



**Accommodations Committee**  
**Wednesday, February 21, 2024 – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Microsoft Teams Meeting**

**Trustees:** Rick Petrella (Chair), Dan Dignard, Dennis Blake, Bill Chopp, Carol Luciani

**Senior Administration:**

John Della Fortuna (Superintendent of Education)  
Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary)  
Phil Wilson (Superintendent of Education)  
Scott Keys (Superintended of Business & Treasurer)

**Staff and Other Resources:**

Lou Citino (Manager of Facility Services)  
Jack Ammendolia (Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.)  
Katherine Reddicliffe (Recording Secretary)

**Regrets:**

Mark Watson (Trustee)  
Kevin Greco (Superintendent of Education)  
Lorrie Temple (Superintendent of Education)  
Sarah Lees (Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.)

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**1. Opening Business**

**1.1 Opening Prayer**

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Trustee Dignard.

**1.2 Attendance**

Attendance was noted as above.

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Carol Luciani  
Seconded by: Bill Chopp  
THAT the Accommodations Committee approves the Agenda of February 21, 2024.  
**Carried**

**1.4 Declaration of Interest: Nil.**

**1.5 Approval of the Minutes:**

Moved by: Dan Dignard  
Seconded by: Carol Luciani  
THAT the Accommodations Committee approves the Minutes of June 6, 2023.  
**Carried**

**1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes: Nil.**



**2. Staff Reports & Information Items:**

**2.1 Haldimand County Long Term Accommodation Plan Update**

Scott Keys, Superintendent of Business & Treasurer introduced Jack Ammendolia, Managing Partner, Watson & Associates Economists Ltd. Who provided information on the purpose of the report, to provide trustees with proposed capital priorities, which will be submitted to the Ministry when the Capital Priorities Program is opened to applications.

The focal point is Haldimand County and the embarkment of the attendance boundary review. Preliminary considerations were presented, and feedback requested from the attendees.

A recap of the significant growth within the county and the approved funding for the Board to build the new elementary school. The emphasis on the last five-year growth is the most important driving factor.

Highlights from Mr. Ammendolia's presentation include:

- Creating a new boundary for the new school.
- Potential of boundary adjustments in other schools in the County.
- Current and projected utilization numbers.
- French Immersion review and possibilities if interested.
- Suggestions – future presentations to have all the graphs in one slide for a quick comparison.

The committee agreed with the considerations presented before them and that these considerations can be brought to the Attendance Boundary Review Committee.

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Accommodations Committee approves the three considerations to be presented to the Haldimand County Attendance Boundary Review Committee

**Carried**

**3. Business of the In-Camera Session – N/A**

**4. Report on the In-Camera Session – N/A**

**5. Future Meetings**

Chair Petrella noted that the next Accommodations Committee Meeting will be scheduled on April 17, 2024.

**6. Adjournment**

Moved by: Dennis Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Accommodations Committee adjourns the meeting of February 21, 2024.

**Carried**

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**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 17, 2024 – 3:00 p.m.