

**YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

**JOINT PUBLIC MEETING
MINUTES
of a Joint Board Meeting re
Education Development Charge Successor By-Law**

A joint York Catholic District School Board and York Region District School Board public meeting for the renewal of the Education Development Charge By-Law was held in the Board Room at the York Catholic District School Board, 320 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario, on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 6:57p.m.

PRESENT:

York Catholic District School Board:

Members: In Person: F. Alexander, M. Iafrate and J. Wigston
 Virtual: C. Cotton, E. Crowe, A. Grella and A. Saggese

Administration: In Person: J. De Faveri, J. Sarna, A. McDonald, C. McNeil and
 T. Pechkovsky
 Virtual: T. Steenhoek

Guest(s): In Person: Jack Ammendolia, Watson & Associates
 Jim Easto, Keel Cottrelle LLP

Absent with Notice: Trustees M. Barbieri, J. DiMeo and T. McNicol

Recording Officer: S. Greco, York Catholic District School Board

Presiding (YCDSB): M. Iafrate, Vice-Chair of the Board

York Region District School Board:

Trustee Members: In Person: C. Butterworth, J. Chen, E. Cohen, E. Law, R. Lynn,
 N. Mahmood, P. McCarthy and E. Sinclair
 Virtual: M. Chen and L. Hoeg

Also in Attendance: Virtual: Student Trustee M. Yu

Administration: In Person: B. Cober, L. Gilbert, T. Sprayson, V. Maharaj and T. Dungey
 Virtual: D. Adams

Absent with Notice: Trustees C. Liang, M. Wright and Student Trustee A. Vasserman

Presiding (YRDSB): R. Lynn, Chair of the Board

Min. #

2024 EDC:14

INTRODUCTION / ROLL CALL

York Catholic District School Board Vice-Chair, M. Iafrate called the Joint Meeting of the Boards to order at 6:57 p.m. and introduced the Board of Trustees from the York Catholic District School Board. Chair R. Lynn introduced the Board of Trustees from the York Region District School Board.

2024 EDC:15

OPENING PRAYER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Vice-Chair Iafrate led the opening prayer and read the YCDSB Land Acknowledgement.

2024 EDC:16

**CALL TO ORDER
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
WAIVING OF DELEGATION REQUIREMENTS**

1) York Region District School Board

MOTION: Sinclair/Cohen

THAT the agenda be approved as presented

- MOTION CARRIED -

and

MOTION: Sinclair/Cohen

THAT the normal requirement for delegations to have filed a copy of presentation in advance be waived.

- MOTION CARRIED -

2) York Catholic District School Board

MOTION: Wigston/Alexander

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

- MOTION CARRIED -

and

MOTION: Wigston/Alexander

THAT the normal requirement for delegations to have filed a copy of presentation in advance be waived.

- MOTION CARRIED -

2024 EDC:17

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FROM YORK
CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES: Nil**

2024 EDC:18

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FROM YORK REGION
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEES: Nil**

2024 EDC:19

OPENING REMARKS

YRDSB Chair Lynn advised that the Boards are proposing to enact successor Education Development Charge By-Laws and have previously conducted a review of their Education Development Charge policies

earlier that evening. Both Boards now wish to seek input from the public regarding their proposed new charges and by-laws and will give consideration to the submissions received prior to passing those by-laws. Chair Lynn further stated that this formal public meeting was required as per Section 237.63 of the *Education Act*.

YCDSB Vice-Chair lafrate advised that the YCDSB is also seeking input from the public and would give consideration to the submissions received prior to the passage of a new Education Development Charges By-Law. Vice-Chair lafrate invited the consultants to give an overview of the process leading to the proposed changes. The lawyer will be asked to explain briefly the text of the By-Laws which are found in the Background Studies. Members of the public were invited to address the Boards.

Final consideration to the passage of EDC By-Laws will be given at the May 21, 2024 Public Board Meeting. The Boards welcomed input in writing or orally.

2024 EDC:20

PRESENTATION: JACK AMMENDOLIA. WATSON & ASSOCIATES

YRDSB Chair, R. Lynn invited J. Ammendolia from Watson & Associates to present background information on the proposed new EDC By-Laws.

Mr. Ammendolia's presentation included the following topics:

- Existing charges and how they are applied.
- Requirements to pass an EDC By-Law.
- The calculation.
- Projected Enrolment for YRDSB and YCDSB.
- The residential growth forecast for 15 years.
- Net growth-related new pupil places.
- Legislated EDC eligible site sizes.
- Appraised land values.
- Proposed Charges for YRDSB and YCDSB.
- Differentiated rates.
- Phase-in of EDC rates.
- Next sSteps and important dates.

2024 EDC:21

PRESENTATION: JIM EASTO, KEEL COTTRELLE LLP

York Catholic District School Board Vice-Chair M. lafrate invited J. Easto of Keel Cottrelle LLP to explain the text of the draft By-Laws. Mr. Easto stated that the two bylaws for both Boards are identical except for the change in by-law numbers and that the Catholic Board is able to collect its full residential charge in Year 1 and therefore is not subject to any annual increase (ie, Phase in). It was noted that the by-laws have a five-year term, which is the maximum term.

2024 EDC:22

PUBLIC INPUT

YCDSB Vice-Chair M. Iafrate, invited members of the public to address the Board.

2024 EDC:23

DELEGATIONS

YRDSB Chair, R. Lynn invited delegations to address the Board. YCDSB staff presented correspondence from WeirFoulds LLP representing the Building Industry and Land Development Association that was received. It was noted that Board staff will review the submission and a final staff report will be presented at the May 21, 2024 public meeting.

2024 EDC:24

RECEIVE PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS

1) York Region District School Board

MOTION: Mahmood/Law

THAT the York Region District School Board receives the Education Development Charge Background Study and the presentations of the consults, counsel and speakers.

- MOTION CARRIED -

2) York Catholic District School Board

MOTION: Wigston/Alexander

THAT the York Catholic District School Board receives the Education Development Charge Background Study and the presentations of the consultants, counsel and speakers.

- MOTION CARRIED -

2024:EDC:25

CLOSING REMARKS

YCDSB Vice-Chair M. Iafrate stated the purpose of the public meeting was to inform the public about the EDC process and the proposed By-Laws for the two coterminous York Board. The meeting was held as required under Section 257.60 of the *Education Act*. Views heard this evening will be taken into consideration as they move forward in the process.

YRDSB Chair, R. Lynn advised that the formal public meeting to consider passage of the by-laws will be held May 21, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the offices of the York Region District School Board at 60 Wellington Street West in Aurora.

2024 EDC:26 ADJOURNMENT: 7:46 P.M.

1) York Region District School Board

MOTION: Sinclair/Butterworth

THAT the Joint Education Development Charge Public meeting be adjourned by the York Region District School Board.

- MOTION CARRIED -

2) York Catholic District School Board

MOTION: Cotton/Saggese

THAT the Joint Education Development Charge Public meeting be adjourned by the York Region District School Board.

- MOTION CARRIED -

Secretary of the Board

YCDSB Chair of the Board

Secretary of the Board

YRDSB Chair of the Board