



**BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK
Catholic District School Board**

Minutes

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

**Board Meeting
April 28, 2026 ♦ 6:30 p.m.
Boardroom**

Trustees:

Carol Luciani (Chair), Bill Chopp (Vice-Chair), Dennis Blake, Dan Dignard, Toni Poirier
Mulan How (Student Trustee), Riley O'Brien (Student Trustee)

Regrets: Rick Petrella (Trustee)

Senior Administration:

Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Rajini Nelson (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer)
John Della Fortuna, Kevin Greco, Michael Lawlor, Phil Wilson (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer by Chair Luciani.

1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Toni Poirier

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the April 28, 2026, Board meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2026

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the March 24, 2026, Meeting of the Board.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

2. Presentations

3. Delegations -Nil

4. Consent Agenda

4.1 Unapproved Minutes form the Committee of the Whole Meeting – March 24, 2026

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting of March 24, 2026.

Carried



5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting - April 28, 2026

Vice-Chair of the Board, Trustee Chopp presented a summary of April 28, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting along with the recommendations which include:

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the Information and Communications Technology Use Policy #600.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the Electronic Monitoring Policy #400.18.

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 28, 2026.

Carried

5.2 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustees Mulan How and Riley O'Brien and Ryan Toft presented the student trustee report for the month of April.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Toni Poirier

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

Carried

5.3 Issuance of Tender #T-2026

Superintendent Nelson presented the Issuance of Tender Report for tender #T-2126. The Board requires the construction of new sewers and road improvements on Powerline Road from Old Farm Road to Park Road North to support the ongoing construction of St. Padre Pio Catholic Secondary School, located in the north end of Brantford, Ontario. The tender invites prequalified general contractors to bid for the supply of all labour, tools, materials, and equipment necessary for upgrades at the site noted above. The proposed updated schedule for the projects was noted. Discussion regarding the scope of the work was had.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Toni Poirier

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the issuance of Tender #T-2026.

Carried



5.4 Issuance of Tender #T-2126

Superintendent Nelson presented the Issuance of Tender Report for tender #T-2126. The Tender invites Bidders to provide contractor services for the supply of all labour, tools, materials, and equipment necessary for pavement reconstruction at St. Patrick School, Brantford, Ontario. The proposed schedule for the projects was noted. The scope of the work being completed was discussed.

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approve the issuance of Tender #T-2126.

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence- Nil

7. Notices of Motion - Nil

8. Notices of Motion being Considered for Adoption

Trustee Blake submitted the following Notice of Motion:

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board hereby rescinds all previous motions regarding boundary review changes for Norfolk County Catholic elementary schools that were scheduled to take effect in the 2026–27 school year.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

The motion was on the floor for debate.

The Trustees did not have any comments, further discussion, or initial debate regarding the Notice of Motion. Director McDonald was looked upon for further comment. He noted that the senior team and staff followed the administrative procedure for the Norfolk County Attendance Boundary Review which was a very democratic process beginning in October 2024. Committee meetings were held as well as a public consultation meeting where all members of the impacted school communities were invited to attend followed by the final committee recommendation to the Board. It was noted that at this point in time, schools are staffed, transportation has been set and communication has been sent out by the transition committee to all parents regarding these changes for September and this will be a complicated process to undo.

Chair Luciani called the question and noted that she would be voting.

All Trustees voted in favour.

Carried.

10. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Toni Poirier

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: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

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



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12. Future Meetings and Events

Chair Luciani drew attention to the upcoming meetings and events.

13. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was led by Chair Luciani.

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Toni Poirier.

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns April 28, 2026, Board meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 26, 2026, 6:30 p.m. – Boardroom