

PUBLIC MEETING

Minutes
Executive Committee Meeting
October 24, 2023

Chair: F. Alexander

Recorder: S. Greco

Present: F. Alexander, M. Barbieri (Virtual), E. Crowe, A. Grella (Virtual), M. Iafrate, A. Saggese, J. Wigston (Virtual), D. Scuglia, J. Sarna, T. Pechkovsky

Guest: N/A

Absent (with notice): N/A

TOPIC	SUBSTANCE/DECISIONS
Opening Prayer	Chair Alexander opened the meeting at 2:00 pm with a prayer, followed by the Land Acknowledgement.
Roll Call	All Executive Committee members present.
Approval of the Agenda	Add: Trustee Request: Update on Summer School Abroad (E. Crowe) Notices of Motion: Motion for Temporary Hiring Freeze (J. DiMeo) Trustee Request: Acceptance of Petition from Trustee Wigston (J. Wigston) Crowe/Iafrate - CARRIED
Previous Exec Minutes	September 19, 2023 Public Executive Minutes were approved– Iafrate/Saggese - CARRIED
Business Arising	N/A
Presentation	N/A
Delegation Requests	St. Cecilia CES & Feeder School (P. Tempio) St. Cecilia CES Students Feeding into St. Joan of Arc CHS (A. Badali-Santilli) The Executive Committee approved the 2 Delegation requests for the October 30th Regular Board Meeting. Campaign Life Coalition / National March for Life (M. Roche) The Executive Committee did not approve the delegation and asked that staff follow up in regards to the information they wanted to share to determine how best to share.
Recognitions/Outside Presentations	N/A
Notices of Motion	Advanced Placement / PACE Program (M. Iafrate, J. DiMeo) <i>Whereas families have received communication regarding the changes to the location of their child's secondary school AP/PACE Program location beginning 2024-2025 which Trustees have not been provided, contrary to the Board's Communication Policy 110 and the sudden changes have left families feeling stressed and worried about possible Mental Health concerns for their children;</i> <i>Whereas the changes have had a significant impact on these families in the community but yet there was no community consultation on the proposed changes, including a failure to establish a Boundary Review committee as outlined in the Board's Long Term Accommodation Plan (LTAP);</i> <i>Whereas the changes involve boundary changes which are not operational issues and require the approval of the YCDSB Board of Trustees for which there is no Board of Trustees resolution for the change;</i> <i>Whereas PACE/Advanced Placement programming falls under the powers of the Board of Trustees and no such approval was given by Trustees for the programming change;</i> <i>Whereas changes to the boundaries is a part of the LTAP process but were done outside the LTAP process without engaging the boundary review process.</i> Let it be resolved <i>THAT any changes to the Advanced Placement/PACE Program stop immediately, including the cancellation of the Board staff's proposed changes expected to take effect for the 2023-2025 school year.</i> <i>THAT immediate in-person information sessions take place with the affected communities to help them understand the issues;</i> <i>THAT any changes being considered by the Senior Staff of the Board to Advanced Placement/PACE Boundary or program changes be fully outlined in a detailed report to the Board of Trustees, explaining all the rationale for the proposed changes including students impacted, transportation costs, plans as to community consultation as per the LTAP process.</i>

	<p>After discussion was held, Vice-Chair lafrate agreed to amend her Motion by removing the 2nd resolution and changing the year in the first resolution as follows: THAT any changes to the Advanced Placement/PACE Program stop immediately, including the cancellation of the Board staff's proposed changes expected to take effect for the 2023-2024 school year. THAT any changes being considered by the Senior Staff of the Board to Advanced Placement/PACE Boundary or program changes be fully outlined in a detailed report to the Board of Trustees, explaining all the rationale for the proposed changes including students impacted, transportation costs, plans as to community consultation as per the LTAP process.</p> <p>This Motion will be added as an Information Item on the October 30th Regular Board Agenda.</p>
	<p>Temporary Hiring Freeze (J. DiMeo)</p> <p>Whereas the Board is currently in a deficit and as a result has many pressures throughout the Board; Whereas the Board will be having an audit conducted by the Ministry of Education which could provide strategies to assist in effective management of Board Processes; Whereas the Board current practices for hiring personnel need to be followed:</p> <p>Let it be resolved THAT effective immediately all hiring for new positions will cease until the Ministry completes the York Catholic District School Board's audit; THAT current vacant positions be brought to Trustees for approval; THAT all vacancies including "backfills" cease effective immediately; THAT when hiring resumes, going forward that the Board Hiring Policy be the framework for all hires because it is fair and transparent and follows Human Rights.</p> <p>This Motion will be added as an Information Item on the October 30th Regular Board Agenda.</p>
Regular Board Meeting Agenda	<p>The draft Board Agenda for October 30, 2023 was reviewed with the following changes:</p> <p>MOVE 18e to 18a YCDSB Gender, Sexuality and Catholic Education Committee Terms of Reference 2022 MOVE 18a to 18e Finding Transportation Efficiencies Thru School Bell Times Review</p> <p>ADD: the wording "+ Staff Report" to 17a: TRUSTEE MOTION: Trip Application ADD Policy 106 Delegations to the Board under Action16m ADD 2024 OCSTA Resolutions Information Package (Information) ADD: Report from Executive: To re-establish Transportation Review Committee ADD: Acceptance of Petition from Trustee Wigston under Chair's Report ADD: TRUSTEE MOTION: Advanced Placement /PACE Program (M. lafrate/J. DiMeo) as Information ADD: TRUSTEE MOTION: Temporary Hiring Freeze (J. DiMeo) as Information ADD: Advanced Placement Multiplier as Information</p>
Audit Committee Agenda	<p>The draft Audit Committee Agenda for November 13, 2023 was reviewed with no changes.</p> <p>It was requested to move the start time of the SEAC Committee on Monday, November 13, 2023 to start at 7:30 pm to allow more time for discussion during the Audit Committee (In-Camera and Public) sessions. SEAC Committee Chair Jennifer Wigston will confirm if SEAC can start at 7:30 pm, or move the date altogether.</p>
Special Board Agenda	<p>The draft Special Board Agenda for November 13, 2023 was reviewed with no changes.</p>
Inaugural Board Meeting	<p>The draft Inaugural Board Agenda for November 20, 2023 was reviewed with slight changes as per the Board's Operational By-Law.</p>
Future Board & Exec Cmte Meeting Requests	<p>N/A</p>
Director's Items	<p>Invitation to Anne O'Brien - OCSTA Director Scuglia will extend an invitation to Anne O'Brien from OCSTA to provide a workshop for Trustees on the <i>Catholic Identity and Living Relationally: The Dignity of the Human Person</i> to occur in the new year.</p> <p>Dual Feeder Notices (T. Pechkovsky) Trustees expressed their concern with the timing of the notices that were sent out to certain communities from Planning, which caused concern and confusion. The Trustees advised that such important information should be shared ahead of time and brought to the forefront and shared with all Trustees. Trustee Saggese asked that a statement be given at the October 30th Board Meeting reiterating that this change in</p>

	<p>service was not initiated by YCDSB Board of Trustees. But rather, it was a notice from Student Transportation Services. Explanation as to why the review was done was also requested.</p> <p>It was agreed that a message will be added to the Director's Report so that clarification is in writing.</p>
	<p>2024 OCSTA Resolutions Information Package The Executive Committee agreed to add this information package as Information to the October 30th Regular Board Meeting agenda. Calum McNeil will be asked if he has any financial resolutions that can be added.</p> <p>Schedule Date for eScribe Demo for Trustees The Executive Committee advised that further to the September Board meeting, staff was to return with a business case with a detailed breakdown of what \$30K gets you - cost of courier delivery, etc. Was a RFP done, etc.</p>
Chair's Items	N/A
Trustee Requests	<p>Transportation Committee (M. lafrate) Vice-Chair lafrate advised that she wanted to reestablish the Transportation Review Committee. It was agreed that a Motion from Executive to reestablish the Transportation Ad-Hoc Committee will be added to the October 30, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.</p> <p>Advanced Placement Program (M. lafrate) Vice-Chair lafrate advised that information was sent to schools without Trustees being informed. Discussion around the fact that AP Program is more aligned under curriculum vs student services.</p> <p>Update on Request for Approval to Distribute Safe Space Stickers (M. lafrate) Vice-Chair lafrate advised that she is still waiting to receiving in writing directions on this item.</p> <p>Update on Summer Travel Abroad Trustee Elizabeth Crowe asked that information around any summer travel should be shared with stakeholders ASAP. D. Scuglia advised that the Curriculum Department will be putting out preliminary information to announce the summer program.</p> <p>Petition Received (J. Wigston) Trustee Wigston advised that she will be presenting a petition given to her by her constituents at the October 30th Regular Board Meeting. It was agreed that the item, "Acceptance of Petition from Trustee Wigston" be added under the Chair's Report on the agenda.</p>
Other	<p>November Calendar – the calendar was reviewed with no changes.</p> <p>List of "Notices of Motions" Outstanding to Date – the list was shared with a slight change needed.</p>
Next Executive Date	November 21, 2023 @ 3:00pm
Adjournment	3:21pm – lafrate/Saggese CARRIED