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CHAIRPERSON: Barbara Holland  
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: Terry Lyons

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre**  
**John Paul II Board Room**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT**

**Trustees:** F. Alexander B. Holland, *Chair*  
F. Costante B. Mastromattei  
M. DiMenna (*electronically*) L. Soulliere, *Vice-Chair*  
F. DiTomasso F. Valentinis

C. Sloan, Student Trustee  
Rev. L. Brunet, Board Chaplain

**Regrets:** S. Tope, Trustee  
G. Santin, Student Trustee

**Administration:** T. Lyons (Resource) S. Fields C. Norris  
E. Byrne M. Farrand M. Seguin  
D. Fister J. Ibrahim J. Ulicny  
P. King G. McKenzie

**Recorder:** D. Steffens

1. Call To Order – Chair Holland called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
2. Opening Prayer – Fr. Brunet opened the meeting with a prayer.
3. Recording of Attendance – Trustee Tope sent regrets due to a family bereavement. Trustee DiMenna participated electronically. Student Trustee Santin was not present.
4. Approval of Agenda

**Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee DiTomasso that the March 27, 2018 Regular Board meeting agenda be approved as distributed. *Carried.***

5. Disclosure of Interest - Pursuant to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act. – None.

6. Presentations:

- a. Recipient of the Dr. Bette M. Stephenson Achievement Award (EQAO) – Holy Names Catholic High School

The Dr. Bette M. Stephenson Recognition of Achievement Award recognizes schools across the province for their use of data to enhance and support the progress of their students. The schools recognized through this program have used a wide range of evidence to develop action plans based on their unique circumstances and have seen notable improvements in student achievement, as demonstrated by an increase in EQAO results over time. Holy Names Catholic High School was recognized for their success in helping students with an Individual Education Plan (IEP) to meet the provincial standard in literacy. This year’s recognition emphasized equity and inclusion, which aligns with the theme of the EQAO Forum, “Data, Equity and a Culture of Hope.” Congratulations to Principal Pat Hickson, and teachers Liana Cote and Monique Dugal for being recognized for this EQAO achievement award.

- b. Annual Emergency Response Procedures for Board Meetings (*Handout provided*)

Superintendent John Ulicny and Principal of Safe Schools Steve Bellaire instructed Board members on response procedures should and emergency occur while attending the Catholic Education Centre.

7. Delegations: None

8. Action Items:

- a. Previous Meeting Minutes

- i) Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera meeting of February 27, 2018

**Moved by Trustee DiTomasso and seconded by Trustee Valentinis that the Minutes of the Special Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera meeting of February 27, 2018 be adopted as distributed. Carried.**

- ii) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 27, 2018

**Moved by Trustee Alexander and seconded by Trustee Mastromattei that the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 27, 2018 be adopted as distributed. Carried.**

- b. Items from the Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera meeting of March 27, 2018

Vice Chair Soulliere reported that the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board convened a closed Committee of the Whole Board in-camera meeting on March 27, 2018 pursuant to the Education Act - Section 207, to consider specific real property matters and other matters permitted or required to be kept private and confidential under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Items from the March 27, 2018 Committee of the Whole Board in-camera meeting:

**Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee Valentinis that the Board receive as information a report regarding property matters. Carried.**

**Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee Costante that the Board receive as information the discussions exempt from access under Protected Information matters. Carried.**

9. Communications:

a. External (Associations, OCSTA, Ministry): None.

b. Internal (Reports from Administration):

i. Report: Appointment of Student Trustees for the 2018-19 School Year

**Moved by Trustee DiTomasso and seconded by Trustee Mastromattei that the Board receive as information the appointment of Lauren Pupulin from St. Anne Catholic High School and Celina Seguin from Assumption College Catholic High School as Student Trustees for the 2018-2019 school year. Carried.**

ii. Report: 2016-17 Community Use of Schools Annual Report

**Moved by Trustee Valentinis and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the Board receive the 2016-17 Community Use of Schools Annual Report as information. Carried.**

iii. Report: 2018-19 Budget Consultation Survey

**Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee DiTomasso that the report on the 2018-19 Budget Consultation Survey be received as information. Carried.**

iv. Report: 2018-19 Budget Pressures and Challenges

**Moved by Trustee Alexander and seconded by Trustee Costante that the report on 2018-19 Budget Pressures and Challenges be received as information. Carried.**

v. Report: Policy Review Five Year Plan

**Moved by Trustee DiTomasso and seconded by Trustee Mastromattei that the Board receive the Policy Review Five Year Plan as information. Carried.**

10. Committee Reports:

a. Report: Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Executive Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2018

**Moved by Trustee Soulliere and seconded by Trustee Costante that the Board receive the Minutes of the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Executive Meeting held on January 23, 2018 as information. Carried.**

11. Unfinished Business: None.

12. New Business:

- a. Report: Draft Amended Policies H:08 Workplace Harassment and H:19 Violence in the Workplace, *final approval*

**Moved by Trustee Valentinis and seconded by Trustee Soulliere that the Board provide final approval to Draft Amended Board Policies H:08 Workplace Harassment and H:19 Violence Prevention in the Workplace; and**

**That the Board receive Administrative Procedure Pr H:08 Workplace Harassment as information; and**

**That the Board receive as information H:19 Program for Violence Prevention in the Workplace. Carried.**

- b. Report: Trustee Determination and Distribution for Elections 2018

**Moved by Trustee Alexander and seconded by Trustee Costante that, for the purposes of the 2018 Election, the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board not designate any municipality within the Board's area of jurisdiction as a low population municipality.**

**That, for the purposes of the 2018 Election, the determination and distribution of members elected to the Board remain as follows:**

*City of Windsor: Wards 1 & 10 ..... 1 Trustee*  
*City of Windsor: Wards 2 & 9 ..... 1 Trustee*  
*City of Windsor: Wards 3 & 4 ..... 1 Trustee*  
*City of Windsor: Wards 5 & 8 ..... 1 Trustee*  
*City of Windsor: Wards 6 & 7 ..... 1 Trustee*  
*County of Essex Area 1: Amherstburg, LaSalle (Lead Municipality) ..... 1 Trustee*  
*County of Essex Area 2: Leamington (Lead Municipality), Essex, Kingsville, and Pelee Township.....1 Trustee*  
*County of Essex Area 3: Lakeshore..... 1 Trustee*  
*County of Essex Area 4: Tecumseh ..... 1 Trustee*

**That the completed Determination and Distribution Report be submitted to the Minister of Education, the school board election clerk in all municipalities within the Board's jurisdiction, and the secretary of all other school boards in the Board's jurisdiction prior to April 3, 2018, in accordance with O. Reg. 412/00 Elections to and Representation on District School Boards made under the Education Act. Carried.**

13. Notice of Motion: None.

14. Remarks and Announcements:

a. Chairperson of the Board

- The Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association 88<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and Conference is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is *Stewards of the Promise – Role of the Trustee*. This is a great opportunity for Catholic Board Trustees from within the province to meet and discuss various topics.
- Easter is this weekend. May your heart and home be filled with the blessings of Easter.

b. Director of Education provided the following comments:

***Looking back on our successes...***

Director Lyons congratulated Holy Names Catholic High School for being selected as the top secondary school in Canada in the Rick Mercer Report annual Spread the Net challenge, which helps raise money to buy mosquito bed nets to prevent the spread of malaria in Africa. The school's effort was spearheaded by students Gabby Botica and Angela Hormiz, who kicked it off as an ISU project for Mr. Alvarez's world religions class, and ended up raising \$2,500 for the cause through a variety of initiatives. The girls both said it was their Catholic faith that really inspired them to do something meaningful to help others. Mr. Mercer visited the school on March 26<sup>th</sup> to acknowledge their efforts, and the visit will be aired on his show on CBC on April 3.

Last month CBC national radio journalist David Gutnick spent a week in Windsor interviewing WECD SB staff and students associated with our board's music programs. The result is a 20-minute radio documentary called "Just Notes and Rhythms," which aired on the national program *The Sunday Edition* on Sunday, March 18. Director Lyons congratulated all involved.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Evon, whose first speech she's ever written, on the power of the internet to spread love and kindness, has made her a finalist in Speakers Idol, a speech competition by the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies. Elizabeth competed today in Toronto for the top prize, a MacBook Air computer.

A day-long debate competition was held at Assumption College March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Students argued such controversial issues as arming teachers in schools, stem cell research, doctor assisted suicide, sex education curriculum, the impacts of social media on mental health, providing naloxone kits in schools, and the necessity of immunizations in developed countries. Healthy debate is an essential component of any democracy, and students need to learn the importance of successfully persuading others of the merits of their opinions. Debate competitions help them learn the tact and skills required to diplomatically express themselves.

Holy Names Catholic High School kicked off their Climate Crusaders project at with the assistance of David Phillips, Senior Climatologist at Environment Canada. This is a partnership project with the University of Windsor's Faculty of Science and will see every Grade 8 student in the board equipped with a rain gauge. Those students will collect precipitation data, which will be collated and analyzed by students in the STEM Academy at Holy Names, under the guidance of students at the university. With the recent record-breaking rainfall events and the subsequent

flooding, it is hoped more comprehensive and localized data will help with better flood mitigation plans. Congratulations to Executive Superintendent Fister, Holy Names Principal Pat Hickson and everyone involved with starting this initiative.

***Looking ahead.....***

On April 20, the Father Larry Cup will be held at Central Park Athletics. Named after Board Chaplain Father Larry Brunet, this annual event will raise funds to support a bursary, which helps students from financially vulnerable families cover the registration costs associated with the Board's sports academies. There will be a staff hockey game at 5 pm, followed by a reception and dinner at 6 pm.

On behalf of Administration, Director Lyons thanked teachers and staff for their Lenten and Holy Week activities leading to this year's Easter celebration, and wished everyone a blessed and holy Easter.

- c. Board Chaplain Brunet mentioned the recent article printed in the Globe & Mail newspaper concerning provincial funding for Catholic education.

15. Remarks/Questions by Trustees

Trustee Valentinis wished everyone a happy and Holy Easter.

Student Trustee Sloan congratulated the incoming 2018-19 Student Trustees on their election, and indicated that the 2017-18 Student Senate is planning on producing a year-end video to highlight its activities over the school year.

16. Pending Items: None

17. Future Regular Board Meetings: *Unless stated otherwise, all meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Windsor Essex Catholic Education Centre - 1325 California Avenue, Windsor beginning at 7:00 p.m.*

- Tuesday, April 24, 2018
- Tuesday, May 22, 2018
- Tuesday, June 12, 2018
- **Monday, June 25, 2018**

*Committee of the Whole Board In-Camera Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm (closed sessions). **NOTE: The April 10, 2018 Committee of the Whole In-Camera meeting has been rescheduled to April 24, 2018.***

18. Adjourn to In-Camera meeting: Not Required.

19. Closing Prayer – Fr. Brunet closed the meeting with a prayer.

20. Adjournment – There being no further business, the Regular Board meeting of March 27, 2018 adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

*Original signed by B. Holland and T. Lyons*

***Barbara Holland***  
*Chairperson of the Board*

***Terry Lyons***  
*Director of Education & Secretary of the Board*