



BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK Catholic District School Board

Minutes

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

Board Meeting Tuesday, January 28, 2025 ♦ 7:00 p.m. Boardroom

Trustees:

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

Senior Administration:

Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Rajini Nelson (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer)
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 Trustee Dignard.

1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the January 28, 2025, Board meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – December 17, 2025

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the December 17, 2025, Meeting of the Board.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

2. Presentations -Nil

3. Delegations -Nil

4. Consent Agenda - Nil



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5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Unapproved Minutes and Recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Meeting - January 21, 2025

Vice-Chair of the Board, Trustee Dignard presented a summary of the January 21, 2025, Committee of the Whole meeting along with the recommendations which include;

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the proposed 2025/2026 School Year Calendars to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for approval.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 21, 2025.

Carried

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of January 21, 2025.

Carried

5.2 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustees Riley O'Brien and Ryan Toft presented the January student trustee report. Future grade nine open houses were had across the three high schools at the beginning of January and were a huge success. The achievements of the sports teams and clubs were noted at all three high schools along with upcoming International trips, valentines day activities and student senate initiatives.

Moved by: Mark Watson

Seconded by: Dennis Blake

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

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

6.1 Outstanding Contribution to Catholic Education Award

Chair Luciani presented the nomination for the Outstanding Contribution to Catholic Education award. This year's winner is former Trustee and Chair of the Board, Cliff Casey. Cliff's contributions to Catholic Education were recognized beyond his tenure as Trustee which include, his ongoing mentorship and involvement in community initiatives. Cliff will be recognized at the Catholic Student Leadership Awards Banquet in May 2025.

Moved by: Dennis Blake

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Information and Correspondence since the last meeting.

7. Notices of Motion - Nil

8. Notices of Motion being Considered for Adoption

9. Trustee Inquiries

Trustee Blake inquired about the next revised budget meeting.



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10. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Dennis Blake

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: 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 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: Dennis Blake

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the January 28, 2025 Board meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom