



Board of Trustees' Board Meeting

A public meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, September 28, 2020 at the Catholic Education Centre, 35 Weber St. W., Unit A, Kitchener, ON

Trustees Present:

Bill Conway (Chair), Kevin Dupuis, Manuel da Silva, Jeanne Gravelle, Wendy Price, Greg Reitzel, Brian Schmalz, Melanie Van Alphen, Tracey Weiler

Student Trustees Present:

Abby Barbosa & Kate Morrison

Administrative Officials Present:

Loretta Notten, Jason Connolly, Maria Ivankovic, John Klein, Shesh Maharaj, Judy Merkel, Richard Olson, *Laura Shoemaker

*Via Teams

**Maria Ivankovic left the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Special Resources For The Meeting:

Regrets:

Recorder:

Alice Figueiredo, Executive Administrative Assistant

NOTE ON VOTING: Under Board by-law 5.7 all Board decisions made by consensus are deemed the equivalent of a unanimous vote. A consensus decision is therefore deemed to be a vote of 9-0. Under Board by-law 5.11 every Trustee "shall vote on all questions on which the Trustee is entitled to vote" and abstentions are not permitted.

1. Call to Order:

The Chair of the Board called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

1.1 Opening Prayer & Memorials

The meeting opened with prayer service led by Fr. Joseph de Viveiros to celebrate and commission incoming Student Trustees.

1.2 Territorial Acknowledgment

The Territorial Acknowledgement was declared by Trustee Conway.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Agenda was amended to add Student Trustees commissioning at 1.1 and move into Private, Private at 15.2.

2020-220-- It was moved by Trustee da Silva seconded by Trustee Dupuis:

THAT the agenda for Monday, September 28, 2020, as amended, be now approved. --- Carried by *consensus*.

1.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

1.3.1 From the current meeting – NIL

1.3.2 From a previous public or in-camera meeting – NIL

1.5 Items for Action:

2 Consent Agenda: Director of Education (e.g. day-to-day operational matters from the Ministry of Education that the board is required to do)

3 Consent Agenda: Board of Trustees (Minutes of meetings)

• Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings

- 3.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular and Special Meetings
 - 3.1.1 Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2020
- 3.2 SEAC Minutes of July 8, 2020
- 3.3 Audit Committee Appointment
- 3.4 Semi-Annual Administrative Procedure Update
- 3.5 Update on WCDSB Trustee Inquiries
- 3.6 Trustee Budget Update for 2019-20 (As of Aug. 31., 2020)
- 3.7 Trustee Budget Update for 2020-2021
- 3.8 Trustee Committee Assignment 2020-21

Trustees Van Alphen noted that upon review of Section 12 of the Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of August 24th regarding the mask motion, that the amended motion was moved by Trustee Gravelle and Seconded by herself and to note that the motion was amended.

2020-221- It was moved by Trustee da Silva and seconded by Trustee Weiler:

THAT the Consent Agenda Board of Trustees and the recommendations contained therein be now approved. --- Carried by consensus

Trustee Van Alphen requested a detailed report on the status of the SRO program within our Board. Superintendent Merkel provided a verbal update noting that the WRPS made the decision to halt the program from feedback received from community members during their investigation. Trustees requested an update or report when more information becomes available.

4 Delegations

5 Advice from the CEO

5.1 Director's Update

Director Notten provided the Board of Trustees with an update on the various virtual meeting attended provincially and locally to ensure the safety and wellbeing of WCDSB community during the re-opening of schools.

5.2 Headstart

Superintendent Ivankovic introduced Principal Cox of St. Louis and Michele Breault, Program Manager. A report on the HeadStart to Grade 9 Program was presented. Data trends, successful participation, safety protocols, challenges and looking ahead were discussed.

Trustees provided feedback which included personal positive experience of their own children who attended the program.

5.3 Summer Construction Update

Superintendent Maharaj introduced Terri Pickett, Senior Manager of Facility Services. Mrs. Pickett provided the Board of Trustees with an update on summer construction, including budget, implications due to Covid-19, before and after pictures of work completed, upcoming capital projects and next steps.

Trustees asked clarifying questions.

5.4 Information Technology Services Update Summer 2020

Chris Demers, Chief Information Officer provided an update on projects/initiatives completed during the summer of 2020 including the telephone system roll-out, St. Isidore and remote learning preparation, Aspen/School Messenger rollout and social medial data and trends.

Trustees asked clarifying questions and provided feedback.

5.5 Enrollment/Staffing Report

Superintendent Connolly provided an update on enrollment and projection and impacts of St. Isidore virtual school. Trustees asked clarifying questions on budget and projection, clarification was given.

5.6 WCDSB Framework for Learning

Superintendent Merkel provided the Board of Trustees with a report on the WCDSB Framework for Learning created to support educators with virtual learning. This framework aims to support all educators in transitioning between learning scenarios (conventional, adapted, remote) as needed. It is a living framework and will be updated as emerging processes, practices, and resources become available.

6 Ownership Linkage (Communication with the External Environment)

7 Actions From Board Committees/Task Forces

7.1 Student Trustee Update

Student Trustees' provided an update on SAC meetings, activities throughout high schools and their initiative "Developing our Roots" a yearlong initiative to engage, encourage grade 7 & 8 students.

Trustees provided positive feedback to Student Trustees.

8 Board Education (at the request of the Board)

8.1 Chair's Report

Chair Conway provided report on meetings attended.

8.2 OCSTA/CCSTA Communications

Chair Conway briefly discussed communications.

9 Policy Discussion

10 Assurance of Successful Board Performance

10.1 Board Policy II 002 Governing Style

Trustee Weiler confirmed review of Board Policy II 002 Governing Style and confirmed that the Board was in compliance, however, noted last update was 2018. Also noted that Trustees should review area around bringing shared concerns forward and recommended bringing this policy to Governance for review.

2020-222 -- It was moved by Trustee Weiler and seconded by Trustee Reitzel:

THAT the Board of Trustees reviewed Board Policy II 002 Governing Style and find that the Board is in compliance. --- Carried by consensus

Is there a need to Review the Policy? Yes.

10.2 Board Policy III 006 CEO Compensation and Benefits

Chair Conway confirmed review of Board Policy III 006 CEO Compensation and Benefits and noted that the Board is still not in compliance due to the current executive limitation on the Director's contract.

Trustee da Silva noted that the question "Is there a need to Review the Policy?" was not stated in the agenda and noted a good practice to continue to state this question in the agenda.

2020-223 -- It was moved by Trustee Conway and seconded by Trustee da Silva:
THAT the Board of Trustees reviewed Ill 006 CEO Compensation and Benefits and find that the Board is not in compliance due to the current executive limitation on the Director's contract. --- Carried by consensus

Is there a need to Review the Policy? No

11 Assurance of Successful Director of Education Performance

11.1 Monitoring Reports & Vote on Compliance

12 Potential Agenda Items

12.1 Trustee Inquiry Report from the CEO

12.2 Shared Concerns

12.2.1 Notice of Motion - Rising Prevalence of Mental Health Issues among Students"

Chair Conway noted that Notice of Motion presented to be spoken to at upcoming Board.

13 Announcements

13.1 Upcoming Meetings/Events (all scheduled for the Catholic Education Centre unless otherwise indicated):

Discussed upcoming events.

13.2 Pending Items:

13.3 Pending Items for OCSTA Consideration

14 Items for the Next Meeting Agenda

15 Adjournment - Confirm decisions made tonight.

15.1 The Recording Secretary confirmed the meeting decisions.

15.2 Move into Private, Private

2020-224 -- It was moved by Trustee da Silva and seconded by Trustee Gravelle:
THAT the Board of Trustees move into Private, Private at 8:18 p.m. --- Carried by consensus

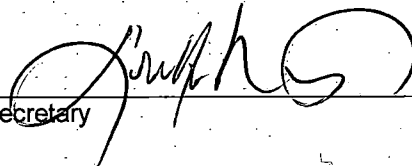
16 Closing Prayer

17 Motion to Adjourn

2020-225 -- It was moved by Trustee Price and seconded by Trustee Gravelle:
THAT the meeting be now adjourned. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:00 p.m.



Chair of the Board



Secretary