



# BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK Catholic District School Board

## Minutes

Catholic Education Centre  
322 Fairview Drive  
Brantford, ON N3T 5M8

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### Board Meeting Tuesday, June 25, 2024 ♦ 7:00 p.m. Boardroom

#### Trustees:

Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice-Chair), Dennis Blake, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Mark Watson  
Caroline Goveas (Student Trustee), Mia Martorelli (Student Trustee)

#### Senior Administration:

Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), John Della Fortuna, Kevin Greco, Lorrie Temple,  
Phil Wilson (Superintendents of Education)

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## 1. Opening Business

### 1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Chair Petrella.

### 1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above.

### 1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the June 25, 2024, Board meeting.

**Carried**

### 1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil.

### 1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – May 28, 2024

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the May 28, 2024, Meeting of the Board.

**Carried**

### 1.6 Approval of the Special Board Meeting Minutes – June 7, 2024

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the June 7, 2024, Special Meeting of the Board.

**Carried**

### 1.7 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil



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### 2. Presentations –

2.1 The Board recognized the retirement of Sue Defreyne, Principal, St. Cecilia Catholic Elementary School.

The Board recognized the retirement of Allison Hayes, Principal, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Elementary School.

The Board recognized the retirement of Mary Leonard, Principal, Notre Dame Caledonia Catholic Elementary School.

The Board recognized the retirement of Margi Szoke, Principal, St. Leo Catholic Elementary School.

The Board recognized the retirement of Jack MacDonald, Principal, Our Lady of Providence Catholic Elementary School.

2.2 The Board recognized the outgoing 2023/2024 Student Trustees Caroline Goveas and Mia Martorelli.

The Board welcomed the 2024/2025 Student Trustees Riley O'Brien and Ryan Toft.

2.3 The Board recognized the outstanding achievement various Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board students.

Adam Chambers was recognized as the winner of the prestigious \$15,000 *Wanda & Scott Salverda Memorial Scholarship*. This scholarship is awarded to a Haldimand / Norfolk student who is active in their community and exemplifies a solid work ethic in their everyday life.

Jillian Haak was recognized for her recent silver medal accomplishment at the *Skills Canada Architectural Design Competition*. Jillian represented our board and province at the national level of the competition. Additionally, her submission won first place for a female competitor in the area of construction projects.

Madison Davey and Annabelle Martin were recognized as grant proposal winners in the *Imagine A Canada Program* which is an annual national campaign calling all young people from across the country from kindergarten to grade 12 to lead our nation through Reconciliation. Their submission was a positive collaboration and will be highlighted on our website

### 3. Delegations - Nil

### 4. Consent Agenda - Nil



**5. Committee and Staff Reports**

**5.1 Unapproved Recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 18, 2024.**

Vice-Chair Trustee Luciani brought forward the recommendations from the June 18, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the amended school attendance boundaries, as outlined in Figure 2, and that legacy provisions were in place for impacted students currently enrolled in Grade 5 and 6 as well as their siblings, effective upon the opening of Pope Francis CES for Haldimand County.

Moved by: Mark Watson

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 18, 2024.

**Carried**

**5.2 Strategic Plan Progress**

Director McDonald presented the Strategic Plan Progress report. He highlighted the plan was rolled out in September 2023 and provided an update on the progress made during the 2023/2024 school year.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Strategic Plan Progress Report.

**5.3 Student Trustee Report**

Student Trustees Caroline Goveas and Mia Martorelli presented their final student trustee report. Some of the highlights included pep-rallies, proms, exam preparation and saying goodbye to staff at all three BHNCDNB high schools. The student trustees thanked the Board and Senior team staff for their support during their time in the student trustee roles. The 2024/2025 Student Trustees Riley O'Brien and Ryan Toft were introduced to the Board.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Student Trustee Report.

**Carried**

**6. Information and Correspondence - Nil**

**7. Notices of Motion - Nil**

**8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption – Nil**



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### **9. Trustee Inquiries**

A suggestion was made that future provincial winners from the school year, should be invited to the June Board Meeting to be recognized for their contribution and accomplishments.

### **10. Business In-Camera**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an In-Camera session.  
**Carried**

### **11. Report on the In-Camera Session**

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the business of the In-Camera session.  
**Carried**

### **12. Future Meetings and Events**

Chair Petrella drew attention to the upcoming meetings and events.

### **13. Closing Prayer**

The closing prayer was led by

### **14. Adjournment**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the June 25, 2024, Board meeting.  
**Carried**

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**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, September 24, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom