



**BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK
Catholic District School Board**

Minutes

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

**Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 30, 2021 ♦ 7:00 p.m.
Microsoft Teams**

Members: **Trustees:**
Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice-Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard,
Mark Watson, Alex Medeiros (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:
Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Scott Keys (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Rob De Rubeis, Kevin Greco, Lorrie Temple (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Vice-Chair Luciani.

1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the March 30, 2021 Board meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – February 23, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the February 23, 2021 Meeting of the Board.

Carried

Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes – March 12, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the March 12, 2021 Meeting of the Board.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil



2. Presentations

2.1 New Math Curriculum

Superintendent Temple shared a PowerPoint presentation introducing Ontario's new mathematics curriculum for Grades 1-8. The presentation reviewed changes, board priorities and how past work aligns with the new curriculum. An overview of de-streaming was also shared.

3. Delegations – Nil

4. Consent Agenda – Nil

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting - March 23, 2021

Vice-Chair Luciani reviewed the business of the March 23, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting and brought forward the following recommendations:

- THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the International Student COVID-19 Readiness Plan 2020-21.
- THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the new Conflict of Interest-Hiring Practices 300.24.
- THAT Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the revised Student Attendance Policy & AP 200.29.
- THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the revised Hiring – Academic Staff Policy and AP 300.10, as amended.

A friendly amendment was made to the Hiring-Academic Staff Policy & AP 300.10 as follows:

8.0 Monitoring and Evaluation

Data Collection

As directed by the Ministry of Education, the collection of teacher workforce demographic data will be used to provide the School Board with a foundation for well-informed discussions and decision-making regarding the vision for a diverse and inclusive workplace, as well as the policies, programs, and procedures that will help to achieve that vision, which the School Board is committed to adjusting as necessary.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the unapproved minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 23, 2021.

Carried



Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 23, 2021.

Carried

5.2 Student Trustee Update

Student Trustee Medeiros highlighted activities for Black History month. Daily announcements were made in lieu of an assembly where various forms of art and music by Black artists would typically be played. It was noted that Assumption College has been developing an ACE club to amplify and uplift Black students and community members. Elections for both student council presidents and Student Trustee are upcoming and will be held online this year. Holy Trinity did a "Battle of the Grades" spirit week in place of the original March break. Similarly, St. Johns had a "Wellness Week" where they had walks, workouts, and positive messages spread on the daily.

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

6.1 COVID Update

Director McDonald provided an update on asymptomatic testing. The board has now received a vendor and will be moving forward with next steps. A communication with details will be sent to staff and families in the next few days. It was noted that staff will be monitoring the upcoming Government of Ontario announcement regarding COVID-19. Staff continue to work closely with Public Health Units on anticipated new safety guidelines.

6.2 Director's Annual Report

Director McDonald reviewed the implementation of the strategic plan through the board and community. The report is available on the board website.

6.3 Letter regarding Priority Vaccinations (added item)

The Chair of the Board will send a letter, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, to the Premier of Ontario regarding the priority of vaccinations for education staff.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

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 - Nil

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: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

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: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the March 30, 2021 Board meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom