

The Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting held on Monday, November 11, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in the Large Boardroom and by Google meet. (\*)

## PRESENT

Trustees:	Chair Connolly (Committee Chairperson), Trustee MacKenzie (Board Chairperson), Trustee Martin, Trustee Leahy, Trustee Durst, Trustee Tanguay, Trustee Peios (Junior Student Trustee)(*).
Absent/Regrets:	Superintendent Kahler, Trustee Heitzner (Senior Student Trustee).
Administration:	Director O'Sullivan, Superintendent Di Ianni (*), Superintendent Heuchert, Superintendent Selby, Superintendent Piggott (*), Superintendent Armstrong.
Guests:	
Recorder:	Mrs. Sarah Barker.

### **A. Call to Order**

Trustee Connolly called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Trustee Connolly gave open remarks with respect to Remembrance Day.

#### 1. Opening Prayer

Superintendent Piggott led the Committee of the Whole in Opening Prayer.

#### 2. Land Acknowledgment

Superintendent Heuchert respectfully acknowledged that the Committee of the Whole meeting is taking place on the treaty and traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabeg.

3. Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** Moved by Board Chairperson MacKenzie, seconded by Trustee Leahy, that the Committee of the Whole Open Agenda for Monday, November 11, 2024 be accepted.

Carried.

4. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting on Monday, October 21, 2024.

**Motion:** Moved by Trustee Durst, seconded by Trustee Tanguay, that the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting Minutes from Monday, October 21, 2024 be accepted.

Carried.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**B. Recommended Actions/Presentations:**

1. 2023-2024 Financial Variances and Transfers of Accumulated Surplus

Sean Heuchert, Superintendent, presented the report on 2023-2024 Financial Variances and Transfers of Accumulated Surplus. The 2023-2024 Audit conducted by Baker Tilly KDN LLP has concluded and will be presented at the Audit Committee meeting later this week, and those recommendations will be brought to the next Board meeting.

There were discussions regarding the complex circumstances while reporting this years financials. Factors such as Bill 124, union contract settlements, enrollment, and grants have made for a challenging report.

At year end, due to a number of factors, the actual change to Accumulated Surplus Available for Compliance is \$1,648,873 for the period ending August 31, 2024.

**Motion:** Moved by Trustee Leahy, seconded by Trustee Durst, that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Board to receive the Variance Report for the 2023-2024 fiscal year; and,

that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Board to receive the accumulated surplus transfers as detailed in the 2023-2024 Details of Accumulated Surplus/Deficit report.

Carried.

## C. Information Items:

### 1. Capital Priorities Update

Sean Heuchert, Superintendent, advised there was no update on the recent Capital Priorities submission to the Ministry for the Northumberland area.

The plans for the Northglen school in Clarington area, being completed by the Salter Pilon Architecture firm, is 85-90% completed. Once there is 90% to 100% confidence in the plans, the build will go out for tender. The Clarington Municipality requires 90% completion in plans before they can issue a building permit. The build is currently on time for the opening scheduled in September of 2026.

There were discussions regarding finishes, specific requests for the school plans, and the new school boundaries for Clarington. The expectation is to have the school boundaries established before the start of Kindergarten registrations for 2025, to be able to advise families of their new catchment during registration.

## D. Old Business:

There were no old business items.

## E. New Business

## 1. OCSTA Resolution Discussion

Stephen O'Sullivan, Director of Education, advised there was a request from OCSTA for resolutions to be submitted by February 7, 2025. PVNC Catholic sent in two resolutions last year, that are still in progress: Additional Ministry Funding to Adequately Fund Sick Leave Plan and Fair and Equitable Funding for Transportation of Students with Special Needs. There were discussions to wait for an update on the these two resolutions before submitting any new ones.

**Motion:** Moved by Trustee Tanguay, seconded by Trustee Durst, that the Committee of the Whole proceed to In Camera session following the Open meeting.

Carried.

## F. Next Meeting:

1. December 9, 2024, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
2. January 13, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
3. February 10, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
4. March 17, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
5. April 7, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
6. May 12, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.
7. June 2, 2025, Large Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.

## G. Conclusion

### 1. Closing Prayer

Superintendent Piggott led the committee in closing prayer.



## 2. Adjournment

**Motion:** Moved by Trustee Martin, seconded by Board Chairperson MacKenzie, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Carried.

John Connolly  
Committee Chairperson  
/sb

Sean Heuchert  
Superintendent of Business  
and Finance