

**YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (YRDSB)
YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (YCDSB)**

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SESSION
JOINT BOARD CONSORTIUM**

The Joint Board Consortium meeting was held electronically on Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

YRDSB Trustees: L. Hoeg, R. Lynn, N. Mahmood, E. Cohen, P. McCarthy and C. Yu

YRDSB Staff: J. Fair and T. Dungey

YCDSB Trustees: F. Alexander, J. DiMeo, A. Grella and M. Iafrate

YCDSB Staff: C. McNeil, T. Pechovsky and D. Scuglia

STSYR Staff: N. Smith

Presiding: YRDSB Board Chair R. Lynn

Recording Officer: S. Infanti

Regrets: Trustee T. McNicol (YCDSB)

CALL TO ORDER

YRDSB Board Chair R. Lynn called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts were declared by trustees at this time.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(*)1. Moved by F. Alexander, seconded by L. Hoeg:

That the agenda be approved as written.

- Carried -

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(*)2. Moved by N. Mahmood, seconded by F. Alexander:

That the minutes of the October 19, 2022 Joint Board Consortium Public Session meeting be approved as written.

- Carried -

BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising from the minutes of the October 19, 2022 meeting.

DECISION ITEMS

Election of Joint Board Consortium Co-Chairs for 2022-2023

Election of Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair from York Catholic District School Board

YRDSB Board Chair R. Lynn called for nominations for the position of Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair from the York Catholic District School Board.

Trustee F. Alexander nominated Trustee J. DiMeo for the position Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair. Trustee M. lafrate seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed.

At this time, it was announced that YCDSB Trustee J. DiMeo had been acclaimed to the position of Co-Chair of the Joint Board Consortium for the 2022-2023 school year.

Election of Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair from York Region District School Board

YRDSB Board Chair R. Lynn called for nominations for the position of Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair from the York Region District School Board.

Trustee L. Hoeg nominated Trustee N. Mahmood for the position of Joint Board Consortium Committee Co-Chair. Trustee R. Lynn seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed.

At this time, it was announced that YRDSB Trustee N. Mahmood had been acclaimed to the position of Co-Chair of the Joint Board Consortium for the 2022-2023 school year.

At this time, Trustee N. Mahmood assumed the position of Co-Chair.

2023-2024 Proposed Meeting Schedule

Interim Manager, Student Transportation Services York Region (STSYR) N. Smith spoke to the proposed meeting schedule. The proposed Joint Board Consortium meeting schedule and locations for the 2023-2024 school year is as follows:

- Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at the York Region District School Board;
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at the York Catholic District School Board; and
- Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at the York Catholic District School Board.

(*)3. Moved by R. Lynn, seconded by J. DiMeo:

That the proposed meeting schedule and locations for the 2023-2024 school year be approved.

- Carried -

INFORMATION ITEMS

Funding Model Review Update

Interim Manager, STSYR N. Smith provided an update on the Ministry of Education's continuous review of the Student Transportation Funding Model. N. Smith highlighted that the Ministry is currently scrutinizing data with the aim of introducing a funding model for the 2023/2024 school year through the Grants for Student Needs (GSN). Once the Ministry has made a decision, each board will then review their respective transportation policies accordingly.

STYSR Service Update

Interim Manager, STSYR N. Smith provided a year-to-date service report for Student Transportation Services for York Region. N. Smith reported, despite service challenges caused by driver shortages, traffic, and construction delays, STSYR staff and operators have worked together to ensure optimal service delivery.

ADJOURNMENT

(*)4. Moved by L. Hoeg, seconded by J. DiMeo:

That the Joint Board Consortium Meeting Public Session adjourn at 4:28 p.m.

- Carried -