

Minutes

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

Committee of the Whole Tuesday, October 29, 2021 ♦ 7:00 pm Boardroom/Microsoft Teams

Trustees:

Members: Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard,

Mark Watson, Aidan O'Brien (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: Carol Luciani Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board

approves the agenda of the October 19, 2021 meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

1.5 Approval of Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes – September 21, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board

approves the minutes of the September 21, 2021 meeting.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

2. Presentations - Nil

3. Delegations – Nil



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4. Consent Agenda

4.1 Unapproved Minutes from the Faith Advisory Committee Meeting – September 23, 2021

Moved by: Dan Dignard Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board received the unapproved

minutes of the Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of September 23, 2021.

Carried

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Elementary Class Sizes

Superintendent De Rubeis presented the board's current elementary class sizes. It was noted that school boards must continue to organize elementary classes in accordance with Ontario's class size regulation. A summary of O. Reg. 132/12: Class Size was provided. He advised that the board established class size compliance on September 14, 2021. It was noted that 92.5% of primary classes have 20 or fewer students, no primary classes are greater than 23 students and no kindergarten classes exceeded 30 students.

Moved by: Bill Chopp Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Elementary Class Size Report to the Brant

Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

Carried

5.2 Health and Safety Update

Superintendent Keys shared a summary of types of employee accidents and/or incidents from the preceding six months. The membership of the 2021-22 Joint Health and Safety Committee was also shared.

Moved by: Dan Dignard Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Health and Safety Update to the Brant Haldimand

Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

Carried

5.3 Self-Regulation District Plan Update

Superintendent Greco advised that current research suggests that youth of today and adults are experiencing an exponential increase in the amount of daily stress, compared to even a decade ago. The Self-Regulation plan is designed to inspire a shared self-reg vision and a common language for our district, when supporting students, staff and parents with mental wellness and stress management. An outline of the Shanker Self-Reg® process was shared and highlighted its consideration of both triggers and responses to stress and our underlying state of energy and tension when we encounter a stressor. It was noted that the goal of self-regulation is to identify, understand and respond positively to the roots of many behaviours, emotions and social challenges that affect children and families. System leaders will share consistent self-regulation



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resources based on a monthly theme with staff. The Working Committee meets monthly to debrief, share experiences, share/prepare resources and supports for the system.

Moved by: Cliff Casey Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Self-Regulation District Plan Update to the Brant

Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

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6. Information and Correspondence - Nil

7. Trustee Inquiries

Discussion was held regarding the Ministry requirements of class sizes.

8. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Dan Dignard Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves

to an In-Camera session.

Carried

9. Report on the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Dan Dignard Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board

approves the business of the In-Camera session.

Carried

10. Future Meetings and Events

Chair Petrella drew attention to the upcoming meetings and events.

11. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was led by Chair Petrella.

12. Adjournment

Moved by: Mark Watson Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board

adjourns the October 19, 2021 meeting.

Carried