

PUBLIC MEETING

Minutes
Executive Committee Meeting
 April 18, 2023

Chair: F. Alexander

Recorder: S. Greco

Present: F. Alexander, M. Iafrate, A. Saggese (Virtual), D. Scuglia, J. Sarna, T. Pechkovsky

Guest: N/A

Absent (with notice): E. Crowe

TOPIC	SUBSTANCE/DECISIONS
Opening Prayer	Chair Alexander opened the meeting at 1:00 pm with a prayer, followed by the Land Acknowledgement.
Roll Call	Trustee E. Crowe – Absent with Notice
Approval of the Agenda	Chair Alexander advised that none of the Delegation requests on the Executive Committee agenda were approved. Iafrate/Alexander - CARRIED
Previous Exec Minutes	March 21, 2023 Public Minutes were approved– Iafrate/Alexander- CARRIED
Business Arising	N/A
Presentation	N/A
Delegation Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Flying the Pride Flag – Paolo De Buono (ii) Acceptance and Evangelization at York Catholic DSB – Myles Vosylius (iii) YCDSB Students in Support of 2SLGBTQ+ Students – Patrick Mikkelsen, Isio Emakpor (iv) ASD Program – Theresa Notzi (v) ASD Program – Michael De Faria <p>The above delegations were not approved at the “Approval of the Agenda” section of the meeting.</p> <p><i>Post Meeting: Chair Alexander approved an exception to Policy 106 Delegations to the Board and approved all five delegations to be heard for 5 min each.</i></p>
Recognitions/Outside Presentations	N/A
Notices of Motion	<p>Identification of Gifted Learns – E. Crowe</p> <p><i>Whereas the PACE center at St. Paul CES in Newmarket is being closed due to low enrolment;</i> <i>Whereas two new PACE centers are being added, one in Markham and a second center in Richmond Hill;</i></p> <p><i>Whereas logically it makes no sense that one geographic quarter of the Board does not identify enough students to maintain an elementary gifted program whilst other geographic areas of the Board have higher concentration of identified Gifted Learners</i></p> <p><i>Whereas this calls into question whether or not the CCAT screening tool used by the Board, as a preliminary step to a psychological assessment, is bias-free and equitable.</i></p> <p>LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT a review of the current PACE screening process be undertaken from a Human Rights and Equity lens to ensure that the process is free of any social/ economic/racial biases.</p> <p>This Motion will be added as an Information Item on the April 25th Board Agenda.</p>
Regular Board Meeting Agenda	<p>The draft Board Agenda for March 28, 2023 was reviewed with the following changes:</p> <p>ADD: Correspondence to the Ministry of Education Follow-Up YCDSB Tutoring Support Program – Phase 1 and 2 International Language Extended Day – Exempt Students TRUSTEE MOTION: Identification of Gifted Learners (E. Crowe)</p>
Student Success & Pathways committee	The draft Board Agenda for May 15, 2023 was reviewed with no changes.
Future Board & Exec Cmte Meeting Requests	N/A

Director's Items	Alleged Discriminatory Comments – this item was moved to the Private Agenda (Executive Committee).
Chair's Items	N/A
Trustee Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Plexiglass in the School Offices (M. lafrate) – <i>June 7th Corporate Services</i> (ii) Stouffville Multi-Use Facility Update (M. lafrate) – <i>Apr 25th Board Agenda</i> (iii) Request for Info: Cost-Benefit Analysis for St. Katharine Drexel, etc (F. Alexander) - <i>Apr 25th Board Agenda</i> (iv) CCSTA Conference: Indigenous Funds (M. lafrate) - <i>TWU</i> (v) Tutoring Funds Two-Year Report (M. lafrate) - <i>Apr 25th Board Agenda</i> (vi) Update on Letter to the Ministry of Education (M. lafrate) - <i>Apr 25th Board Agenda</i> (vii) International Language Extended Day Report (M. lafrate) - <i>Apr 25th Board Agenda</i> (viii) Trustees' Attendance at Committee Meetings (M. lafrate) - <i>TWU</i> (ix) Use of "Business Arising" on Agenda (M. lafrate) <p>The above items were not individually addressed and redesignated as indicated above.</p>
Other	<p>May Calendar – the calendar was reviewed with no changes.</p> <p>List of "Notices of Motions" Outstanding to Date – information shared</p>
Next Executive Date	May 23, 2023 @ 1:00 pm
Adjournment	1:15 pm – lafrate/Alexander CARRIED