

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Date: November 6, 2018
Time: 7:30 pm
Location: Catholic Education Centre, Board Room
802 Drury Lane, Burlington, ON

A. Danko	D. Rabenda, Chair of the Board
A. Iantomasi	J.M. Rowe
H. Karabela	A. Quinn (via telephone)
P. Marai, Vice-Chair of the Board	S. Trites
J. Michael	

Student Trustees:	W. Charlebois	S. Mazza
	D. Herrero	

Senior Staff:	S. Balogh	R. Negoï
	C. Cipriano	J. O'Hara
	P. Daly, Secretary of the Board	T. Pinelli
	R. Merrick	A. Prkacin
	L. Naar	J. Rowles

Also Present: A. Bartucci, Communications Officer, Strategic Communications Services
L. Beraldo-Turner, Acting President, Halton OECTA Secondary
L. Keating, Acting Chief Research Officer
N. March, President, Halton OECTA Elementary
A. Swinden, Manager, Strategic Communications Services
F. Thibeault, Senior Manager, Planning Services

Recording Secretary: R. Di Pietro

1. Call to Order

1.1 Opening Prayer, National Anthem and Oath of Citizenship (D. Herrero)

The meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. with a prayer led by D. Herrero.

1.2 Motions Adopted In-Camera

There were no motions adopted in-camera.

1.3 Information Received In-Camera

The following information was received in-camera:

Acting Secondary Vice Principal – Thomas Merton Centre for Continuing Education, Oakville

John Quinlan appointed as Acting Secondary Vice Principal at the Thomas Merton Centre for Continuing Education effective November 20, 2018 with an end date to be determined.

Acting Department Head – Mathematics – Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School
Melissa Collver appointed as Acting Department Head, Mathematics at Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary School effective October 22, 2018 with an end date to be determined but no later than August 31, 2019.

Hiring

Katelyn Kurnik and Kristina Samson hired as probationary teachers effective October 15, 2018. Concetta Famiglietti hired as a probationary teacher effective October 17, 2018.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The following was added to the agenda:

10.4 Notice of Motion – Transportation (H. Karabela)

#223/18

Moved by: J. Michael

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

RESOLVED, that the agenda be approved as amended.

The Chair called for a vote on **#223/18** 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

5.1 Retain the Extended French Immersion Program at St. Matthew Catholic Elementary School (S. Kusyk, T. Renton, C. Zettel)

The delegation spoke to the lack of stakeholder engagement and the impact of the relocation on the school community as a whole.

Ms. Renton confirmed that the signature count on a petition started by concerned parent group was at 313.

5.2 Transportation to AP and/or IB Program for Gifted Students in Halton Catholic District School Board Secondary Schools (J. Lim)

The delegation was a follow up regarding transportation to AP and/or IB program for Gifted Students in Halton Catholic District School Board Secondary Schools.

Staff confirmed the Gifted Students Survey Report was shared with all Trustees and that only the highlights of the survey results were shared publically through a Staff report.

Trustee Iantomasi voiced that the matter should be taken up with the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC).

Chair Rabenda reminded everyone that it was agreed at the May 1, 2018 Regular Board Meeting that the decision on this matter be deferred until the report on consultation for the Vision for Student Transportation in Ontario is released and the Ministry of Education announces the impact it will have on the transportation funding across the province.

6. Approval of Minutes

**6.1 Minutes of the October 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
#224/18**

Moved by: J.M. Rowe

Seconded by: J. Michael

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the November 6, 2018 Regular Board Meeting be approved.

The Chair called for a vote on **#224/18** 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 Response to Delegations (D. Rabenda)

The following response was given to the delegation regarding retaining the Extended French Immersion Program at St. Matthew Catholic Elementary School:

#225/18

Moved by: A. Danko

Seconded by: H. Karabela

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees make a decision regarding the delegation tonight.

The Chair called for a vote on **#225/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

#226/18

Moved by: A. Danko

Seconded by: H. Karabela

RESOLVED, that the Director of Education retain the Extended French Program at St. Matthew Catholic Elementary School.

The Director of Education explained that the goal of relocating programs was to ensure programs are accommodated in schools that can accommodate growth, minimize future relocations and align Family of Schools. The hope is to increase Extended French where possible. It was confirmed that the existing students at St. Matthew Catholic Elementary School would be grandfathered.

As per Procedure VI-53, the Director of Education has the discretion of relocating a French program where the need arises. Both Trustee Iantomasi and Trites were in agreement that this was an operational matter and that due to various reasons there would be times changes would need to be made by the Director of Education.

The Director explained that parents are aware that optional French programs are subject to relocation and that under the procedure consultation was not required.

Trustee Quinn declared a conflict of interest and removed himself from the vote.

The Chair called for a vote on **#226/18:**

IN FAVOUR	OPPOSED
A. Danko	W. Charlebois (non-binding)
H. Karabela	D. Herrero (non-binding)
P. Marai	A. Iantomasi
	S. Mazza (non-binding)
	J. Michael
	D. Rabenda
	J.M. Rowe
	S. Trites

The motion was **DEFEATED**.

The following response was given to the delegation regarding transportation to AP and/or IB Program for Gifted Students in Halton Catholic District School Board Secondary Schools:

#227/18

Moved by: A. Iantomasi

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

RESOLVED, that the delegation regarding transportation to AP and/or IB Program for Gifted Students in Halton Catholic District School Board Secondary Schools be received as information.

Staff explained that the Board meets their obligation for Gifted Students. It was also clarified that AP and IB are not gifted programs and open to any student that meets the criteria.

Trustee Rowe voiced that Trustees need to take the entire Board into consideration and that no decisions should be made until more information on funding is received.

Superintendent Cipriano stated that Special Education's annual plan has been presented to both the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) and the Ministry of Education. This plan has been approved annually for more than ten (10) years.

The Chair called for a vote on **#227/18:**

IN FAVOUR	OPPOSED
W. Charlebois (non-binding)	A. Danko
D. Herrero (non-binding)	H. Karabela
A. Iantomasi	P. Marai
S. Mazza (non-binding)	A. Quinn
J. Michael	
D. Rabenda	
J.M. Rowe	
S. Trites	

The motion **CARRIED**.

8.2 Policy I-45 Transparency and Accountability in Executive Compensation (3rd reading) (P. Marai)

#228/18

Moved by: P. Marai

Seconded by: H. Karabela

RESOLVED, that the Halton Catholic District School Board accept the recommendation of the Policy Committee that Policy I-45 Transparency and Accountability in Executive Compensation, be approved.

The Chair called for a vote on **#228/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

8.3 Transparency & Accountability in Executive Compensation (P. Marai)

This agenda item was removed as it was dealt with in 8.2.

9. Staff Reports

9.1 History & Geography Resource Selection (A. Prkacin)

Approval of this resource would support Grade 7 and 8 teachers in addressing the required curriculum expectations for history and geography while recognizing the diverse learning needs of the students in our schools. The program promotes the development of 21st century competencies such as critical thinking, collaboration, creativity and innovative thinking within a Catholic context.

10. Information Items

10.1 Student Trustees Update (D. Herrero)

Student Trustees attended the OSTA AECO Fall General Meeting where they were provided more information about their role.

The bullying prevention launch of See the Problem, Be the Solution is set for November 13, 2018.

Members of Student Senate attended the Student Leadership Conference. Jean Vanier Catholic Secondary was awarded the most spirited school award.
Student Senate looking into new initiatives.

10.2 School Educational Field Trips (T. Pinelli)

School trips were provided as information.

10.3 Milton No. 3 Catholic Secondary School Capital Priorities Business Case Submission (R. Negoii)

Staff has submitted Milton #3 Catholic Secondary School project three (3) consecutive times for funding approval. In all three (3) attempts, the Board has been unsuccessful in receiving the funding, regardless of continued messaging that by 2021, the Board will no longer be able to accommodate its secondary students in the Town of Milton.

As there is no indication of when the next round of capital funding priorities will be circulated by the Ministry, staff will submit an urgent Business Case for this project to the Ministry. It is hoped that the submission will accelerate the process of receiving the necessary funding approvals to begin construction, and therefore open the school in time for September 2021.

10.4 Notice of Motion - Transportation (H. Karabela)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Halton Catholic District School Board will provide transportation to identified gifted students with an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) to an Advanced Placement (AP) Program, if one is not available in their catchment area if requested.

11. Miscellaneous Information

There was no miscellaneous information.

12. Correspondence

12.1 B. Mann, Town of Milton

12.2 L. Thompson, Minister of Education

12.3 L. Ferry

12.4 B. Gomez

12.5 K. Mann

12.6 M. Nosella

12.7 L. Thorfinnson

12.8 J. Vanek

12.9 C. Verasamy

Correspondence was shared.

13. Open Question Period

No questions were submitted.

14. In Camera

There was no follow-up In-Camera session.

15. Resolution re Absentees

There were no absentees.

16. Adjournment and Closing Prayer (S. Trites)

#229/18

Moved by: J. Michael

Seconded by: S. Trites

RESOLVED, that the meeting adjourn.

The Chair called for a vote on **#229/18** and it **UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED**.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. with a prayer led by Trustee Trites.

Secretary of the Board

Chair