

**YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES
of the Special Board Meeting**

Thursday, March 21, 2024

PRESENT:

Members	In-Person:	E. Crowe, M. Iafrate, A. Saggese, J. Wigston
	Virtual:	F. Alexander, M. Barbieri, J. Di Meo, A. Grella, T. McNicol
Administration:	In-Person:	J. DeFaveri
Absent with Notice:		C. Cotton
Recording Officer:		K. Errett
Presiding:		M. Iafrate

2024:294 OPENING PRAYER AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair of the Board, Elizabeth Crowe, welcomed everyone to the Special Board meeting, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and opened with a prayer.

2024:295 ROLL CALL: C. Cotton - Absent with Notice**2024:296 APPROVAL OF NEW MATERIAL**

Item 17c) Membership to OCSTA Large/Urban Catholic School Boards Advisory Council

MOTION: Wigston/DiMeo

THAT the new material be approved as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

2024:297 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**MOTION: Iafrate/Saggese**

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

– MOTION CARRIED –

2024:298 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR CURRENT MEETING: NIL**2024:299 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR PREVIOUS MEETING: NIL****2024:300 APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES: N/A****2024:301 CHAIR'S REPORT / UPDATE / INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGES: N/A****2024:302 OCSTA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S UPDATE: N/A****2024:303 DIRECTOR'S REPORT/ UPDATE: N/A****2024:304 RECOGNITIONS / OUTSIDE PRESENTATIONS: N/A****2024:305 JOURNEY TOWARDS OUR VISION – STAFF PRESENTATIONS: N/A**

2024:306 ACTION ITEM(S) (including Committee Reports)**a) APPROVAL OF REPORT NO. 2024:14 SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (MARCH 21, 2024)**

Vice-Chair M. Iafrate provided (verbally) Report No. 2024:14 of the Special Committee of the Whole from March 21, 2024.

(i) DECLASSIFIED:**MOTION: Iafrate/Wigston**

THAT the York Catholic District School Board ratify the central terms contained within the Memorandum of Settlement and attached Appendices, dated March 5, 2024, made between the Ontario Catholic School Trustees Association and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association and Agreed to by the Crown. Further that the approval of the ratification of the central terms be reported to OCSTA.

– MOTION CARRIED –

(ii) CLASSIFIED:**MOTION: Iafrate/Wigston**

THAT the confidential action items from the Special Private Session held March 21, 2024, be approved as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

b) TRUSTEE MOTION: FRENCH IMMERSION AT ST. JOAN OF ARC CHS

Vice-Chair of the Board, M. Iafrate, put forth her Notice of Motion.

Whereas *students attending French Immersion at St. Joseph the Worker (Thornhill) and Blessed Trinity (Maple) elementary school would like to continue in the French Immersion program;*

Whereas *St. Joan of Arc secondary school is closer and can offer students at these elementary schools easier access to continue in the FI program;*

Whereas *reducing YRT travel time will give students the ability to participate in after school activities.*

MOTION: Iafrate/Saggese

THAT St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School offer the French Immersion Program to commence September 2024.

– MOTION CARRIED –

17c) MEMBERSHIP TO OCSTA LARGE/URBAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARDS ADVISORY COUNCIL (VERBAL)

Chair of the Board, Elizabeth Crowe, advised that OCSTA is seeking a representative from YCDSB on the OCSTA Large/Urban Catholic School Boards Advisory Council for which Vice-Chair M. Iafrate was appointed.

MOTION: Wigston/DiMeo

THAT Vice-Chair of the Board, M. Iafrate be appointed as the York Catholic District School Board representative on the OCSTA Large/Urban Catholic School Boards Advisory Council.

– MOTION CARRIED –

- 2024:307 DISCUSSION ITEM(S): NIL**
- 2024:308 INFORMATION ITEM(S): NIL**
- 2024:309 NOTICE OF MOTION**
- 2024:310 PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL**
- 2024:311 ADJOURNMENT – 7:36 p.m.**
ON MOTION: DiMeo/Wigston and CARRIED

Secretary of the Board

Chair of the Board