



**BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK  
Catholic District School Board**

**Minutes**

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

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**Budget Committee  
Tuesday, March 28, 2017 – 4:00 p.m.  
Boardroom**

**Present:** Rick Petrella (Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp Pat Daly, Dan Dignard, Tom Grice, Carol Luciani, Bonnie McKinnon, Pat Petrella, Chris N. Roehrig, Michelle Shypula, Leslie Telfer

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**1. Opening Prayer**

Rick Petrella opened the meeting with prayer.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon  
Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Budget Committee approves the agenda of March 28, 2017.  
**Carried**

**3. Approval of the Minutes**

Moved by: Carol Luciani  
Seconded by: Bonnie McKinnon

THAT the Budget Committee approves the Minutes of January 11, 2017.  
**Carried**

**4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest: Nil**

**5. Business Arising from the Minutes: Nil**

**6. Staff Reports and Information Items**

**6.1 Trustee Budget Items**

Trustees inquired about the forecast for the preliminary budget. Superintendent Grice indicated that without Grants for Student Needs (GSN) announcements from the Ministry, the budget is difficult to forecast. Student enrolment is projected to remain constant; with a very small increase in the elementary panel. Superintendent Grice indicated that the OECTA and OSSTF Extension Agreements may impact staffing allocations.

Trustees also inquired about funding for improvements to St. Frances Cabrini School as well as information regarding the Board's surplus, i.e., How did the Board get a surplus and how can it be accessed? Superintendent Grice provided the guidelines regarding the accumulation and spending of surplus. Some trustees indicated an interest in accessing the surplus funds.



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Interest from trustees with respect to upcoming budget were:

- Additional Special Education sections in secondary schools;
- Additional Special Education Resource Teacher (SERT) time in some schools;
- Additional Child and Youth Worker;
- Synervoice to be funded centrally; and
- Full-time Faith Animator.

Trustees requested a summary of staffing allocations as a result of recent Agreements.

7. **Trustee Inquiries:** Nil
8. **Business of the In-Camera Committee:** n/a
9. **Report on the In-Camera Session:** n/a
10. **Adjournment**

Moved by: Bonnie McKinnon

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Budget Committee adjourns the meeting of March 28, 2017.

**Carried**