



Highlights

from the February 26, 2018 Board Meeting

All Saints Catholic Secondary School

Thank you to the All Saints Catholic Secondary School choir for opening the meeting with a harmonic performance of O Canada and prayerful song.



Stewards of Creation



Students from St. Mary Catholic Secondary School were recognized for being selected as finalists for their submission to the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association's (OCSTA) short video contest along the theme of "Stewards of Creation." The video, highlights PickWaste, a community initiative that was started as an effort to clean up the community and is a testament

to the leadership role these students have played in caring for God's creation.

Safe and Accepting Schools

Janine Bowyer, Superintendent of Safe Schools shared the winning entries of the DCDSB multi-media contest which launched in the fall. These include artwork from Noah Santos at All Saints Catholic Secondary School, and the Kindness Matters video submitted by a group of students at St. John Paul II Catholic School.

Congratulations to all winners. Their work can be viewed at dcdsb.ca.



Superintendent Bowyer also shared an overview of the Board's Safe and Accepting Schools initiatives which fall under the four pillars to the Wellbeing Strategy: Equity and Inclusive Education; Safe and Accepting Schools; Healthy Schools; and Positive Mental Health. Some of the initiatives include:

- 2016 School Climate Results – key learning from Dr. Wendy Craig at PREVNet
- Safe and Accepting School Weeks
- Elephant in the Room Campaign



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- School Improvement Planning

DCDSB Chaplains Report



Superintendent Rosemary Leclair, together with the Chaplaincy Team Leads from each DCDSB Catholic secondary school, provided the Board of Trustees with a view on Secondary School Chaplaincy. The Chaplains shared their experiences in promoting the spiritual dimension of the school through their work in the following areas:

- Retreat work
- Social Justice and Charity
- Liturgical life of the school and liaison with the Parishes
- Pastoral Care
- Adult Faith Formation
- Student leadership and student voice.

Through the Ministries of Presence, Advocacy, Celebration and Worship, Witness and Accompaniment, our Chaplains truly strive to enliven the faith dimension in our schools.

Multi-Year Budget Framework



Superintendent Putnam presented the updated Multi-Year Budget Framework. The framework projects the Board's overall financial position for the next five years through 2023. Significant factors incorporated in the framework include anticipated enrolment growth, unfunded leave plan costs, minimum wage implications and student transportation. The Finance Committee will be engaging the Broader Catholic Community in its annual budget consultation process in early

April. Staff will present the first draft of the budget in May with final approval by the Board of Trustees being sought at the June Board meeting.



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Update from Tricia Chapman, Chair of the Board



Chair Tricia Chapman thanked staff and members of the community who attended the Showcase of the Arts this week, showcasing the amazing talent of our students across the board. She also thanked staff members for the integral role they play in enhancing DCDSB's Arts programs.

Chair Chapman noted that auditions for the upcoming Regional Arts and Media Program scheduled to open at All Saints Catholic Secondary School in September 2018 took place in January and February. "We look forward to welcoming students to the All Saints community in the fall through this exciting program," Chair Chapman said.



Chair Chapman commented on the enthusiasm across DCDSB schools, celebrating and honouring Black History Month throughout the month of February. "I congratulate schools on an enriched curriculum within the context of Black History," she said, noting she was inspired when at an assembly dedicated to Black History and inclusion at St. Luke the Evangelist Elementary School. She also expressed that it was an honour to be on panels honouring Black History in the context of

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion at Monsignor John Pereyema Catholic Secondary School in Oshawa and Father Leo J. Austin Catholic Secondary School in Whitby.

Having entered the season of Lent, and as a Catholic school system in this Year of Service, the Chair thanked trustees and staff for their presence, their prayers and their offerings toward the Year of Service initiative on February 24, working together to prepare 18 casseroles that were donated to the Good Shepherd Ministries. She extended her wishes to all with "reflections that strengthen our relationship with God as we remain true to our calling as leaders in Catholic education."



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Update from Anne O'Brien, Director of Education



Director O'Brien acknowledged and thanked students and staff for hosting Black History Month celebrations and activities throughout the month of February. "Chair Chapman and I had the opportunity to visit schools during some of these events, and we are amazed at the enriched learning opportunities that this month presents, and the creativity that is involved in planning and coordinating the inspiring speakers, presentations, talent shows, announcements and other activities that honoured black history and culture. We look forward to ongoing activities to take place beyond Black History Month as we celebrate and embrace the diverse culture among our Durham Catholic schools," she said.

The Director also acknowledged that today is the first day of Stand Up to Bullying Week in DCDSB schools. In connection with the board's Year of Service, the theme is Serving My School Community through Acts of Kindness. Director O'Brien extended congratulations to the winners of our Stand Up to Bullying multi-media contest. Their work can be viewed at dcdsb.ca. She encouraged all Trustees and guests present to join students and staff in a collective movement to stand up to bullying on Pink Shirt Day this Wednesday, February 28.

Director O'Brien mentioned that upcoming plans in support of the Durham Catholic Children's Foundation are in place. Tickets for the Annual Foundation Gala on May 3 can be purchased at durhamcatholicfoundation.ca. "We look forward to once again celebrating Our Most Reverend Bishop Vincent Nguyen and our 2018 Distinguished Catholic Alumni," she said.



February 14 was Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of our Lenten journeys for 2018. Director O'Brien thanked Deacon Dominic Pullano for facilitating Lenten prayers for staff at the Catholic Education Centre in our Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi, and to school staff for organizing Liturgies and prayers throughout the season of Lent.



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- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the Record Keeping of Minutes of Board and Committee Meetings report dated February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board approve the replacement of the Board Room Audio Visual System as per Option 3.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board develop an Ad Hoc Committee, and conduct a review of the recording process and published content of Minutes in school boards.
- That the Durham Catholic School Board receive as information the minutes of the February 12, 2018 School Year Calendar Committee meeting.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive and file as information the Safe and Caring Schools Update.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive and file as information the presentation on Durham Catholic Secondary School Chaplaincy.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the Multi-Year Budget Framework as presented by staff on February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the 2018/2019 School Year Calendar report dated February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board approve the 2018/2019 School Year Calendars for elementary and secondary schools, subject to final approval by the Ministry of Education.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the report entitled Interim Accommodation Options St. Marguerite D'Youville Catholic School dated February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board approve the relocation of students of St. Marguerite D'Youville Catholic School to St. John the Evangelist Catholic School to facilitate reconstruction as outlined within the report.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive, for information the Unnamed North Oshawa Catholic Elementary School Boundary Report dated February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board approve 'In Principle' the proposed boundary revisions for Father Joseph Venini Catholic School and the



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New Unnamed North Oshawa Elementary School outlined in the report dated February 26, 2018.

- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the report entitled Long Term Accommodation Plan 2016-2020 Update dated November, 2017.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive as information the Trustee Determination and Distribution report dated February 26, 2018.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board identifies the Township of Scugog, Township of Uxbridge and Township of Brock as low population Municipalities in compliance with Ontario Regulation 412/00. The sum of the electoral quotients for these municipalities shall be increased by one (1).
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board will make no changes to the current number or distribution of elected Trustees for the 2018 municipal elections.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board approve the revised Schedule of Board and Committee Meetings for the 2017-2018 school year.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive and file as information, Trustees Attendance Report for the period January to December 2017.
- That the Durham Catholic District School Board receive and file as information the following correspondence: Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association Government of Canada Summer Jobs Program.

Announcements

Monique Forster, Vice-Chair of the Board, made the following announcements:

Resignation

Effective February 14, 2018:

Name	Current Placement
Shannon Brady	Vice Principal, Notre Dame CSS



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Appointment to Secondary Vice-Principal Roster

Effective March 19, 2018:

Name	Current Placement
Joseph Longo	Curriculum Chair, St. Mary CSS

Placement ss Interim Secondary Vice-Principal

Effective March 19, 2018:

Name	Current Placement	New Placement
Joseph Longo	Curriculum Chair, St. Mary CSS	Interim Vice-Principal, St. Mary CSS

Secondary Vice-Principal Transfer

Effective March 19, 2018:

Name:	Current Placement:	New Placement
John Di Ianni	Vice Principal, St. Mary CSS	Vice-Principal, Notre Dame CSS

Retirement

Name	Current Position	Effective
Sandra Filetti	Teacher, St. Bridget CS	April 30, 2018

Minutes of the February 2018 Board Meeting will be posted on the board website as part of the agenda for the next Regular Board Meeting of Monday, March 19, 2018.