

## NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of the Public Board Meeting held on March 20, 2024 at the Catholic Education Center.

**PRESENT:**

**Trustees:** Paula Del Guidice  
Martin Drainville  
Elizabeth King  
Colleen Landers  
Denis Lincez t/c  
Steve Malciw  
Fred Salvador  
Glenn Sheculski  
Stan Skalecki

**Student Trustees:** Elena Lionello  
Sahayma Omenye

**Administration:** Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education  
Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education  
Jennifer Dunkley, Superintendent of Education

**Staff:** Michele Mahaffy, Executive Assistant and Recorder

**Guests:** Cristina Corbett, Special Assignment Teacher

**REGRETS:** Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business

**A CALL TO ORDER**

**Territorial Acknowledgment**

Chair Sheculski called the meeting to order and delivered the territorial acknowledgment.

**Prayer**

Chair Sheculski introduced special assignment teacher Cristina Corbett who lead the group in praying the Stations of the Cross.

**B MOVE TO IN CAMERA MEETING**

The student trustees and guest speaker left the room and the meeting continued to the in camera portion of the Board meeting.

**C CALL TO ORDER**

The student trustees returned to the room and the Chair called the Public session to order.

**D ROLL CALL**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki  
SECONDED BY: P. Del Guidice

**Resolution 24-25**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board receive the following declaration of absence and excuse the following trustees and administrative personnel from attending this meeting: Keld Scott

**Carried**

**E DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Trustee Landers declared a conflict of interest with item, *Motion K.3. OECTA*.

Trustees King and Sheculski declared a conflict of interest with item, *Motion K.4 CPCO*.

**F APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: S. Malciw

**Resolution 24-26**

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

**Carried**

**G APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: M. Drainville  
SECONDED BY: F. Salvador

**Resolution 24-27**

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

Public Board Meeting – February 21, 2024

**Carried**

**H DELEGATIONS – Nil**

**I POLICY**

**I.1 E-1 Access to School and Board Premises**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: F. Salvador

**Resolution 24-28**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-1 Access to School and Board Premises* at first reading.

**Carried**

**I.2 E-32 Equity and Inclusion**

**Motion**

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

**Resolution 24-29**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-32 Equity and Inclusion* at first reading.

**Carried**

**I.3 E-34 Safe Schools**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

**Resolution 24-30**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *E-34 Safe Schools* at first reading.

**Carried**

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**I.4 P-3 Indemnification of Members of the Board and Employees**

**Motion**

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

**Resolution 24-31**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-3 Indemnification of Members of the Board and Employees* at first reading.

**Carried**

**I.5 P-10 Principal and Vice-Principal Transfers**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: M. Drainville  
SECONDED BY: S. Malciw

**Resolution 24-32**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-10 Principal and Vice-Principal Transfers* at first reading.

**Carried**

**I.6 P-13 Employee Support Program**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: F. Salvador

**Resolution 24-33**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve policy *P-13 Employee Support Program* at first reading.

**Carried**

**J PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

**J.1 Presentations**

**J.1.1 School of the Month: Holy Family School, Englehart** – Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

Director Weltz introduced O’Gorman Intermediate (OICS) as *School of the Month* and shared the school’s audio-visual submission. A group of students took viewers on a tour of their school sharing all the opportunities Holy Family has to offer. This included STEAM, athletics and a culture of community.

The Chair thanked the school for their submission.

**J.1.2 Kindergarten Registration** – Tricia Stefanic Weltz, Director of Education

Daphne Brumwell, Superintendent of Education shared a presentation on registration efforts and outcomes across the NCDSB. The highlights included specific practices that schools have used for Kindergarten registration.

The presentation also covered the recruitment efforts of O’Gorman High and O’Gorman Intermediate who have hosted a number of events for students, and their families, who are interested in attending these schools in the fall.

**J.2 Reports**

**J.2.1 Student Trustees** – Monthly Student Report, Elena Lionello and Sahayma Omenye  
The student trustees presented their monthly report. The report included information on the following:

- School Activities: March Break Theme Week, Class of '28 Open House, Youth Health and Wellness Fair and February Prayer Service

- Extracurriculars: OFSAA-bound athletes in swimming, curling, volleyball and x-country skiing
- Class Reports: SHSM trip to Northern College, CPR and First Aid training, and a Co-operative education update

**J.2.2 Audit Committee**

Trustee Sheculski gave a brief overview of the February 26, 2024 meeting and referred to the December 2023 minutes contained in the *Board Package*.

On behalf of the committee, he requested that the motion to appoint KPMG as external auditor's for next year be approved in the motion to follow.

**J.2.3 Indigenous Advisory Committee – Nil**

**J.2.4 Special Education Advisory Committee – February 21, 2024 Meeting Update and January 24, 2024 Minutes.**

Trustee Landers and Skalecki reviewed the meeting held earlier in the day and referred to the February minutes contained in the *Board Package*.

**J.2.5 Supervised Alternative Learning – Nil**

**J.2.6 Student Discipline – Nil**

**J.2.7 Transportation Committee – Nil**

**J.2.8 Program – Nil**

**J.2.9 Business – Keld Scott, Superintendent of Business**

**H.2.9.1 Personnel Report**

On behalf of Superintendent Scott, Director Weltz reported one new hire, two resignations, and one June retirement.

Superintendent Dunkley recognized OHS teacher J. P. Gauvin who is retiring at the end of June. J. Dunkley thanked J.P. for his years of dedication in many aspects of life at O’Gorman High School and wished him all the best in his retirement.

**J.2.10 Director of Education**

**J.2.10.1 Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP) Monitoring Report 2**

The Director of Education provided an overview of progress being made towards the achievement of goals from various departments as well as specific portfolio goals linked to the MYSP.

**J.2.11 Chair/Trustees**

**J.2.11.1 APT014 Trustee Support Services**

Chair Sheculski referred to Director Weltz who gave an overview of the changes in procedure APT014 as discussed at the last policy meeting.

**K MOTIONS**

**K.1 Audit Committee – External Auditors**

MOVED BY: D. Lincez  
SECONDED BY: C. Landers

**Resolution 24-34**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board appoint KPMG as external auditors effective September 1, 2024 and extending until August 31, 2025, as recommended by the NCDSB Audit Committee.

**Carried**

**K.2 Staffing 2024-2025**

MOVED BY: P. Del Guidice  
SECONDED BY: E. King

**Resolution 24-35**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the commencement of staff recruitment and retention practices for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented.

**Carried**

**K.3 OECTA**

MOVED BY: M. Drainville  
SECONDED BY: F. Salvador

**Resolution 24-36**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board ratify the central terms contained within the Memorandum of Settlement and attached Appendices, dated March 5, 2024, made between the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association and agreed to by the Crown. Further that the approval of the ratification of the central terms be reported to OCSTA.

Trustee Landers abstained from voting. All others in favour.

**Carried**

**K.4 CPCO**

MOVED BY: C. Landers  
SECONDED BY: M. Drainville

**Resolution 24-37**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board approve the terms and conditions of employment of Principals/Vice-Principals as presented for the period September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2023.

Trustees Sheculski and King abstained from voting. All others in favour.

**Carried**

**L COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki  
SECONDED BY: P. Del Guidice

**Resolution 24-38**

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**

**M UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Nil**

**N CORRESPONDENCE – Nil**

**O NEW BUSINESS - Nil**

**P INFORMATION – Nil**

**Q FUTURE MEETINGS**

Annual Board Meeting – April 17, 2024 at 4:45 p.m.

**R ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**

MOVED BY: S. Skalecki

**Resolution 24-39**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northeastern Catholic District School Board adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

**Carried**

**Question and answer period for guests attending the meeting**

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NORTHEASTERN CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

  
Chair of the Board

  
Secretary-Treasurer