



MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024
BOARD OFFICE, 151 DAIRY AVENUE, NAPANEE, ONTARIO AND VIRTUALLY VIA TEAMS

- A. (i) Opening Prayer:
Trustee Shea led the Board in prayer.

(ii) Roll Call:

Trustees:

T. Shea, Chair
J. Belanger
T. Dall
B. Evoy, Vice-Chair
J. Fernandes
P. McEnergy (regrets)
S. Murphy
A. Murrell
W. Procter
K. Turkington
E.J. Kelvin, Student Trustee
E. Shakell, Student Trustee
S. Narendranath, Student Trustee

Administration:

D. DeSantis, Director of Education
M. Faught, Superintendent of Education
D. French, Superintendent of Education
M. McGrath, Superintendent of Education
C. Smith-Dewey, Superintendent of Education
M. Lamarche, Superintendent of Human Resources
B. Bradshaw, Superintendent of Business & Financial Services
A. Woodland, Manager, Financial Services
B. Davies, Controller, Plant & Planning Services
S. Goyer, Manager, Learning Technology Services

All Trustees and Administration were present with the exception of Trustee McEnergy who sent his regrets.

(iii) Approval of Agenda:

MOVER: Trustee Turkington

SECONDER: Trustee Fernandes

THAT the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

(iv) Declarations of Interest:

Trustee Dall, Trustee Evoy, Trustee Turkington and Trustee Murphy declared a conflict of interest with item 4.b.(i) of the private agenda.

- B. 1. Motion to Move Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session:

MOVER: Trustee Evoy

SECONDER: Belanger

THAT approval be given to move to Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session.

CARRIED.

2. Motion to Reconvene the Regular Meeting and Approval of the Resolutions of the Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session:

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MOVER: Trustee Belanger

SECONDER: Trustee Turkington

THAT approval be given to reconvene the Regular Meeting and approval of the resolutions of the Committee of the Whole Board in Private Session.

CARRIED.

C. Action Items:

1. Land Acknowledgement
Director DeSantis opened the meeting with a land acknowledgement.
2. Vision, Mission, Values and Prayer Reflection – Student Trustee Kelvin
Student Trustee Kelvin led the Board in prayer.
3. Welcome to Visitors and Press:
Trustee Shea was pleased to welcome Meriel Taylor the new placement student in the Communications Department.
4. Presentations:
 - (a) Non-Staff:
None.
 - (b) Staff:
 - (i) Blessed Beyond Belief – An introduction to St. Thomas More Catholic School, Kingston
Superintendent Faught welcomed Principal Sandra Fragoso, who shared with Trustees highlights from St. Thomas More Catholic School.
5. (a) Approval of Board Meeting Minutes and Associated Recommendations:
 - (i) Board Meeting of February 27, 2024

MOVER: Trustee Murphy

SECONDER: Trustee Fernandes

THAT approval be given to the Minutes and Associated Recommendations of the Board Meeting of February 27, 2024.

CARRIED.

6. Business Arising Out of the Minutes:
None.
7. New Business:
 - (a) Education Programs/Services:
 - (i) Grade 7/8 Math Makers Program
Superintendent Faught welcomed Dan Finn, Principal, Loyola and Jen Johnston, Coordinator – Math who provided Trustees with an update on the Grade 7/8 Math Makers program sharing that Math Facilitators provide direct support in classrooms and the new math Team will identify and recommend targeted strategies to improve student achievement.
 - (ii) Transition to Kindergarten for Students with Special Education Needs
Superintendent McGrath welcomed Nicole Gray, Student Services Coordinator, Shauna Hoekstra, Clinical Team Lead; Alana McGilly and Maureen Murphy, Special Assignment Teachers who provided Trustees with an update on transitioning students with Complex Needs into the world of school



inclusive learning Environments.

(iii) Teaching from Joy

Superintendent McGrath welcomed Katie Bremner, Board Certified Behavioural Analyst, and Nichole Dever, Itinerant Educational Assistant who provided Trustees with an update on Student Services initiative Teaching from Joy; an initiative to build capacity in teaching staff in Skill Based Teaching and Practical Functional Assessment.

(b) Human Resources:

None.

(c) Other:

(i) New Regulation Feedback on O.Reg 463/97 Electronic Meetings and Meeting Attendance

MOVER: Trustee Evoy

SECONDER: Trustee Dall

THAT the Board of Trustees direct Administration to submit feedback on behalf of the Trustees to the Ministry of Education's proposed Regulatory Amendments to O.Reg. 463/97 – Electronic Meetings and Meeting Attendance.

CARRIED

Trustees had a discussion regarding the language around missing meetings and were asked to submit input to Laurie Newman in the Director's office by April 2, 2024.

(ii) Pride T-Shirts

Superintendent Smith-Dewey provided Trustees with information on the distribution of Pride T-Shirts for this year's Pride Month in June sharing the goal of these shirts is to demonstrate the ALCDSB's commitment to equity and inclusion, providing a space where everyone feels welcome.

(d) OCSTA Update:

None.

8. Items of Information:

(i) Facility Enhancement Review 2023/2024

This item was provided for information.

(ii) United Way KFL&A Campaign

This Item was provided for information.

(iii) Special Education Advisory Committee Minutes

This item was provided for information.

9. Pending Items:

None.

10. Correspondence:

None.

11. Chair's Report:

Chair Shea attended the Beacons of Hope Celebrations in Kingston and highly recommended Trustees attend



these events if they can as these students are exceptional members of our student body. He was also a part of a group of 20 presenters giving away over one hundred awards at the science fair at Duncan McArthur Hall.

12. Director's Report:

(i) Director of Education Report

This item was provided for information.

(ii) Good News Item – HR Buzz Report

This item was shared for information.

13. Trustee Community Linkages/Comments:

Student Trustee Narendranath was excited to share that she will be attending the OCSTA AGM, and student trustees have been working with Superintendent Smith Dewey and Sarah Cassidy to plan a student senate retreat.

Student Trustee Kelvin shared that she will be attending the OCSTA AGM and as the student trustee election is approaching, she has been talking with students in her region, sharing the benefits of the role of student trustee.

Student Trustee Shakell is looking forward to attending a basket weaving with the Indigenous Graduation Coaches.

Trustee Murrell attended the Catholic School Council Meeting and was impressed by our PreVenture Program which is piloting at Sacred Heart in Batawa and St. Paul in Trenton, as well as in two schools in the East. Trustee Murrell also had breakfast with the next year's CWL President who has exciting plans to promote a multicultural approach. Trustee Murrell informed the group of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Father Whalen's Ordination on April 28th after the 11am Mass at the St. Michael the Archangel Church in Belleville, followed by a multicultural feast in the gym at St. Michael Catholic School. Also, on April 27th, at the St. Michael Parish Centre, there is a fundraising dinner by forty of our own high school students who are going on a retreat to Steubenville, Ohio in June. Tickets are \$25 and all are welcome. Sign up at St. Michael Church or Trustee Murrell can sign up for you.

Trustee Murphy attended the Beacons of Hope Celebrations sharing that for him this is the highlight of the year in a lot of ways.

Trustee Evoy enjoyed the Beacons of Hope Celebrations and attended the school Mass at St. James Major CS. Trustee Evoy reminded trustees of the Holy Cross CSS Rock N' Roll fundraiser on Saturday, April 6th at 5:30 to support the Symphonic Band and Vocal Ensemble New York City trip.

Trustees Dall attended 3 Beacons of Hope Celebrations and has worked at 2 Belleville Senators hockey games selling 50/50 tickets for the ALCE Foundation. Trustee Dall also participated in a Supervised Alternative Learning (SAL) last week and attended a Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) meeting.

Trustee Fernandes shared that she has been busy with lent and the CWL and encouraged trustees to try and attend the Chrism Mass at St. Mary Cathedrale in Kingston on Tuesday, March 26th.

Trustee Turkington gave a big shout out to her new Empower Reading buddies and their teacher, Mrs. Pearson, from Sacred Heart Wolfe Island. "To Camden, Wesley, Jaxon and Owen, thank you for showing me your reading skills. Keep up the good work and it was a pleasure to have you show me exactly how beneficial this program is!" Trustee Turkington invited all trustees, senior staff and guests to attend the Boots and Buckles Hoe Down at the Italo-Canadian Club, Kingston in support of the Food Sharing Project on May 25th. Trustee Turkington shared

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that trustees have been asked as a group to contribute an item or basket to the auction. She will send around an envelope to collect contributions and purchase a gift card for the Keg with the proceeds. The envelope to contribute will also be available at the April 9th Committee meeting. Trustee Turkington also enjoyed attending the Beacons of Hope Celebrations.

Trustee Belanger invited trustees and administration to attend the 80's Neon Party, Food for Learning Student Benefit Auction Friday, May 10th at the Grand in Belleville. Doors open at 7:00 pm. She also attended the CWL meeting at St. Peter, Trenton and shared a trustee update with the group.

Trustee Procter wished everyone a happy Holy Easter.

C. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

T. Shea, Chair of the Board

D. DeSantis, Director of Education and
Secretary to the Board

Barb Woods
Recording Secretary