

# NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting (Virtual) held on January 19, 2022 at the Catholic Education Center.

**PRESENT:**

<b>Trustees:</b>	Martin Drainville t/c Elizabeth King t/c Colleen Landers t/c Denis Lincez t/c Ron MacInnis t/c Steve Malciw t/c Fred Salvador Glenn Sheculski t/c Stan Skalecki t/c
<b>Student Trustee:</b>	Emma Mills
<b>Administration:</b>	Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education Jennifer Dunkley, Superintendent of Education Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business
<b>Staff:</b>	Michele Mahaffy, Executive Assistant and Recorder
<b>Regrets:</b>	Nil
<b>Guests:</b>	Nil

**A CALL TO ORDER**

**Opening Prayer**

The Chair acknowledged that we were on the Traditional Territory of the Ojibway and Oji-Cree people of the Mattagami First Nation, located in Treaty 9 and acknowledged that others were joining us from additional treaty territories of the Cree, Ojibway, Algonquin, and the Metis. The opening prayer was recited.

**B ROLL CALL – All present**

**C DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Trustee King disclosed a pecuniary interest in item C.W.B. - I.1 Principal/Vice-Principal Terms and Conditions, of the In-Camera session held January 19, 2022. Trustee King did not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on any question with relation to this item including public Motion I.1.

Trustee Sheculski disclosed a pecuniary interest in item C.W.B. - I.1 Principal/Vice-Principal Terms and Conditions, of the In-Camera session held January 19, 2022. Trustee Sheculski did not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on any question with relation to this item including public Motion I.1.

**D APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion**

**MOVED BY:** S. Skalecki

**Resolution 22-01**

**SECONDED BY:** D. Lincez

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adopt the agenda for the Public Board Meeting, as amended.

**Carried**

**E APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: R. MacInnis  
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

**Resolution 22-02**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the following minutes as presented:

Annual Public Board Meeting – December 1, 2021

**Carried**

**F DELEGATIONS – Nil**

**G POLICY**

**G.1 B-1 Signing Officers of the Board**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: E. King  
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

**Resolution 22-03**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *B-1 Signing Officers of the Board* at second and third reading.

**Carried**

**G.2 E-8 Ontario Student Record**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

**Resolution 22-04**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-8 Ontario Student Record* at second and third reading.

**Carried**

**G.3 H-4 Smoke-Free Environment**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: R. MacInnis  
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

**Resolution 22-05**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *H-4 Smoke-Free Environment* at second and third reading.

**Carried**

**G.4 P-17 Employee Travel for Board Business**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

**Resolution 22-06**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-17 Employee Travel for Board Business* at second and third reading.

**Carried**

**G.5 T-16 Policy Development and Approval**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: R. MacInnis  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 22-07**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *T-16 Policy Development and Approval* at second and third reading.

**Carried**

**G.6 E-28 Catholic School Councils**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: G. Sheculski

**Resolution 22-08**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-28 Catholic School Councils* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.7 E-29 Borrowing of Board-Owned Equipment and Technology**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: R. MacInnis

**Resolution 22-09**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-29 Borrowing of Board-Owned Equipment and Technology* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.8 I-2 Responsible Use of Information and Communication**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 22-10**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *I-2 Responsible Use of Information and Communication* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.9 I-5 Website and Social Media**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: G. Sheculski  
SECONDED BY: R. MacInnis

**Resolution 22-11**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *I-5 Website and Social Media* at first reading.

**Carried**

**G.10 F-4 Borrowing of Board-Owned Equipment and Technology**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 22-12**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board rescind policy *F-4 Borrowing of Board-Owned Equipment*.

Carried

**G.11 I-3 Assignment and Use of Board-Owned Technology**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: G. Sheculski  
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki

**Resolution 22-13**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board rescind policy *I-3 Assignment and Use of Board-Owned Technology*.

Carried

**H PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

**H.1 Presentations**

**H.1.1 Mental Health and Well-Being – Update/Priorities – Kim McEntee, Supervisor of Mental Health and Wellness**

Superintendent Dunkley introduced guest speaker, Kim McEntee. K. McEntee shared the board's and schools' commitment to mentally healthy schools. She emphasized that the main goal for school mental health is *Promotion and Prevention* and presented priorities specific to this year, which align with provincial key priorities. She presented NCDSB's School Mental Health Action Plan and its five key priorities. Some classroom ready materials/content were displayed for the group to see. No comments or questions. The Chair thanked the presenter.

**H.2 Reports**

**H.2.1 Student Trustee – Monthly Student Report, Emma Mills**

E. Mills presented her report to the Board of Trustees and highlighted the following:

- School Events: Gingerbread House Decorating, Christmas Spirit Days, and Christmas Door Decorating Contest;
- Graduation information including the plan to have an in-person ceremony noting that they are prepared for other outcomes;
- Cancellation of exams and the reevaluating of culminating activities; and
- A variety of other topics including dress code and upcoming activities.

The Chair thanked Emma for her presentation.

**H.2.2 Audit Committee – Nil**

**H.2.3 Indigenous Advisory Committee**

Trustee Skalecki reviewed a few items from recent meetings including informative presentations from Ryan and Vicki, the tent at OICS, various presentations from schools, the hopes for an Indigenous trustee, and a dual credit presentation by OHS/ACCESS Vice-Principal Sharon Maisonneuve.

**H.2.4 Special Education Advisory Committee**

Trustee Landers reviewed today's SEAC meeting which included possible changes in the funding of speech pathology services in schools.

**H.2.5 Student Discipline Committee**

Chair Salvador reported on a suspension appeal hearing held earlier this month. The committee heard the appeal and maintained the suspension.

**H.2.6 Supervised Alternative Learning – Nil**

**H.2.7 Transportation Committee – Nil**

**H.2.8 Program – Nil**

**H.2.9 Business – Personnel Update, Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business**

K. Scott reviewed the Personnel Update, which included several new hires (due to new funding), one increase in FTE, one leave of absence and one retirement. Superintendent Brumwell recognized retiring teacher Lynn Duciaume-Quevillon (retiring May 31, 2022). She commended and thanked Lynn for her 30 years of service and dedication to NCDSB schools and French as a second language. On behalf of the Board, she wishes her all the best.

**H.2.10 Director of Education – COVID 19 Update, Tricia Weltz**

Director Weltz delivered an operational update on the COVID-19 and the return to in-person learning on January 17<sup>th</sup>. This update included enhanced measures and protocols such as the distribution of non-fit N95 masks for staff, 3-ply cloth masks for students, additional HEPA filters, and rapid antigen kits for students and staff. She also covered the new absence reporting guidelines from the Ministry. She shared an anticipation of staff shortages covering how the board is proactively trying to avoid this situation as well as giving advance notice to families that closures may be unavoidable at times. She welcomed any questions or discussion. Trustees engaged in discussions with the Director on these items with an emphasis on keeping school open. The Director described some strategies that are in place to ensure any classroom or school closures would be a last resort.

**H.2.11 Chair**

Chair Salvador reminded trustees of the OCSTA AGM being held in April. Registration is now open and trustees were asked to let Michele know of their intention to attend the in-person conference so that she may begin the registration process.

**I Motions**

**I.1 Principal/Vice-Principal Terms and Conditions**

MOVED BY: R. MacInnis **Resolution 22-14**  
SECONDED BY: S. Skalecki  
Abstained due to Conflict of Interest: E. King and G. Sheculski

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the central terms and conditions of employment contained within the Memorandum of Settlement and related Appendices, dated December 14, 2021, made between the Principals' and Vice-Principals' Associations comprised of (Association des Directions et Directions Adjointes des Ecoles Franco-Ontarienne (ADFO), the Catholic Principals' Council of Ontario (CPCO) and the Ontario Principals' Council (OPC)) and the l'Association des conseils scolaires des ecoles publiques de l'Ontario (ACEPO), l'Association franco-ontarienne des conseils scolaires catholiques (AFOCSC), the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association (OCSTA) and the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA) and agreed to by the Crown. Further that the approval of the motion of the central terms be reported to OCSTA.

**Carried**

**J COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez **Resolution 22-15**  
SECONDED BY: E. King

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board accept the report of the Committee of the Whole Board and all recommendations contained therein.

**Carried**

**K UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Nil**

L CORRESPONDENCE – Nil

M NEW BUSINESS - Nil

N INFORMATION – Nil

O FUTURE MEETINGS

Regular Board Meeting – February 23, 2022 at 4:45 p.m.

P ADJOURNMENT

Motion

MOVED BY:

R. MacInnis

**Resolution 22-16**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Carried

Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting

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Chair of the Board



Secretary-Treasurer