

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Date: January 16, 2018  
Time: 7:30 pm  
Location: Catholic Education Centre  
802 Drury Lane, Burlington, ON

Members Present: A. Danko D. Rabenda, Chair of the Board  
A. Iantomasi J.M. Rowe  
H. Karabela A. Quinn  
P. Marai, Vice-Chair of the Board S. Trites  
J. Michael

Student Trustees: C. Atrach I. Schwecht  
A. Barbul

Senior Staff: B. Browne R. Negoï  
C. Cipriano J. O'Hara  
P. Dawson, Secretary of the Board T. Overholt  
L. Naar T. Pinelli  
C. McGillicuddy A. Prkacin  
R. Merrick

Also Present: L. Collimore, Chief Officer, Research and Development  
T. Hambly, Vice-President, Halton OECTA Elementary  
N. March, President, Halton OECTA Elementary  
A. Swinden, Administrator, Strategic Communications  
F. Thibeault, Administrator, Planning Services

Recording Secretary: R. Di Pietro

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### 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order.

#### 1.1 Opening Prayer, National Anthem and Oath of Citizenship (I. Schwecht)

The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. with a prayer led by I. Schwecht.

#### 1.2 Motions Adopted In-Camera

A motion regarding a Request for Proposal was adopted in-camera.

##### Retirement Notice

That the Halton Catholic District School Board accept with regret the retirement of Paula A. Dawson, Director of Education and Secretary to the Board, effective, August 31, 2018.

#### 1.3 Information Received In-Camera

The following information was received in-camera:

ACTING ELEMENTARY VICE PRINCIPAL AT ST. ANNE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Tom Durran appointed as Acting Elementary Vice Principal at St. Anne effective January 8, 2018 to January 23, 2018. John Guzzo appointed as Acting Elementary Vice Principal at St. Anne effective January 23, 2018 with an end date to be determined.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL MILTON #8 CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Erin Sweeney-Hurd appointed as Principal, Milton #8 Elementary School effective May 7, 2018.

RETIREMENTS

Antonella Babic and Christopher Hundt retiring June 30, 2018. Nicholas Piccoli retiring effective January 31, 2018.

RESIGNATION

Anna Gigliotti resigned from the Board effective January 2, 2018.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**#27/18**

**Moved by:** A. Iantomasi

**Seconded by:** J.M. Rowe

**RESOLVED**, that the agenda be approved.

The Chair called for a vote on **#27/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

**3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**4. Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**5. Delegations**

There were no delegations.

**6. Approval of Minutes****6.1 Minutes of the December 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting**

**#28/18**

**Moved by:** A. Quinn

**Seconded by:** P. Marai

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the December 19, 2017 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

The Chair called for a vote on **#28/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

**7. Business Arising from Previous Meetings****7.1 Summary of Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings**

The Summary of Outstanding Items from Previous Meetings was received as information.

**8. Action Items****8.1 Upholding the Sanctity of Life Through Donations to Charities and Non-Profits (H. Karabela)****#29/18****Moved by:** H. Karabela**Seconded by:** S. Trites

**WHEREAS**, on January 19, 2014, Pope Francis wrote to the participants of the March for Life in France: "Let's say 'Yes' to life and 'No' to death" and

**WHEREAS**, donations are ways of asserting our "Yes" and our "No" for or against institutions which support or violate the upholding of the sanctity of life from conception to natural death,

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB), because it is a Catholic Institution, will not provide or facilitate any financial donations to any charities or non-profits that publicly support, either directly or indirectly, abortion, contraception, sterilization, euthanasia, or embryonic stem cell research. For the purposes of this motion, "public support" for the issues listed above ( i.e. abortion, contraception etc....) is not support when privately expressed but is support when publically expressed on a website, in press material or found in some other public area.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Director of Education will provide a list of all charities and non-profits, which benefit from financial donations from the Board by the board meeting of Feb 20, 2018.

Trustee Karabela asked for support for her motion in order that we do not fund things that we say fundamentally that we are against. Trustee Karabela suggested a policy with the specific criteria of the motion and a list of charities and non-profits for transparency and accountability.

Trustees provided their rationale both for and against the motion. Student trustees voiced that they felt it was a personal issue to students and requested student council feedback.

In response to staff's concern regarding monitoring and updating of list, Trustee Karabela suggested requesting attestations from organizations in order to determine indirect support.

Trustee Karabela reiterated that a policy and list would ensure where our money is going and uphold our catholic values.

The Chair called for a vote on **#29/18**:

IN FAVOUR	OPPOSED
A. Danko	C. Atrach (non-binding)
H. Karabela	A. Barbul (non-binding)
A. Quinn	A. Iantomasi
J.M. Rowe	P. Marai
S. Trites	J. Michael
	I. Schwecht (non-binding)

The motion **CARRIED**.

## 8.2 Proposed 2018 Facility Renewal Projects (R. Merrick)

**#30/18**

**Moved by:** A. Iantomasi

**Seconded by:** A. Quinn

**Resolved,** that the Halton Catholic District School Board authorize staff to proceed with the proposed 2018 facility renewal projects.

The Chair called for a vote on **#30/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

**#31/18**

**Moved by:** A. Danko

**Seconded by:** J.M. Rowe

**Resolved,** that the Halton Catholic District School Board authorize staff to expense funds from available capital funding and the capital reserve for the proposed 2018 facility renewal projects, and that the expenditures will not exceed \$10,476,000.

The Chair called for a vote on **#31/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

## 8.3 Milton No. 8 Ford Catholic Elementary School - School Boundary Review Committee Final Report and Recommendations (C. Cipriano)

**#32/18**

**Moved by:** J.M. Rowe

**Seconded by:** A. Iantomasi

**RESOLVED,** that boundaries presented in Option 2 be implemented for the 2018/2019 school year for Milton # 8 Ford, St. Benedict and St. Peter Catholic Elementary Schools, whereby these changes shall have the effect of altering existing attendance areas by:

1) Re-directing patch V52, V57, V51, V50, V59 and V56 from St. Benedict CES to Milton #8 Ford CES

2) Re-directing patch V58 from St. Peter CES to Milton #8 Ford CES.

**RESOLVED,** that students currently attending in Grade 7 at St. Benedict Catholic Elementary School in the 2017-18 school year be provided the option to be grandfathered without transportation for the 2018-19 school year.

**RESOLVED**, that holding areas be designated in principle for Milton #9, Milton #10 and Milton #11 Catholic Elementary Schools to notify the community that they may be subject to future school boundary reviews for these new schools.

The Chair called for a vote on **#32/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

## **9. Staff Reports**

### **9.1 St. Mark Catholic Elementary School Addition Sketch Plan Design and Preliminary Budget (R. Merrick)**

The 124 pupil place, 3-room child care centre and EarlyON centre building addition project at St. Mark school is underway. Preliminary project information, design concepts and budget estimates was provided.

The RFP process was followed to choose the architect. Once the design is approved it will go to tender.

### **9.2 Proposed Assumption Renewal Work – Phase 1 (R. Merrick)**

Staff recommend that the Board proceed with the following portions of the proposed Assumption Catholic Secondary School renewal project at this time:

- Addition of air-conditioning to gymnasiums
- Refresh of science laboratories, including millwork, flooring, painting, plumbing and electrical

The completion of the above renewal projects will offer great benefit to students and staff and will not impact any future renewal projects at the school. The estimated cost to complete these two improvements is \$1.1 million. The Board currently has sufficient funds to finance this reduced scope for the proposed Assumption School renewal project. Construction would be completed during summer 2018, with no disruption to school operations.

Utilization of Assumption Catholic Secondary School is near 100% with current trends indicating the school will reach capacity.

Trustee Iantomasi was pleased to hear of the renewal work. This will assist in improving facility and equity among the Boards secondary schools.

## **10. Information Items**

### **10.1 Student Trustees Update (I. Schwecht)**

The January senate meeting focused on the following:

- providing feeder schools feedback and promoting See the Problem Be the Solution Bullying Campaign
- spirit wear
- supporting international students
- planning for the upcoming leadership conference.

Student Trustees will be attending the OSTA AECO Conference in Ottawa in February 2018.

The pillars of Achieving, Believing and Belonging were shared.

**10.2 School Educational Field Trips (T. Overholt)**

School trips were provided as information.

**10.3 2018 Municipal Election: Trustee Determination and Distribution (R. Negoï / P. Dawson)**

Staff are anticipating that the Board will not be in a position to add a tenth Trustee within the next two (2) elections within the parameters outlined in O. Reg. 412/00. As such, the number of Trustees is expected to remain at nine (9). This will be confirmed once the PEG Report from MPAC is released in mid-February 2018.

In reviewing the Trustee Distribution by municipality using the preliminary Population Report, the need for an additional new Trustee representing the Town of Milton continues to be a priority.

At present, the Town of Milton has an electoral quotient of 1.733, and is only represented by one (1) Trustee, producing a deficit of -0.73. Given that the Town of Oakville and the City of Burlington have significant surpluses, consideration to undertake a redistribution is well warranted. Of the two (2) municipalities, the Town of Oakville had the highest surplus of representation.

In order to show trends, the 2022 numbers were also provided. Over the long-term, the Town of Oakville's over representation would continue to grow at a more rapid rate than the City of Burlington.

Staff confirmed that the mixing of two (2) municipalities could not be done.

**10.4 Initiation of a School Name Selection Committee – Milton No. 8 Catholic Elementary School (C. Cipriano)**

In accordance with Policy F15 *School Name Selection*, the Board will establish a School Name Selection Committee to review possible names and develop a priority list of at least two (2) names, which will require Board approval. This list of two (2) names will be forwarded to Bishop Douglas Crosby for review and consideration.

**10.5 Construction Report - Milton No. 8 Catholic Elementary School (R. Merrick)**

An update on the construction at the Milton No. 8 Catholic Elementary School was provided.

**10.6 Ministry Response to the 2017 Capital Priorities Business Cases and Request for Early Years Capital Program (EYCP) Submissions (R. Negoï)**

The Ministry has confirmed that the Board was successful in receiving funding for its one (1) stand alone child care project at St. Peter Catholic Elementary School.

Staff is still awaiting a Ministry response to the remaining eight (8) priorities submitted as part of the 2017 Capital Priorities Business Case Submission. A response is anticipated in

the next few weeks, and will be relayed to the Board of Trustees as soon as the information is available.

**11. Miscellaneous Information**

There was no miscellaneous information.

**12. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

**13. Open Question Period**

No questions were submitted.

**14. In Camera**

**#33/18**

**Moved by:** P. Marai

**Seconded by:** S. Trites

**RESOLVED**, that the meeting move in-camera

The Chair called for a vote on **#33/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

The meeting moved back in-camera at 9:02 p.m.

**15. Resolution re Absentees**

There were no absentees.

**16. Adjournment and Closing Prayer (D. Rabenda)**

**#34/18**

**Moved by:** P. Marai

**Seconded by:** S. Trites

**RESOLVED**, that the meeting adjourn.

The Chair called for a vote on **#34/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m. with a prayer led by D. Rabenda.

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Secretary of the Board

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Chair