

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 25, 2020, 7:00 p.m.  
Conference Call

Trustees: Sharon Hobin Chair

	Bruce Campbell	General Manager, Communications and Community Relations
	Theresa Davis	General Manager, Human Resources
	Wendy Dobson	General Manager, Student Transportation of Peel Region
	Christiane Kyte	General Manager, Clinical Services and Special Education
	Richard Moriah	General Manager, Physical Plant Facilities
Recorder:	Cindy Child	

A. Routine Matters

1. Call to Order and Attendance  
Chair Sharon Hobin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Acknowledgement of First Nations Sacred Territory  
Chair Sharon Hobin acknowledged the sacred territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.
3. National Anthem
4. Opening Prayer  
Chair Sharon Hobin led the Opening Prayer.
  - a. Declaration of Office and Oath of Allegiance for Student Trustees  
  
Director Mazzorato introduced two newly elected student trustees, Heather Fernandes, from St. Francis Xavier Catholic Secondary School and Alejandro Garcia Polo, from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School.  
  
Both student trustees recited the Declaration of Office, Affirmation of Allegiance and the Oath for Catholic Trustees in Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board.
5. Approval of Agenda  
Addition to the Agenda:  
G 2 Appendix D Mental Health Document  
H 1 PowerPoint for Operating Budget  
M 11 In Camera Item  
  
Removed from Agenda:  
G 4 was removed



CARRIED

- 9. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, July 16, 2020

Motion 194 (20-08-25)

Moved by Luz del Rosario

Seconded by Brea Corbet

~~THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, JULY 16, 2020 BE APPROVED.~~ (MEE)11(T)84(I)6(N)7(C)  
CARRIED

- 10. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, August 4, 2020

Motion 195 (20-08-25)

Moved by Frank Di Cosola

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THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING, AUGUST 4, 2020, BE APPROVED.

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EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY IN DUFFERIN-PEEL SCHOOLS AND FACILITIES.

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D. Delegations – Nil

*position will allow me to make a real difference and advocate for something that is especially important to me. I know that Alejandro and I are going to try our best this term and we are so excited and ready for the opportunity to help represent students. Thank you.*

Student Trustee Alejandro Garcia Polo shared:

*I am thankful to have this opportunity to be a student trustee and to bring issues and concerns forward from students. Working alongside the board of trustees to bring these issues forward to solution. I hope I can live up to the expectations before me and will do my best to have a successful year. I am happy to work alongside Heather. Thank you.*

Chair Hobin thanked Student Trustees Heather Fernandes and Alejandro Garcia Polo and welcomed them to their new roles.

### 3. Good News Items

Trustee Luz del Rosario acknowledged the generous donation made by Toronto Raptor's Coach Nick Nurse to St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Secondary School Music department. He was recently spotted at a media conference wearing a Gonzaga hoodie.

Trustee Anna da Silva thanked staff and fellow trustees for their hard work over the summer in order to prepare for reopening in September.

Chair Sharon Hobin addressed parents/guardians and explained that *Good News* is an



13. In response to Trustee Frank Di Cosola's query, General Manager Moriah advised that any portable air conditioners or fans that blow outwards are not to be used as they blow and spread droplets. Some air filtration systems are combined with air conditioning and heating. DPCDSB is sourcing for these combined portable units. Trustee Frank Di Cosola's concern is for staff and students who will be wearing masks in rooms with blowing hot air, which will be uncomfortable.
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22. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that shuttered schools and shuttered classrooms may be used as virtual classrooms. All classrooms may be used for both modalities.
23. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that parents/guardians will not be permitted to purchase or provide air conditioning units or fans for classrooms. Industrial grade units will be purchased by DPCDSB where possible. Retail units are not designed for schools. We rely on tendered companies for fair pricing, warranty and maintenance issues. Trustee Mario Pascucci has requested that we communicate through Catholic School Councils this information.
24. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that DPCDSB conforms to American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineer (ASHRAE) standards for air quality and that we have meet or exceeded the standards.
25. Trustee Mario Pascucci has requested we provide how much funding our coterminous board received in the new announcement.

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas.*

26. In response to Trustee Sharon Hobin's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that the air conditioning units and fans that are currently in school and blow air outward (not upwards or downwards) will not be removed, just not turned on, they may be turned on eventually. This is based on today's information; air circulation information is evolving.

Superintendent Thomas noted that some units have been removed where windows were replaced with new operating windows or where they were assessed and needed to come out due to state of repair: broken or with mold.

27. Trustee Sharon Hobin has requested that we communicate this information to parents/guardians before the start of school. Over the years a lot of money has been raised to provide these units. The communication needs to state that this is based on recommendation from the local public health authorities.

*Chair Sharon Hobin resumed the Chair.*

Motion 199 (20-08-25)

Moved by Luz del Rosario

Seconded by Bruno Iannicca

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been. We await direction from the Archdiocese on the role of the priest in our new physical distancing environment, developing norms and the delivery of sacraments. The unique difference that our board can bring to our students, and not at our coterminous board, is to deliver content and curriculum with our faith. Parish involvement does vary from school to school and parish to parish. Associate Director Amaral advised that staff will prepare a document on sacramental preparation, taking place at the school, or at the parish.

8. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that during staggered entry, all eligible elementary and secondary students will ride the bus.
9. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that teachers will review mask etiquette to students during opening days. Teachers are to do the best they can to support and encourage all students Grades 1 to 12 to wear their masks. When students are outside, they will not have to wear masks while physical distancing. If a student is having difficulty keeping the mask on, we will work with the student and family to determine the issue. We need to determine the root of the

18. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Amaral reiterated that desk and chair inventory is being taken and redeployed, which will assist classes and schools with set up.
19. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that Bishop Boissonneau is providing a guiding document to school and parishes on the role of the priest, implementation of the sacraments and possible masses. The explanation of how remote mass will be delivered to St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Elementary School, using staff and students will be communicated to Bishop Boissonneau.
20. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that staff are considering having occasional teachers (OTs) work within a family of schools. However, local public health authorities and the Ministry support OTs visiting different schools. As requested, this information will be shared in the FAQs.
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27. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that secondary students will receive their timetables September 3 or 4 via MyBlueprint and be advised of their cohort.
28. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral recognized that academic support class follows student lunch hour and travel time from in class and that there will be flexibility for possible late arrival to the mandatory online class.
29. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Associate Director Amaral advised that teachers have three PD days, September 8 and staggered entry to prepare for reopening

systems that will be introduced during the PD days to post missed work. Teachers will handle and provide missed tests as they have pre-COVID.

38. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Associate Director Del Bianco advised that STOPR is working on regular eligible ridership, and once that is determined, we will review courtesy ridership.
39. In response to Trustee Anna da Silva's query, Director Mazzorato assured trustees that staggered entry took into consideration the readiness of our staff, regardless of modality, we want to give our parents/guardians the confidence that we are prepared for remote synchronous and conventional in class learning. The orientation time is a chance for staff and students to go over health and safety protocols, share expectations, do wellness checks







consistency of practice addressed through Family of School superintendents. Furthermore, improved directions will be provided regarding approving and posting minutes.

In response to Trustee Luz del Rosario's query, Superintendent Brunton advised that in virtual meetings, attendees will have to identify themselves as parents/guardians of students in the school.

Director Mazzorato explained that to become a member of CSC the whole school community can vote. To take position such as Chair, only the CSC members can vote for each other. There will be checks and balances in place to ensure only those that are able to vote can and that there are no double votes. This will be in place by time of election. OCSTA has used this voting software. Will provide report with clarity.

Trustee Brea Corbet acknowledged there will be limited opportunity to fund-raise this year. She shared briefly the FlipGive Program. As mentioned, it is a great option for fundraising, especially if parents are not able to enter the schools this year as visitors are restricted and lunch fundraisers won't be offered. Superintendent Brunton indicated that staff would review the option.

Motion 207 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Anna da Silva  
Seconded by Stefano Pascucci

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, REVISED POLICY 4.01: CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 208 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Frank Di Cosola  
Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE AND ADOPT REVISED POLICY 4.01: CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, AS AMENDED.

CARRIED

- I. Notices of Motion – Nil
- J. Additional Business - Nil
- K. Questions Asked of, and by, Trustees
  1. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Director Mazzorato advised that we are not able to determine if a Special Board meeting is necessary yet to discuss the promised announcement of further funding by the Federal Government. We will advise if necessary.
  2. In response to Trustee Bruno Iannicca's query, Director Mazzorato advised that trustees and other non-essential visitors to school will have restricted access through the school office. Staff will confirm if trustees' security passes are active.

3. In response to Stefano Pascucci's query, Superintendent Vecchiarino advised that the first Monday in October is -                    7                    ) . At DPCDSB we have included the Story of Mary, indigenous women and marginalized women. The Communications and Community Relations department will assist in communicating this important day through social media and via our school communities.
4. Trustee Luz del Rosario acknowledged and thanked Father Neiman D'Souza of St. Joseph Streetsville Parish for his work on the DPCDSB strategic planning mission statement. He is moving to a parish in Scarborough.

Chair Sharon Hobin commented that Father Neiman D'Souza was a pleasure to work with and brought a great approach from the church perspective. On behalf of the board of trustees she has sent him a note of thanks and wished him well.

5. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Superintendent Thomas shared that approval of the sign for St. Mary Star of the Sea Roman Catholic Church should occur through the City of Mississauga by the end of the week. DPCDSB has kept Father Michael apprised of developments.
6. In response to Trustee Mario Pascucci's query, Director Mazzorato advised that DPCDSB has no schools involved in the WE Charity.
7. In response to Trustee Brea Corbet's query, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha acknowledged the frustration that parents/families have experienced with lack of progress in receiving funds from Tour Operators and Insurance companies. DPCDSB continues to reach out to press for answers and resolutions. DPCDSB legal counsel has reached out to general counsel of Travel Guard as well. We are seeking all avenues to get resolution. This is a province-wide issue among boards for school trips that were cancelled due to the pandemic.
8. Trustee Brea Corbet has requested that a discussion of tendered companies and their insurance providers be at the board level in public session when these tenders are renewed. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha will take back request to communicate to these families regarding how staff have, and continue to work, to resolve this issue at the board level.
9. In response to Trustee Darryl D'Souza's query regarding a class action suit, Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that staff will speak to Counsel regarding this, but with all the work that has been ongoing, we are hoping that this will be resolved within the coming weeks. Executive Superintendent Cherepacha advised that the difficulties our families have had to endure will be taken into consideration when reviewing our contracts as we move forward.

L. Declared Interest Items

*Chair Sharon Hobin passed the Chair to Vice Chair Thomas Thomas*

*Trustees with a declared interest were moved into the waiting room.*

1. Approval of the Regular Board Minutes, June 16, 2020  
     Motion 209 (20-8-25)  
     Moved by Frank Di Cosola  
     Seconded by Darryl D'Souza



Motion 210 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Frank Di Cosola  
Seconded by Darryl D'Souza

THAT THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PROPOSED 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Motion 211 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Luz del Rosario  
Seconded by Brea Corbet

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE PROPOSED COMPLIANT 2020-2021 TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET OF \$985,413,747 WHICH INCLUDES \$8,881,501 TO BE FUNDED FROM ACCUMULATED SURPLUS FOR COMPLIANCE PURPOSES, \$7,597,938 FOR OPERATING AND \$1,283,563 RELATED TO PSAB REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

CARRIED

Motion 212 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Darryl D'Souza  
Seconded by Luz del Rosario

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE THE ADDITIONAL USE OF ACCUMULATED SURPLUS UP TO TWO PERCENT OF OPERATING GRANTS IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING NEEDS IN PREPARING FOR THE REOPENING OF SCHOOLS.

CARRIED

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In Camera Session

Motion 213 (20-08-25)  
Moved by Darryl D'Souza  
Seconded by Thomas Thomas

THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING BE ADJOURNED AND THE TRUSTEES IMMEDIATELY CONVENE AN IN CAMERA AND AN IN CAMERA PRIVATE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN RESPECT OF APPROVAL OF IN CAMERA AND IN CAMERA PRIVATE MINUTES AND PERSONNEL MATTERS.

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