



BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK Catholic District School Board

Minutes

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

Policy Committee Meeting Monday, March 9, 2020 ♦ 6:00 p.m. Boardroom

Members: **Trustees:**
Dan Dignard (Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Carol Luciani, Rick Petrella, Mark Watson

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

Absent: Rob De Rubeis, Kevin Greco

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Chair Dignard.

1.2 Attendance

Trustee Watson attended via teleconference.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Rick Petrella

THAT the Policy Committee of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of March 9, 2020 meeting.

Carried

1.4 Approval of Minutes from the Policy Committee Meeting – February 10, 2020

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Policy Committee of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the February 10, meeting.

Carried

1.5 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

2. Committee and Staff Reports

2.1 Catholic Family Life Program Policy 200.03

Superintendent Temple provided a background of the Family Life Curriculum. A summary of the recent changes in the curriculum was presented including concussion education and a review of the four strands: Social Emotional Learning Skills, Active Living, Movement Competence and Healthy Living. Information will be shared with families through letters before all units of study in the program. It was highlighted that parents are recognized as the primary educators of their children in all areas of faith and morals.

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Catholic Family Life Program Policy be vetted for stakeholder input during the public consultation period.

Carried



2.2 Policy Renewal Schedule

Director McDonald outlined the Policy Renewal Process. The renewal process will operate on a four year cycle and includes a feedback process where all stakeholders will have an opportunity to provide input. A chart outlining a schedule of policies to be reviewed was shared. Senior Administration members have been assigned a portfolio of policies. The Policy Committee reserves the right to bring forward a policy from the schedule for review.

Moved by: Mark Watson

Seconded: Carol Luciani

THAT the Policy Committee recommends that the Committee of the Whole refer the Policy Renewal Schedule Report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

Carried

3. Discussion Items

3.1 Pandemic Policy

Director McDonald reviewed the Pandemic Preparedness and Response Plan. A three-level approach to pandemic planning has been taken based on the World Health Organization's (WHO) phased approach. The plan includes an outline of cleaning standards and a summary of the role of the Pandemic Committee. The Chair of the Board, Director of Education and Manager of Communications will speak on behalf of the Board during a pandemic. It was noted that the Board would be under the guidance of the Medical Officer of Health and that any decisions to escalate operational procedures will be brought to the Board.

4. Trustee Inquiries

Trustee Chopp inquired as to the Community Use of Schools Policy would be brought forward. Superintendent Keys advised the policy is scheduled for review at the April Policy Committee meeting.

5. Adjournment

Moved by: Rick Petrella

Seconded by: Bill Chopp

THAT the Policy Committee of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the March 9, 2020 meeting.

Carried