



**BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK
Catholic District School Board**

Minutes

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

**Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 22, 2024 ♦ 7:00 p.m.
Boardroom**

Trustees:

Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice-Chair), Dennis Blake, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Mark Watson, Riley O'Brien (Student Trustee), Ryan Toft (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:

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

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 October 22, 2024 Board meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – September 24, 2024

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the September 24, 2024 Meeting of the Board.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

2. Presentations

2.1 The board remembered Jeff De Prosperis, Teacher at St. John's College.

2.2 The board remembered Paul Grace, Custodian at various locations throughout the Board.

2.3 The board remembered Melissa Mattan, Teacher at Assumption College School.

3. Delegations – Nil

4. Consent Agenda

There were no agenda items on the consent agenda. Instead at this time, Chair Petrella took a few minutes to read a statement related to recent trustee travel and for the commissioning of Catholic Sculptures for St. Padre Pio Catholic Secondary School and Pope Francis Catholic Elementary School.



5. Committee and Staff Reports – Nil

- 5.1** Vice-Chair of the Board, Trustee Luciani presented a summary of the October 15, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting along with the recommendations which include;

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the Trustee Honoraria for the period November 15, 2024 to November 14, 2025.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the EQAO board report on results for the 2023-2024 School year.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the excursion request from Holy Trinity for the Portugal Soccer Tour Excursion from Thursday, March 12, 2026, to Friday, March 20, 2026.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the excursion request from Assumption College for an excursion to New York City from Thursday, May 14, 2026, to Monday, May 18, 2026.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Second by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 15, 2024.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of October 15, 2024.

5.2 Student Trustee Report

Superintendent Phil Wilson presented the September and October Student Trustee reports. All three high schools had a successful first month and a half of school. Some of the highlights include Grade 9 orientations, colour nights, homecoming dances and the start up of fall sports and clubs. Social justice and outreach initiatives have begun at St. John's and Assumption College which include pink nights to raise awareness for breast cancer and organizing food drives for St. Vincent DePaul. The success of Holy Trinity students during the Young Canada Day Celebrations at the Norfolk County Fair was also highlighted along with the first meeting of the student senate.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

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6. Information and Correspondence

- 6.1** The Save the Date information for the 2025 Celebration of the Arts event at the Sanderson Centre in Brantford was shared with the Trustees. This event showcases the incredible artistic talents from our school communities, and we look forward to highlighting the creativity of our students each year.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

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7. Notices of Motion – Nil

8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption - Nil

9. Trustee Inquiries

The crossing guard vacancies at two local intersections were discussed.

10. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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: Dan Dignard

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 Chair Petrella.

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the October 22, 2024 Board meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 26, 2024, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom