

**MINUTES FOR THE OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING OF THE  
HURON-SUPERIOR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD  
ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2025 @ 7:15 PM  
IN THE BOARD ROOM**

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**PRESENT: Trustees:**

Sandra Turco (virtual), John Bruno (Acting Chair), Carol Amadio, John Caputo, Kerri Commanda, Tony D'Agostino, Lindsay Liske, Carol MacEachern, Kathleen Rosilius, Gary Trembinski (virtual)

**Officials:**

Fil Lettieri (Director of Education), Joe Chillelli, Stephanie Circelli, Justin Pino, Franca Spadafora, Syndy Withers

**Student Trustees:**

Abbie Dasa Kumar, Michaela Kyle, Alexander Oraziatti

**Vision and Values**

*Superintendent Circelli reported on the renovations that have now been completed at St. Kateri Outdoor Learning Centre. This space is a living example of our land acknowledgement and has been providing an exceptional learning space for students for decades. A grand opening is being planned and will be held soon.*

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**B-1 B-1018**

**Moved by: L. Liske**

**Seconded by: J. Caputo**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board adopts the Agenda for the Board Meeting of Wednesday, September 17, 2025.

**CARRIED**

**B-2 B-1019**

**Moved by: C. Amadio**

**Seconded by: K. Rosilius**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the virtual attendance of the following Trustees at the In-Camera and Open Meetings of the Board on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, for one of the circumstances outlined in Ontario Regulation 313/24: Trustee Trembinski, with the permission of Chair Turco, and Chair Turco, with the permission of Vice-Chair Bruno.

**DEFEATED – Motion not required**

**E-1 B-1020**

**Moved by: T. D'Agostino**

**Seconded by: J. Caputo**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of June 25, 2025.

**CARRIED**

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- E-2 B-1021 Moved by: C. MacEachern Seconded by: G. Trembinski**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the Open Board Meeting of August 7, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- E-3 B-1022 Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: C. Amadio**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of June 11, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- E-4 B-1023 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: L. Liske**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of June 25, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- E-5 B-1024 Moved by: T. D’Agostino Seconded by: C. Amadio**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of June 30, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- E-6 B-1025 Moved by: K. Commanda Seconded by: K. Rosilius**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approve the Minutes of the In-Camera Board Meeting of August 7, 2025.  
**CARRIED**
- G-1**  
**Introduction of New Administrators**  
*Superintendent Chilelli introduced the Board’s new administrator, Rosetta Angaran, Vice-Principal, Our Lady of Fatima (Elliot Lake), and she provided a brief biography.*
- G-2**  
**Introduction of New Communications Officer**  
*Director Lettieri introduce Kenzie Vandenberg, who is replacing Danielle Dupuis during her maternity leave. Kenzie brings a wealth of experience to the role, having most recently worked as the Communications Officer for the Township of Tecumseh.*
- G-3**  
**Introduction of New Student Trustees**  
*New student trustee, Abbie Dasa Kumar and new Indigenous student trustee, Michaela Kyle, introduced themselves to the trustees by highlighting their family, hobbies and plans for the future. Both are happy to be a part of the Board and look forward to providing their voice to items that will affect schools in a positive way. They thanked trustees for the opportunity to take part in this leadership opportunity.*
- G-4**  
**Summer School Programming**  
*Several Summer School Program Administrators were introduced to highlight their respective programs: Laura Caswell and Christopher Czap (Secondary Summer School), Andrea Greco and Hannah Lettieri (Summer Learning Program), Stephanie MacWilliam (Summer Transition*

*Program) and Shannon Flint and Micaela Olejnik (Indigenous Summer Transition Program). A carousel display was provided for trustees to view and speak with students about what they learned and enjoyed about the various programs.*

**I-1 B-1026**

**Moved by: K. Rosilius                      Seconded by: J. Caputo**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board allows Carol Amadio, John Bruno, Kerri Commanda, Tony D’Agostino, Lindsay Liske, Carol MacEachern, Kathleen Rosilius, and Director Lettieri to travel to Timmins, ON to attend the OCSTA 2025 Fall Regional Meeting on September 20, 2024.

**CARRIED**

**I-2 B-1027**

**Moved by: J. Caputo                      Seconded by: C. Amadio**

That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board authorizes the Chair or Vice-chair and Director of Education and Treasurer to borrow funds from time to time not to exceed \$15 million in aggregate from the Royal Bank of Canada for the 2025/26 school year in accordance with Section 243 of the Education Act, specifically,

That the Chair or Vice Chair and the Director of Education and Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from time to time by way of loan agreement or promissory note(s), or overdraft, or banker’s acceptance from the Banker of the Board, currently Royal Bank of Canada (“RBC”) or from any other approved lender authorized for borrowing purposes in accordance with Section 243 of the Act a sum or sums not exceeding in aggregate \$10,000,000 to meet, until current revenue is collected, the current expenditures of the board, currently from RBC, or from any other approved lender loan agreement, promissory note(s) or bankers acceptances, as the case may be, sealed with the corporate seal of the Board and signed by two of the Chair or Vice Chair and the Director of Education and Treasurer for the sums borrowed plus interest at a rate to be agreed upon from time to time with the Banker of the Board, currently RBC, or from any other approved lender.

That the Chair or Vice Chair and the Director of Education and Treasurer are authorized on behalf of the Board to borrow from time to time by way of loan agreement, promissory note, or overdraft, or banker’s acceptance from the Banker of the Board, currently Royal Bank of Canada (“RBC”) or from any other approved lender authorized for borrowing purposes in accordance with Section 243 of the Act a sum or sums not exceeding in aggregate \$5,000,000 to meet, until current revenue is collected, the current Capital expenditures of the board, currently from RBC, or from any other approved lender loan agreement, promissory note(s) or bankers acceptances, as the case may be, sealed with the corporate seal of the Board and signed by two of the Chair or Vice Chair and the Director of Education and Treasurer for the sums borrowed plus interest at a rate to be agreed upon from time to time with the Banker of the Board, currently RBC, or from any other approved lender.

The Director of Education and Treasurer is authorized and directed to apply in payment of all or any sums borrowed plus interest, all of the money collected or received in respect of the current revenues of the Board.

The Treasurer of the Board is authorized and directed to deliver to the Banker of the Board, currently RBC, or form any other approved lender from time to time upon request a statement showing (a) the amount of the estimated current revenues of the Board for the current year not yet received, or, where the estimates for the current year have not been adopted, a statement showing the estimated revenues of the Board as set forth in the estimates adopted for the previous fiscal year and the amount of the revenues of the current year already received and also showing the total of any amounts borrowed under Section 243 of the Education Act in the current year that have not been repaid.

- I-3 B-1028 Moved by: L. Liske Seconded by: C. MacEachern**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves Policy 2000 as presented.  
**CARRIED**
- I-4 B-1029 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: K. Commanda**  
That the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board request a meeting with the MPP Chris Scott and the MP Terry Sheehan to discuss the removal of Jordan’s Principle Funding.
- Moved by: K. Rosilius Seconded by: J. Caputo**  
To amend the above motion to include MPP Bill Rosenberg for the East and North districts.  
**CARRIED**
- I-5 B-1030 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: K. Rosilius**  
That the Director of the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board prepare a report which breaks down the staffing levels of each department, describing the roles and responsibilities of each of the employees.  
**CARRIED**
- I-6 B-1031 Moved by: J. Caputo Seconded by: L. Liske**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board approves the following field trip applications:
1. Holy Cross Outdoor Learning Program – travelling to St. Kateri Outdoor Learning Centre on September 24, 2025, and returning September 25, 2025.

2. Holy Cross Outdoor Learning Program – travelling to St. Kateri Outdoor Learning Centre on October 2, 2025, and returning October 3, 2025.
3. St. Mary’s French Immersion School – travelling to Ottawa, ON on June 15, 2026, and returning June 18, 2026.

**CARRIED**

**J-1-a Sale of Board Vehicle**  
*Superintendent Pino provided the report on the sale of the Board vehicle in accordance with Board policy – disposal of assets.*

**J-1-b Annual Report of the Parent Involvement Committee (PIC)**  
*Superintendent Chilelli provided the report on highlights from the Parent Involvement Committee for the 2024-25 school year.*

**J-1-c Update on the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan**  
*Superintendent Pino highlighted the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan that was updated in 2024 and expires in 2026. The report focuses on five key areas, and they were reviewed.*

**J-1-d SMC Activity Report**  
*Student Trustees Dasa Kumar, Kyle and Orazietti highlighted some of the September events at the school, including components from faith, sports, Student Council, Indigenous Student Union (ISU) and Student Senate. A few noteworthy items were the Faith Events calendar, Truth and Reconciliation Week, Welcome Week events and receiving applications for Student Senate.*

**N-1 B-1032 Moved by: T. D’Agostino                      Seconded by: C. MacEachern**  
That the Huron-Superior Catholic District School Board meeting of Wednesday, September 17, 2025, adjourns at 9:09 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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**Chairperson**

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**Secretary of the Board**