

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

Tuesday, March 25, 2025

PRESENT:

Members: In Person: F. Alexander, E. Crowe, J. DiMeo, A. Grella, M. Iafrate,
A. Saggese, J. Wigston
Student Trustees M. Galstyan, S. Cuesta (arrived at 6:40 pm)
Virtual: M. Barbieri

Administration: In Person: J. De Faveri, J. Sarna, R. Antunes, A. Arcadi, M. Brosens, J. Chiutsi,
G. De Girolamo, A. Iafrate, T. Laliberte, C. McNeil,
S. Morrow, L. Paonessa, J. Powers, L. Sawicky
Virtual: S. Wright

Absent with Notice: Trustee C. Cotton

Approved Absence: Trustee T. McNicol

Recording Officer: S. Greco

Presiding: E. Crowe, Chair of the Board

2025:211 OPENING PRAYER AND CALL TO ORDER

Chair of the Board, Elizabeth Crowe, welcomed everyone to the Regular Board meeting at 7:30 pm and welcomed the Faith Ambassadors to lead the prayer followed by the Land Acknowledgement.

2025:212 ROLL CALL:

Trustee C. Cotton - Absent with Notice
Trustee T. McNicol - Approved Absence

2025:213 APPROVAL OF NEW MATERIAL: NIL**2025:214 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA****MOTION: DiMeo/Saggese**

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

2025:215 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR CURRENT MEETING: NIL**2025:216 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR PREVIOUS MEETING: NIL****2025:217 a) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

Regular Board Meeting of February 25, 2025
Special Board Meeting of March 18, 2025

MOTION: DiMeo/Alexander

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 25, 2025 and Special Board Meeting of March 18, 2025 be approved as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

2025:218 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: NIL**2025:219 CHAIR'S REPORT / UPDATE / INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGES:**

Elizabeth Crowe, Chair of the Board, provided the Chair's Report as part of the March 25, 2025 Regular Board Agenda. Topics included: Ordinandi Youth Event, A Special Mass at Father Michael McGivney CA, Board-wide Lenten Mass, Blessing of a New Cross for the CEC, Budget Survey, York Catholic Hosts OFSAA AAA Girls' Hockey Tournament and upcoming Elementary Basketball Tournament.

2025:220 OCSTA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S UPDATE:

Trustee Jennifer Wigston OCSTA Regional Director, representing York Catholic District School Board provided her report as part of the March 25, 2025 Regular Board Agenda. Topics included: OCSTA Trustee PD Modules, OESC Module Topics, AI Working Group and OCSTA AGM.

2025:221 DIRECTOR'S REPORT/ UPDATE:

Director of Education, J. De Faveri, provided his Director's Report in the March 25, 2025 Regular Board Agenda package. Topics included: ShareLife Week April 7-11, Upcoming YCPIC Events, World Down Syndrome Day, Thank You Alex Battick HREA and New Privacy Officer.

2025:222 STUDENT TRUSTEES' REPORT:

Student Trustees Monica Galstyan and Sabine Cuesta provided their Student Trustee Report to Board in the March 25, 2025 Regular Board Agenda package. Topics included: March Break, Indigenous Influencers Project and Feeder School Visits - Igniting Leadership Through Technology.

2025:223 RECOGNITIONS / OUTSIDE PRESENTATIONS: NIL**2025:224 DELEGATIONS: NIL****2025:225 JOURNEY TOWARDS OUR VISION:****a) Multi-Year Strategic Plan Mid-Year Assessment**

J. Sarna, Associate Director provided the Period 2 Reporting of the MYSP Year Plan (2024-2025 - Year 2). Ms. Sarna noted that there are 33 SMART goals and we are still on target and moving towards a positive attainment of all goals. A final assessment of the 33 SMART goals will be provided at the June 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. At that time, Ms. Sarna will also present the goals that will be developed in collaboration with various partners for Year Three of the Multi-Year Strategic Plan

The Board of Trustees thanked Associate Director Sarna, Senior Administration, Administrators, teachers, support staff for their commitment and progress on the goals in the Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

2025:226 ACTION ITEM(S) (including Committee Reports)**a) RECEIPT OF REPORT NO. 2025:04 SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Committee Chair, A. Grella, presented for receipt, Report No. 2025:04 of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on March 3, 2025.

MOTION: Grella/Wigston

THAT Report No. 2025:04 of the Special Education Advisory Committee meeting held on March 3, 2025, be received as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

b) RECEIPT OF REPORT NO. 2025:01 JOINT BOARD CONSORTIUM

Committee Co-Chair, A. Grella, presented for receipt, Report No. 2025:01 of the Joint Board Consortium Committee meeting held on March 5, 2025.

MOTION: Grella/DiMeo

THAT Report No. 2025:01 of the Joint Board Consortium Committee meeting held on March 5, 2025, be received as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

c) APPROVAL OF REPORT NO. 2025:03 POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE

Committee Chair, A. Saggese, presented for approval, Report No. 2025:03 of the Policy Review Committee meeting held on March 18, 2025.

MOTION: Saggese/DiMeo

THAT the Board approve the following revised policies:

Policy 106 Delegations to the Board

Delegations to the Board Procedure

Policy 425 Workplace Harassment

Workplace Harassment Procedure

Policy 413 Attendance Support Program

Attendance Support Program Procedure

- MOTION CARRIED -

2025:227 DISCUSSION ITEM(S): NIL

2025:228 INFORMATION ITEM(S):

a) Stouffville Boundary Amendments

G. De Girolamo, Coordinating Manager of Planning and Operations shared an update on next steps for the Stouffville Boundary Amendments as discussed at the February 25, 2025 Regular Board Meeting. Administration will bring a recommendation regarding the realignment of Stouffville Southwest to the April 29th Regular Board Meeting. The Stouffville Northeast amendment has been deferred to the Long term Accommodation Plan Steering Committee for further discussion at their next meeting of April 22, 2025.

b) Inviting and Inclusive Schools: Journey Towards Our Vision Update

S. Wright, Superintendent of Education: Inviting and Inclusive Schools provided an update on the initiatives undertaken by the Inviting and Inclusive Office. Three main areas of focus and expected outcomes are increased awareness and commitment, data-driven policies, sustainable equity efforts. The Board of Trustees commended Ms. Wright as the YCDSB is headed in the right direction with regards to inclusivity.

c) April 2025 Calendar

The April 2025 calendar was provided.

2025:229 NOTICES OF MOTION: NIL

2025:230 FUTURE AGENDA ITEM(S) / REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

RECESS AT 8:10 PM TO RECONVENE THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

RESUME REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT 9:51 PM

2025:231 ACTION ITEM(S) (including Committee Reports) - Continued:

APPROVAL OF REPORT NO. 2025:11 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Vice-Chair Maria Iafrate presented, for approval, Report No. 2025:11 of the Committee of the Whole private session held on March 25, 2025.

(i) **DECLASSIFIED (Action Items for Approval): N/A**

(ii) **CLASSIFIED:**

MOTION: Iafrate/DiMeo

THAT the confidential action items from the Private Session held March 25, 2025, be approved as presented.

– MOTION CARRIED –

2025:232 PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

2025:233 ADJOURNMENT – 9:52 pm
ON MOTION: Saggese/Iafrate and CARRIED

Secretary of the Board

Chair of the Board