



BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK Catholic District School Board

Agenda

Catholic Education Centre
322 Fairview Drive
Brantford, ON N3T 5M8

Board Meeting Tuesday, January 25, 2022 ♦ 7:00 p.m. Microsoft Teams

Trustees:

Members: Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard, Mark Watson, Aidan O'Brien (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:

Michael McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Scott Keys (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Robert De Rubeis, Kevin Greco, Lorrie Temple (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

Almighty God, bless us as we gather today for this meeting. Guide our minds and hearts so that we will work for the good of our community and be a help to all people. Teach us to be generous in our outlook, courageous in the face of difficulty, and wise in our decisions. We give you praise and glory, Lord our God, for ever and ever. Amen

1.2 Attendance

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

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Presenter: Aidan O'Brien, Student Trustee

6. Information and Correspondence

6.1 COVID Update

7. Notices of Motion

8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption

8.1 Eliminating Restrictions on Extra Curricular Activities

9. Trustee Inquiries



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10. Business In-Camera

- 207 (2) Closing of certain committee meetings. A meeting of a committee of a board, including a committee of the whole board, may be closed to the public when the subject-matter under consideration involves:
- The security of the property of the Board;
 - The disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect of a member of the board or committee, an employee or prospective employee of the board or a pupil or his or her parent or guardian;
 - The acquisition or disposal of a school site;
 - Decisions in respect of negotiations with employees of the board; or
 - Litigation affecting the board.

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13. Closing Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank you for your gifts to us: for making us, for saving us in Christ, for calling us to be your people. As we come to the end of this meeting, we give you thanks for all the good things you have done in us. We thank you for all who have shared in the work of this Board, and ask you to bless us all in your love. We offer this prayer, Father, through Christ our Lord. Amen

14. Adjournment



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**Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 14, 2021 ♦ 7:00 p.m.
Boardroom/Microsoft Teams**

Members: **Trustees:**
Rick Petrella (Chair), Carol Luciani (Vice-Chair), Cliff Casey, Bill Chopp, Dan Dignard,
Mark Watson, Aidan O'Brien (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:
Mike McDonald (Director of Education & Secretary), Scott Keys (Superintendent of Business & Treasurer), Rob De Rubeis, Kevin Greco, Lorrie Temple (Superintendents of Education)

1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Vice-Chair Luciani.

1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the December 14, 2021 Board meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest - Nil

1.5 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – November 23, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the November 23, 2021 Meeting of the Board.

Carried

Approval of Annual Board Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the December 7, 2021 Annual Meeting of the Board.

Carried

Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the December 7, 2021 Special Meeting of the Board.

Carried



1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

2. Presentations

2.1 Christmas Message from the Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines

A Christmas video messages from the Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines was shared.

3. Delegations – Nil

4. Consent Agenda - Nil

5. Committee and Staff Reports - Nil

6. Information and Correspondence

6.1 COVID Update

Director McDonald advised that schools will be sending home rapid antigen testing kits. Upon the return to school after the winter break in January, elementary students will be required to confirm screening for the first two weeks. Grade 7/8 students will be able to verbally attest. And K-6 will have a form sent home with parent signature. It was noted that high schools will be returning to a semester system on February 4, 2022.

Trustee Watson asked for student feedback on the different systems. Director McDonald noted that principals will be holding discussions with staff and students.

Vice Chair Luciani inquired as to supports being provided for students who may have a heavy course load when switching back to four courses. Director McDonald advised that a variety of supports will be made available to students leading up to the semester.

Student Trustee O'Brien noted that the guidance department is very helpful in ensuring that courses are balanced and coordinated.

Trustees extended congratulations to St. John's College students who won the team sportsmanship award at OFSAA.

Superintendent Keys provided an outline of the status of community use of school. Permits are being issued to non-profit youth groups with participants who have been fully vaccinated. User groups will be responsible for ensuring all public health and safety guidelines are adhered to. Permits will only be available on evenings during the week at this time.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence items since the last meeting.

Carried



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7. Notices of Motion

Trustee Watson introduced the following motion:

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board no longer puts restrictions on student extra-curricular activities based on the lack of data that children are at risk of serious illness due to COVID-19.

8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption - Nil

9. Trustee Inquiries

Trustee Chopp noted that St. John's College graduation is scheduled on a board meeting night.

10. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an In-Camera session.

Carried

11. Report on the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Mark Watson

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the business of the In-Camera session.

Carried

12. Future Meetings and Events

Chair Petrella drew attention to the upcoming meetings and events.

13. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was led by Chair Petrella.

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the December 14, 2021 Board meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom



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**Committee of the Whole
Tuesday, January 18, 2022 ♦ 7:00 pm
Microsoft Teams**

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Mark Watson, Aidan O'Brien (Student Trustee)

Senior Administration:
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1. Opening Business

1.1 Opening Prayer

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Vice Chair Luciani.

1.2 Attendance

Attendance was as noted above.

1.3 Approval of the Agenda

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the January 18, 2022 meeting.

Carried

1.4 Declaration of Interest – Nil

1.5 Approval of Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2021

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Mark Watson

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the November 16, 2021 meeting.

Carried

1.6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Nil

2. Presentations - Nil

3. Delegations – Nil



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4. Consent Agenda

4.1 Unapproved Minutes from the Faith Advisory Committee Meeting – November 18, 2021

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board received the unapproved minutes of the Faith Advisory Committee Meeting of November 18, 2021.

Carried

4.2 Unapproved Minutes from the Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting - November 24, 2021

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board received the unapproved minutes of the Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee Meeting of November 24, 2021.

Carried

4.3 Unapproved Minutes from the Friends of the Educational Archives AGM - October 13, 2021

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board received the unapproved minutes of the Friends of the Educational Archives AGM of October 13, 2021.

Carried

4.4 Unapproved Minutes from the Budget Committee Meeting – December 14, 2021

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board received the unapproved minutes of the Budget Committee Meeting of December 14, 2021.

Carried

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1 Integrated Accessibility Plan Annual Report

Superintendent Keys highlighted the Accessibility Committee's work to investigate and address barriers for people with disabilities in all facilities and review regulations, policies and programs, practices and services offered by the Board. It was noted that as of December 31, 2021, the Board is in compliance with the standards, and timelines as directed by the Government of Ontario. Superintendent Keys advised that staff regularly seek to identify any potential barrier for students, staff or community member and respond as appropriate.

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole refers the Integrated Accessibility Plan Annual Report to the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board for receipt.

Carried



6. Information and Correspondence

6.1 COVID Update

Director McDonald provided a summary of the recent directives from the Ministry of Education. Staff have been provided N95 masks and masks for students are currently being distributed to schools. It was announced that some schools would be holding vaccination clinics. The board will be working with local public health units to determine locations. Students will require a signed parental/guardian consent form to attend the clinic. The Ministry also identified that we are to resume cohorting outdoors. He provided an outline of the updated COVID-19 school and childcare screening tool. All students and staff and will also be receiving two rapid antigen tests. Attendance reporting will also transition to reporting by percentage of total daily absences. This data will be posted on the board website.

Student Trustee O'Brien asked about the impact of online learning for high school students in the past two weeks upon the return from winter break. Superintendent Temple advised that principals have been reminded to extend compassion while conducting assessments and evaluation and highlight the importance of demonstrating learning.

Moved by: Dan Dignard

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the information and correspondence since the last meeting.

Carried

7. Trustee Inquiries - Nil

8. Business In-Camera

Moved by: Carol Luciani

Seconded by: Cliff Casey

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board moves to an In-Camera session.

Carried

9. Report on the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Bill Chopp

Seconded by: Dan Dignard

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board approves the business of the In-Camera session.

Carried

10. Future Meetings and Events

Chair Petrella drew attention to the upcoming meetings and events.

11. Closing Prayer

The closing prayer was led by Chair Petrella.



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12. Adjournment

Moved by: Cliff Casey

Seconded by: Carol Luciani

THAT the Committee of the Whole of the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board adjourns the January 18, 2022 meeting.

Carried

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 15, 2022, 7:00 p.m. – Boardroom

REPORT TO THE BRANT HALDIMAND NORFOLK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Prepared by: Aidan O'Brien, Student Trustee
Presented to: Board of Trustees
Submitted on: January 25, 2022
Submitted by: Mike McDonald, Director of Education & Secretary

STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT

Public Session

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

At the January senate meeting, we had a Student Demographic Survey presentation where we were asked to give suggestions for how we could increase student participation in the survey. Some of the suggestions to increase participation in the survey included giving kids rewards (e.g., extra dress down days), staff promotion, and a promotional video. We were also asked if we thought that it should be called a census or survey. Follow up consultation is being planned.

The Student Senate group volunteered at St. Vincent de Paul in December. Hopefully we will be able to volunteer again when restrictions lift.

DEVELOPMENTS:

It was very clear that kids were happy to be back at school again but stressed about how the online learning would affect their grades. To help with this, Superintendent Temple sent out an email to principals asking the secondary teachers in the board to exercise empathy and be considerate and compassionate when it comes to culminating activities and marks this quad.

SCHOOL NEWS:

At Assumption College school they hosted coffee house and karaoke night. Both events were a big success, and it was encouraging to see the community coming together for events again. They also had spirit week leading up to Christmas. On the last day of school before Christmas break, Assumption had a liturgy, and the student council ran events such as Kahoot trivia over teams for all classes. They also ran their Pennies for Heaven campaign which raised over \$8000.

Holy Trinity hosted an outdoor student council retreat in November. The principal at the school allowed them to host the school's traditional turkey dinner subject to all required COVID food handling protocols and the selling of candy grams was a success. They also had a very successful spirit month in December and are working on planning for Black History month.

St. John's College school had a very successful countdown to Christmas this December and actively posted on their Instagram account throughout the extended break. They are currently planning a mental health promotion as we approach exams. They are also planning to run a matchmaker activity on Valentine's Day.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board receives the Student Trustee Report.
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2021-22
Trustee Meetings and Events

Date	Time	Meeting/Event
February 9, 2022	3:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting
February 10, 2022	3:00 pm	Policy Committee
February 15, 2022	1:00 pm	Special Education Advisory Committee
February 15, 2022	7:00 pm	Committee of the Whole
February 22, 2022	7:00 pm	Board Meeting
February 28, 2022	1:00 pm	Accessibility Steering Committee
March 9, 2022	3:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting
March 10, 2022	3:00 pm	Policy Committee
March 15, 2022	1:00 pm	Special Education Advisory Committee
<i>March 14-18, 2022</i>		<i>MARCH BREAK</i>
March 22, 2022	7:00 pm	Committee of the Whole
March 24, 2021	1:00 pm	Faith Advisory Committee
March 29, 2022	7:00 pm	Board Meeting
April 13, 2022	3:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting
April 14, 2022	3:00 pm	Policy Committee
April 19, 2022	1:00 pm	Special Education Advisory Committee
April 19, 2022	7:00 pm	Committee of the Whole
April 21-23, 2022		OCSTA AGM & Conference
April 25, 2022	3:00 pm	Budget Committee
April 26, 2022	7:00 pm	Board Meeting
April 27, 2022	7:00 pm	Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee
<i>May 1 - May 6, 2022</i>		<i>Catholic Education Week</i>
May 11, 2022	3:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting
May 12, 2022	3:00 pm	Policy Committee
May 17, 2022	1:00 pm	Special Education Advisory Committee
May 17, 2022	7:00 pm	Committee of the Whole
May 19, 2021	1:00 pm	Faith Advisory Committee
May 24, 2022	9:00 am	Student Transportation Services BHN
May 24, 2022	7:00 pm	Board Meeting
May 25, 2022	7:00 pm	Regional Catholic Parent Involvement Committee
May 30, 2022	1:00 pm	Accessibility Steering Committee
June 2-4, 2022		CCSTA AGM
June 9, 2022	3:00 pm	Policy Committee
June 14, 2022	3:00 pm	Budget Committee
June 15, 2022	3:00 pm	Executive Council Meeting
June 20, 2022	5:00 pm	Audit Committee
June 21, 2022	1:00 pm	Special Education Advisory Committee
June 21, 2022	7:00 pm	Committee of the Whole
June 28, 2022	4:30 pm 7:00 pm	St. John's College Graduation Board Meeting
June 29, 2022	4:45 pm	Assumption College Graduation

Meetings scheduled at the Call of the Committee Chair: Accommodations Committee, Audit Committee, Budget Committee, Faith Advisory Committee, Policy Committee