

POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 9, 2018
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Catholic Education Centre - Board Room
802 Drury Lane
Burlington, Ontario

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

Staff Present

- P. Daly, Director of Education
- S. Balogh, Superintendent of Education, School Services
- R. Merrick, Superintendent, Facility Management Services
- C. McGillicuddy, Superintendent of Education, Student Success
- R. Negoi, Superintendent, Business Services
- A. Prkacin, Superintendent of Education, Curriculum Services
- F. Thibeault, Senior Manager, Planning Services
- R. DiPietro, Executive Assistant, Director's Office

Others Present K. Boyd, OECTA Halton Secondary, President
 N. March, OECTA Halton Elementary, President
 Guests

Recording Secretary J. Neuman

1. Call to Order

1.1 Opening Prayer (A. Danko)

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer led by A. Danko.

2. Approvals

2.1 Approval of Agenda

P#61/18

Moved by: A. lantomasi

Seconded by: D. Rabenda

Addition to agenda Information Item 5.9 Oct. 4, 2018 The Catholic Register Article

That, the agenda be approved, as amended

CARRIED

The Chair called for a Declaration of Conflict of Interest. There were none.

2.2 Approval of Minutes (Sept. 11, 2018)

P#62/18

Moved by: J. Michael

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

That, the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on September 11, 2018 be approved, as submitted.
CARRIED

3. Action Items

3.1 Policy I-24 Fraud Management (R. Negoj)

R. Negoj shared the changes to the policy.

P#63/18

Moved by: A. Iantomasi

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

That, the Policy Committee recommends that Policy I-24 Fraud Management, be forwarded, along with amendments, to the October 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

There was no discussion.

The chair called for a vote. Recommendation **P#63/18 CARRIED.**

3.2 Policy I-35 Trustee Honoraria (R. Negoj)

R. Negoj shared the changes to the policy; and noted that the amendments have been made in the spirit of the ministry information released in the spring. It was noted that the amended regulation has not been released, and any changes required will be brought back to a future policy committee meeting.

P#64/18

Moved by: A. Quinn

Seconded by: D. Rabenda

That, the Policy Committee recommends that Policy I-35 Trustee Honoraria, be forwarded, along with amendments, to the October 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

There was no discussion.

The chair called for a vote. Recommendation **P#64/18 CARRIED**

3.3 Policy II-49 English as a Second Language and English Literacy Development Programs and Services (A. Prkacin, S. Balogh)

P#65/18

Moved by: J. M. Rowe

Seconded by: D. Rabenda

That, the Policy Committee recommends that Policy II-49 English as a Second Language (ESL) & English Literacy Development (ELD) Programs and Services, be forwarded, be forwarded, along with amendments, to the October 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

A. Prkacin noted that minor changes were made to the policy

There was no discussion.

The chair called for a vote. Recommendation **P#65/18 CARRIED**

3.4 Policy II-50 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) for Day School Students (C. McGillicuddy, S. Balogh)

P#66/18

Moved by: D. Rabenda

Seconded by: A. Danko

That, the Policy Committee recommends that Policy II-50 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) for Day School Students, be forwarded to the October 16, 2018 Regular Board Meeting for approval.

C. McGillicuddy noted that minor changes were made to the policy

There was no discussion.

The chair called for a vote and Recommendation **P#66/18 CARRIED**

3.5 Policy V-04 School Fundraising Activities (P. Marai)

P#67/18

Moved by: A. Iantomasi

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

That, the Board accept, with thanks, the community feedback and make no change to V-04 School Fundraising Activities.

P#67/18 (Amendment)

Moved by: A. Danko

Seconded by: A. Quinn

That, "the policy will be moved to the Regular Board Meeting on October 16, 2018, for approval" be added to the motion.

The Chair called for a vote and **P#67/18 (Amendment) FAILED.**

In Favour	Opposed
H. Karabela	A. Iantomasi
S. Tristes	J. Michael
A. Danko	D. Rabenda
A. Quinn	J. M. Rowe

The Chair returned to the main motion.

Discussion ensued. Stakeholder feedback results were noted. An article from The Catholic Register was presented and discussed. Questions regarding moral principals, tools and resources and reference to other school board policies were asked and answered.

A. Danko asked for an amendment to the policy to include standard language in reference to church teaching that appears in other policies.

The chair disallowed the amendment until the first motion was voted on.
A point of order was raised that the policy was open for discussion.

A. Danko appealed the Point of Order.

The Chair ruled the point of order not well taken as a main motion was already on the floor, but Mr. Danko could revisit the amendment once main motion being discussed was voted on.

Following Trustees further voicing their positions, the Chair called for a vote. Recommendation **P#67/18 CARRIED**

In Favour	Opposed
A. Iantomasi	H. Karabela
J. Michael	S. Tristes
D. Rabenda	A. Danko
J. M. Rowe	A. Quinn
P. Marai (Chair)	

Discussion ensued regarding forwarding the Policy to the upcoming Board Meeting for approval. P. Marai noted that only legislated annually reviewed policies go to Board for approval without changes.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Cannabis Legislation (P. Marai)

4.1.1 Policy I-14 Smoking Ban

4.1.2 Policy II-28 Alcohol Tobacco and Drug Education and Abuse in Schools

4.1.3 Policy II-39 Progressive Discipline and Safety In Schools

4.1.4 Procedure VI-44 Progressive Discipline and Safety in Schools

A. Quinn directed questions to P. Daly and S. Balogh regarding the upcoming Cannabis Legislation.

S. Balogh noted that pertinent policies and procedures are in the 2018-2019 review cycle and some have been moved forward to be reviewed sooner. Policy II-28 Alcohol, Tobacco and Drug Education and Abuse in Schools was reviewed in March 2018, but will be reviewed to ensure it encompasses the legislation.

Questions regarding discipline, illegal possession, and vaping were asked and answered.

A. Quinn suggested there would be value to increase the budget for education regarding programming for vaping/cannabis. P. Daly noted the Board is waiting to receive word if funding is coming from the Ministry.

5. Information Items

5.1 Procedure VI-24 Fraud Management (R. Nego)

5.2 Procedure VI-72 Election Audit Compliance Committee (R. Nego, P. Daly)

5.3 Procedure VI-77 Procedure for ESL Student Reception, Orientation, Placement and Programming (A. Prkacin, S. Balogh)

5.4 Procedure VI-80 Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) For Day School Students (C. McGillicuddy, S. Balogh)

5.5 Procedure VI-59 School Fundraising Activities (P. Daly, S. Balogh)

5.6 Procedure VI-08 School Security (R. Merrick, S. Balogh)

5.7 Procedure VI-53 Optional French Programs (Extended, Mid-Extended) (A. Prkacin, S. Balogh)

5.8 Upcoming Policy Agenda Items November 13, 2018 (S. Balogh)

5.8.1 Policy II-11 Daily Teacher Plans (S. Balogh)

5.8.2 Policy II-20 Child Abuse (C. Cipriano)

5.8.3 Policy II-23 Child Care Facilities (R. Merrick)

5.8.4 Policy II-37 Volunteers in Catholic Schools (S. Balogh)

5.8.5 Policy II-44 Student Mental Health (C. Cipriano)

5.8.6 Policy II-46 Assessment and Evaluation (A. Prkacin)

5.8.7 Procedure VI-32 Child Abuse and Protection of Students (C. Cipriano)

5.8.8 Procedure VI-78 Community Planning and Facilities Partnerships (R. Merrick)

5.8.9 Procedure VI-55 Assessment and Evaluation - Academic Dishonesty and Plagiarism (A. Prkacin)

5.8.10 Procedure VI-56 Assessment and Evaluation - Late and Missed Assignments (A. Prkacin)

5.8.11 Procedure VI-29 Supervised Alternative Learning (A. Prkacin, C. McGillicuddy)

5.8.12 Procedure VI-43 Home Instruction (A. Prkacin, S. Balogh)

5.9 Article from the Catholic Register – A. Danko

The article was mentioned in the discussion above.

The above items were presented as information.

6. Miscellaneous Information

6.1 Special Policy Committee Meeting - October 11, 2018 (P. Marai)

7. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

8. In Camera

There was no In Camera session.

9. New Business

There was no new business

10. Motion to Excuse Absent Committee Members

All trustees were present

11. Motion to Adjourn/ Closing Prayer (A. Iantomasi)

P#68/18

Moved by: D. Rabenda

Seconded by: J. M. Rowe

That the meeting adjourn.

A. Iantomasi closed meeting with prayer at 8:08 p.m.