenda. Trustee Iantomasi accepted the nomination.

In accepting the nomination, A. Quinn and A. Iantomasi addressed the meeting, offered personal comments and briefly shared their respective vision and goals.

The Secretary to the Board called for a vote. Ballots were distributed, collected and scrutinized. A. Iantomasi was declared Vice-Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board for 2014-2015.

#2/15

Moved by: J.M. Rowe
Seconded by: D. Rabenda

**RESOLVED,** that Arlene Iantomasi be appointed Vice-Chair of the Halton Catholic District School Board for the period December 2014 to the first Board Meeting in December 2015.
The Secretary to the Board recommended a motion to destroy ballots.

#3/15
Moved by:  D. Rabenda
Seconded by:  P. Marai
RESOLVED, that the ballots be destroyed.

9. Resolutions re:
J. Michael assumed the position of Chair and continued the meeting.

9.1. Cheque Signing Authorities, Borrowing Resolution and Investing
#4/15
Moved by:  P. Marai
Seconded by:  J.M. Rowe
RESOLVED, that the cheque signatories identified in Appendix 'B' to this report be authorized to sign for an on behalf of the Board for each account as indicated, and

RESOLVED, that the Halton Catholic District School Board reafﬁrm Board resolution #57/14 with respect to By-law No. 2014-F05 to authorize borrowing during any ﬁscal year up to $100 million, until provincial grants, municipal taxes and other revenues are received as contained in Appendix 'E' to this report.

CARRIED

9.2. Board Policies of Former Board
#5/15
Moved by:  A. lantomasi
Seconded by:  D. Rabenda
WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Halton Catholic District School Board to set policies with regard to the day-to-day operations of its affairs, and

WHEREAS, the Board has from time to time set such policies as it deemed expedient to do so,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that all such policies, which have been set by the Board in the past are hereby approved as the Ofﬁcial Policies and Procedures of this Board until such time as they are varied by the Board.

CARRIED

9.3. Board's By-Laws
#6/15
Moved by:  D. Rabenda
Seconded by:  J.M. Rowe
RESOLVED, that the by-laws be adopted as presented.

CARRIED
10. **Expressions of Appreciation - Chair**
   On behalf of the Board, the Chair thanked special guests and extended expressions of appreciation to Bishop D. Miehm and the Honorable Mr. Justice Fragomeni.

11. **Closing Prayer and Adjournment**
    P Dawson thanked all in attendance and proposed adjournment of the meeting closing the meeting with a prayer.

    #7/15
    Moved by:  D. Rabenda
    Seconded by:  J.M. Rowe
    **RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.**

    The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Secretary of the Board

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Chair