



**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, March 28, 2023 ♦ 7:00 p.m.  
Boardroom**

**Members:** **Trustees:**  
Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice-Chair), Dennis Blake, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard,  
Mark Watson, Halaena Buenviaje (Student Trustee)

**Senior Administration:**  
Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Scott Keys (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), 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 – all present

**1.3 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the March 28, 2023 Board meeting.

**Carried**

**1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil**

**1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – February 28, 2023**

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the February 28, 2023 Meeting of the Board.

**Carried**

**1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil**

**2. Presentations – Nil.**

**3. Delegations – Nil**

**4. Consent Agenda - Nil**



**5. Committee and Staff Reports**

**5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole  
- March 21, 2023**

Trustee Blake put forward a motion to remove the Student Trustee Policy from the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole and be a separate agenda item.

Moved by: Dennis Blake  
Seconded by: Dan Dignard  
**Carried**

Vice-Chair Luciani reviewed the business of the March 21, 2023, Committee of the Whole meeting and brought forward the following recommendations as amended.

- THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the excursion request from St. John's College and Assumption College School for an excursion to Costa Rica and Panama from Friday March 8, 2024, to Sunday, March 17, 2024.

Moved by: Bill Chopp  
Seconded by: Carol Luciani  
THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 21, 2023.  
**Carried**

Moved by: Bill Chopp  
Seconded by: Carol Luciani  
THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 21, 2023.  
**Carried As Amended**

Trustee Blake put forward two amendments to the Student Trustee Policy #100.07.

1. The position of the student trustees serves to uphold Catholic values, and as such is a valuable and important function allowing the student perspective to be heard through their participation at Board meetings.

2. Qualifications: Student trustees must reside in a household designated as an English- separate school supporter/ elector.

Discussion was had regarding the removal of the Catholic requirement for student trustees from the policy as per a recent decision made by the Human Rights Commission. Trustee Blake requested a recorded vote on the two amendments to the Student Trustee Policy #100.07.

Trustee Blake in favour of the amendments

Trustee Chopp, Trustee Dignard, Trustee Watson, Vice-Chair Luciani and Chair Petrella voted against.



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The original recommendation stands.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the Student Trustee Policy #100.07.

**Carried**

### 5.2 Student Trustee Update

The Student Trustee update will be provided at the April meeting of the Board.

### 6. Information and Correspondence - Nil

### 7. Notices of Motion - Nil

### 8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption - Nil

### 9. Trustee Inquiries - Nil

### 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: Mark Watson

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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 Chair Petrella.

### 14. Adjournment

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the March 28, 2023, Board meeting.

**Carried**

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**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom