



Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting,  
November 22, 2005, 7:00 p.m.  
Board Room, Catholic Education Centre

Chair: A. Peters

Vice-Chair: E. O'Toole

Trustees: A. Abbruscato J. K. Adamson A. Casuga  
F. Di Cosola P. Ferreira B. Iannicca  
M. Pascucci

Student Representatives: K. Kudinova S. Hillier

Director of Education: M. G. Bator

Associate Director: Corporate Services: J. Kostoff  
Associate Director: Instructional Services: J. W. Watts

Superintendents: R. Borrelli J. D. Fitzgibbon J. Geiser  
L. Kazimowicz M. Mazzorato E. McGuire  
P. McMorrow M. R. McPhee S. McWatters  
J. P. Melito N. Milanetti V. A. Nichilo  
M. Prospero C. Saytar

Regrets: T. Thomas, L. Zanella

A Routine Matters

1. Opening Prayer and Attendance

Chair A. Peters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked that L. Zanella be remembered in our prayers.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The following changes were made to the agenda:

Item D 1 – Delegation on behalf of the Holy Name of Mary Secondary School was withdrawn.

Motion 367 (05-11-22) by A. Casuga                      Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.  
*CARRIED*

3. Declaration of Interest

The following trustees declared an interest in agenda item J 7:

A. Abbruscato, J. K. Adamson, A. Casuga, B. Iannicca, M. Pascucci

4. Approval of Minutes, Regular Board Meeting, October 25, 2005

Motion 368 (05-11-22) by P. Ferreira                      Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 25, 2005 BE APPROVED.

*CARRIED*

ii) Business Arising from the Minutes

John D. Fitzgibbon verified that taxes collected by the municipalities for education purposes are paid directly to school boards.

5 Report on Operating and Capital Accounts for the Month of October, 2005

Motion 369 (05-11-22) by E. O'Toole                      Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ADOPT FOR PAYMENT THE OPERATING AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2005 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$238,418,875.07 IN CANADIAN FUNDS.

*CARRIED*

B Awards and Presentations

1. Chairman's Annual Address – A. R. Peters

It is an annual tradition for the Chair of the Board to give a summary speech at the end of the calendar year, reflecting on the past year and looking forward to the upcoming year.

I have always spoken of the fact that Dufferin-Peel remains a stable environment in that we provide a quality education to our students day in and day out. This is due to the over 8,000 people who have dedicated their lives to the betterment of children. Each employee, from senior administration to the support staff in the schools and the Board office, has an important role to play in the success of children, and they do so with a passion and commitment that makes Dufferin-Peel a leader in education across the province. As a Board, we are blessed to have such a dedicated team, and we thank them for all that they do. Our staff are currently completing labour agreements with our employee groups, which ensures stability in the workplace and that all parties will be able to focus on the activities of the classroom for the short and long term.

The past year has seen changes to our senior administrative team, with the retirement of Superintendent Art Sheppard and Associate Director Terry Miller. As I have said on many occasions, we can replace people, but the experience and corporate knowledge that they bring to the table is hard to maintain. We wished them well as they moved into new avenues of their lives. Our Board is very fortunate to have a strong program that encourages people from within to seek positions of leadership, and in the past year we welcomed five new people to the pool of candidates to one day potentially serve at the supervisory officer level. Two of these individuals, Cathy Saytar and Joe Geiser, have joined the administrative level and have brought new enthusiasm and ideas to their respective families. John Kostoff has moved forward into the role of Associate Director of Corporate Services, and his dedication and commitment to Catholic education continues to serve us well as a member of Executive Council. At the same time, five Superintendents have moved to new areas of responsibility, bringing a fresh outlook to their respective roles. The upcoming retirement of Associate Director John Watts, which will be received in the agenda later this evening, will create another loss for the Dufferin-Peel family. We are well positioned for the future at the Senior Management level to meet the challenges that lie ahead for our Board.

Our building program brought forward one new school at the elementary level, and a new home for St. Edmund Campion, while Metropolitan Andrei moved back to a newly renovated permanent home. We currently have four schools awaiting new buildings, while two new elementary schools are under construction for openings next fall. However, this is where the program stops. On February 17th, the Ministry released the Good Places to Learn announcement, which focused on school closings and a new capital funding model. Boards were advised that comprehensive capital plans were to be submitted by October of 2005, yet by that date there were no guidelines provided to allow Boards to submit these plans, and only recently has there been an announcement that a web-based report must be submitted by the end of December. Thanks to the foresight of our staff, we have been able to move ahead with over 70 projects that moved students into permanent accommodation, but the changes announced this year have put several crucial projects on hold. The increasing population in our secondary schools has forced the need for a minimum of two new buildings in Brampton and Bolton, but the delays in these announcements have placed the timing of these projects into uncertainty. We have student populations at Loyola and Holy Name of Mary, among others, that await further information on the status of their schools, and we have nothing to tell them. We call on the Ministry of Education, as the sole funder of education, to provide capital funding that allows Dufferin-Peel to build and renovate schools that put students into permanent accommodation, in their communities. If I may be digress here, I am pleased to report that staffs of the City of Brampton and our Board held a meeting yesterday, which we hope will be the first of a series that will culminate in the building of a school with a community facility, be it a library, recreation facility, outdoor track, or a combination thereof. As a Brampton Trustee, I hope that we will one day be able to join with Catholic schools in Mississauga, Caledon, and soon to be Bolton, that offer facilities that create win-win situations for the constituents that we serve.

It seems that each Chair of the Board, on an annual basis, has made mention of the financial situation that we face, and tonight will be no exception. For the past three

schools years, including the current year, we have operated in a deficit situation, relying on reserves to maintain programs and services. However, the 2005-2006 school year has brought forward a very real situation of a seventeen million dollar deficit; despite a balanced budget estimate filed in August. This situation is not new, but a result of continued funding shortfalls in three key areas: teacher salaries, special education, and transportation. The Ministry speaks of adding new teachers to schools to assist with student success, and we support these initiatives, but the reality is that every new teacher adds an average of over seven thousands dollars to a deficit that is in the millions of dollars in this line. We applaud the Ministry for recognizing the true cost of the salary increases set under the provincial framework earlier this year, but continue to call on them to address the gap between what a teacher is paid and the amount funded by the Ministry. This situation, left unaddressed, will continue to create financial hardship on this Dufferin-Peel and many others across the province. The deficit in special education funding was not helped by the Effectiveness and Equity Fund, which clawed back over four million dollars that Dufferin-Peel had been allocated, and I should say rightfully earned, to assist those that need our help the most, and gave back just over half of this amount. Our transportation funding is a long running matter that continues to place a heavy financial burden upon both Dufferin-Peel and Peel. We are not able to comprehend the reality that there are Boards in Ontario that are actually receiving more dollars than they require for student transportation, while we continue to annually exceed our revenues while operating a system that double and triple runs buses to achieve maximum efficiencies. How is it possible that a Board in the GTA can receive over \$100 more per pupil than we do for transportation in a similar service area? We constantly bring this issue to the attention of the Ministry and our elected provincial officials, yet the issue remains; funds spent on student transportation are being taken from other areas of the budget while the Ministry fails to recognize the real cost of student transportation in Peel. I would like to close this subject by reading a quote from a letter co-signed in 2002 by a former Peel Board Associate Director, Harinder Takhar, who is now a Cabinet Minister in the current government: "We firmly believe that the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and the Peel District School Board are the most extreme examples of Boards with a legitimate need for assistance in the area of transportation funding." It was true then, and remains even more the case today. Recently, our transportation system has faced challenges with the implementation of a new protocol for our youngest students. While there have been some issues, some quite justifiable, I hope that the overall picture is not lost that, at the end of the day, we do a good job of moving over 50,000 students back and forth on a daily basis across the Peel and Dufferin communities.

This Board has worked hard to bring these issues to the attention of the Ministry. Over forty letters were sent by School Councils across Dufferin-Peel this summer highlighting these matters, in addition to meetings with our staff and the Ministry, and repeated letters calls, and releases to our local MPP's. This Friday, we will meet again with our provincial elected officials in the hope that they will bring our very real situation to the cabinet table. If there is one disappointment for myself as Chair, it is that I have not been able to meet with the Minister to present our case. Over the summer, and again over the past few weeks, I have made repeated calls to the Ministry seeking a meeting, and for the most part these calls have not been returned. At the October OCSTA meeting, Trustees were told by the Minister that

he was willing to meet with us, and that someone would be in touch with our Board to set up such a meeting, but to date there has been no call and I have left five messages, with only one being returned. It is unfortunate that our requests for a meeting are not being granted.

The past year has seen overall positive results from the EQAO test results, as our staff continue to focus on literacy and numeracy initiatives to address student achievement. We will continue to focus on initiatives that promote success in the classroom and provide opportunities for each student to realize their full potential.

As Chair of the Board, I have made numerous mentions of the charitable endeavours of Dufferin-Peel. While we do not document the collective results of our efforts, we can safely say that each and every one of our schools puts Catholic values into their actions and demonstrate that we are a system with a difference. There are too many examples to list, but over the past three years, as Chair, I have made it a priority to mention at these meetings these and other 'good news' stories from the daily life of Dufferin-Peel that show the overwhelming positive side of education. Yes, there have been issues, and yes, there are the difficult decisions that we have to make here at the Board table, but at the end of the day I do believe that the quiet positive examples outweigh the negatives that often steal the spotlight.

Three years ago, Trustees gave me an opportunity to serve in a leadership role, as Chair of the flagship Board of Catholic education. It has been an incredibly wonderful experience. I have learned a great deal, met many amazing people, and most importantly come to know, more than any other time in my fourteen years as a Trustee, of the great fabric that is woven together under the name of Dufferin-Peel. To serve in leadership is a very noble calling, and to be selected by your peers is even more honorable. I don't want to roll the credits, per say, but I think I would be remiss if I didn't thank my fellow Trustees for their confidence and support in allowing me to serve as Chair of the Board. I would like to also thank our staff both here at the Board and in the schools whose commitment to the well being of students makes our job as Trustees easier to manage. It is always dangerous to single out people, but I would like to mention Mike Bator, who often says that his day peaks at 6:30 AM when the phone rings; Mike McPhee, my Superintendent for the last seven years, who taught me that life can be summed up in three thoughts: work hard, play hard, and have fun, and Cathy Saytar and Marianne Mazzorato, who have continued this philosophy as the new Superintendents of my particular families of schools. Finally I have to thank our Louie League hockey team for enduring the games that I missed while attending Board functions, although the rumor is that the goals against average gets better when I am away! If there is one regret it is that the two people who deserved to see the me in this role didn't get the chance to do so, and to my parents I thank them for all that they did for me. It has been a pleasure to serve as Chair of the Board, to be the first graduate of the system to do so, and I close with the same words that I said when I was elected Chair three years ago: not bad for a kid who came all the way from Lester Pearson school in Brampton.

Motion 370 (05-11-22) by M. Pascucci      Seconded by A. Abbruscato

THAT THE CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL ADDRESS BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

Trustee J. K. Adamson applauded the accomplishments of Chair A. Peters and thanked him for his many years of service and dedication.

D Delegations

1. Holy Name of Mary Secondary School Council – R. Finnie

The delegation was withdrawn from the agenda.

E Information

1 *Trustee and Staff Reports for Receipt*

a Protocol For Primary Transported Students – J. P. Melito

Motion 371 (05-11-22) by F. Di Cosola      Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE REPORT CONCERNING THE PROTOCOL FOR PRIMARY  
TRANSPORTED STUDENTS BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

John P. Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, outlined the steps taken by staff as a followup to trustees concerns in reaction to an email from one of the Board's contract Bus Operators. As a result of discussions with bus operators and communication with school administrators, all parties are following the protocol as originally intended.

T. Howe, Manager of Student Transportation, confirmed that school administration is responsible for providing the revised list of students. Although one week may be the set up time required for transportation services to assign the appropriate bus for newly registered students, it is possible that students will be assigned to their bus in less time.

2 *Information and Correspondence for Receipt*

a Letter of Retirement – J. W. Watts, Associate Director of Education, Instructional Services

The Director of Education, Chair, Vice-Chair and all Trustees asked to speak on behalf of J. W. Watts, Associate Director of Education – Instructional Services.

The Director of Education, M. G. Bator, recalled that he first became aware of John Watts twenty-one years ago when he was appointed as Vice-Principal of Cardinal Leger Secondary School. Following that appointment, he became Principal of St. Paul Secondary School, Superintendent of the Mississauga West Family of Schools, Superintendent of Planning, Superintendent of Employee Relations and subsequently

Associate Director in 1996. What sometimes is missed in the career of an individual who is committed to Catholic education in particular is the effort and sacrifice, not only of himself, but also of his family.

Being an associate director, director and supervisory officer is a reward in many ways, but is a reward that is earned based on the level of commitment people bring, not just to the job, but more importantly to the people they serve. During John Watts career in Dufferin-Peel it has been a career rooted in servant leadership, he has friends in every level in this system and that friendship is justified at every level.

The Director acknowledged that it was a great honour to recommend that regrettably the board accept this letter of retirement. It is a retirement that is well deserved.

Chair A. Peters congratulated Associate Director Watts and noted that during his fourteen years of being a trustee he has always been impressed with his knowledge, experience and commitment to children. At the end of the day that is what we are here for, and John has had the vision to see and know what is best for the children. We wish you well and hope that you come back for a visit.

Trustee J. K. Adamson said that Associate Director John Watts was in all respect the personification of a true Catholic educational leader.

Trustee A. Abbruscato congratulated Associate Director Watts and appreciated the fact that he always made her feel part of the Dufferin-Peel family. She thanked him for his kindness.

Trustee A. Casuga thanked Associate Directors Watts for his guidance and noted that when he and John would have a different opinion they always respected each others point of view.

Vice-Chair E. O'Toole thanked Associate Director John Watts for his years of service and dedication to schools and students. She also remarked about his positive attitude and his devotion to his family.

Trustee M. Pascucci acknowledged John's great attitude and wished him a happy retirement.

Trustee F. DiCosola expressed appreciation for John's warmth and openness and wished him well.

Trustee B. Iannicca thanked Associate Director Watts for his guidance and friendship and wished him well in his new endeavours.

Trustee P. Ferreira echoed the sentiments of his colleagues and thanked him for his dedication and service to the Board.

Motion 372 (05-11-22) by J. K. Adamson Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM J. W. WATTS, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES, BE RECEIVED WITH REGRET.

*CARRIED*

b Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee

With regard to Sabrina's Law, Cathy Saytar, Superintendent of Schools, advised that the document has been worked on by a committee of staff and currently is being vetted through a variety of stakeholders. Final revisions are being made and it is the hope of the committee that it will be brought to the Board in December, 2005.

Motion 373 (05-11-22) by E. O'Toole                      Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE, OCTOBER 19, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

c Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils

Motion 374 (05-11-22) by P. Ferreira                      Seconded by J. K. Adamson

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS, NOVEMBER 10, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

d Minutes of the Caledon Public Library Board Meeting of September 14, 2005

Motion 375 (05-11-22) by F. Di Cosola                      Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CALEDON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

e Minutes of the Brampton Public Library Board Meeting of September 27, 2005

Motion 376 (05-11-22) by J. K. Adamson                      Seconded by E. O'Toole

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE BRAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 27, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

f Letter from the Peel District School Board

Motion 377 (05-11-22) by B. Iannicca                      Seconded by A. Casuga

THAT THE LETTER FROM THE PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD TO THE HONOURABLE GERARD KENNEDY, MINISTER OF EDUCATION, BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

Motion 378 (05-11-22) by J. K. Adamson    Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO THE HONOURABLE GERARD KENNEDY, MINISTER OF EDUCATION, REQUESTING A MEMBER SCALE ADJUSTMENT. THIS LETTER IS TO BE COPIED TO: THE HONOURABLE JOHN GERRETSEN, MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS & HOUSING, ALL PEEL MPPs, REGION OF PEEL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AND THE ONTARIO CATHOLIC SUPERVISORY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION.

*CARRIED*

g Letter from the Toronto District School Board Regarding English-As-A-Second Language Classes

Motion 379 (05-11-22) by P. Ferreira    Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE LETTER FROM THE TORONTO DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD REGARDING ENGLISH-AS-A-SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES, BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

F Committee, Staff and Trustee Reports Requiring Action

1. Minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee Meeting of November 7, 2005 – M. Pascucci

Motion 380 (05-11-22) by B. Iannicca    Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 7, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

Trustee M. Pascucci put forth the following amendment re the list of proposed Best Start locations:

Motion 381 (05-11-22) by M. Pascucci    Seconded by B. Iannicca

THAT ST. JAMES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ST. DOMENIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BE CONSIDERED FOR BEST START LOCATIONS.

*Defeated*

In response to questions, J. P. Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, clarified that the schools mentioned were not placed on the preliminary list due to a number of restrictions. Superintendent Melito further clarified that this is the first phase of a process run by the region. As requested by trustees, the criteria was distributed via e-mail following the November meeting of the Administration and Finance Committee and staff's position remains unchanged.

Superintendent Melito responded to several questions regarding submissions by other boards and in particular the submission by the Peel District School Board. He advised that it is his understanding that Peel Board, and other boards across the Province, submitted based on the criteria. Superintendent Melito indicated that it is his understanding that the Peel Board has schools in the south area that have a JK/SK enrolment which meets the criteria. It is not an attempt to match board to board in any one location.

Associate Director of Corporate Services, J. B. Kostoff, added that the issue of this board wanting a presence in the south was raised with the Region of Peel.

Motion 382 (05-11-22) by B. Iannicca      Seconded by

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD RELEASE THE LIST OF PROPOSED BEST START LOCATIONS TO THE REGION OF PEEL CHILDREN'S SERVICES FOR REVIEW.

*CARRIED*

Motion 383 (05-11-22) by B. Iannicca      Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLE THE DEVELOPMENT OF EARLY LEARNING CENTRES (HUBS) AND THAT FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS BE UNDERTAKEN INTO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF EARLY LEARNING CENTRES.

*CARRIED*

2. Minutes of the Program and Faith Committee Meeting – A. Abbruscato

Motion 384 (05-11-22) by A. Abbruscato      Seconded by A. Casuga

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PROGRAM AND FAITH COMMITTEE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

Motion 385 (05-11-22) by A. Abbruscato    Seconded by P. Ferreira

THAT THE DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DUFFERIN-PEEL  
CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AND THE FEDERAZIONE DEI  
CALABRESI DELL 'ONTARIO BE APPROVED.

*CARRIED*

Trustees requested that the signing of the agreement be formalized and that the  
media be advised.

3. Minutes of the Contract Negotiations Committee Meeting – L. Zanella

Motion 386 (05-11-22) by E. O'Toole                      Seconded by P. Ferreira

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16, 2005 BE RECEIVED.

*CARRIED*

G     Notice of Motion  
      Nil

H     Other Business  
      Nil

I     Questions Asked by, and of, Board Members

1. Referring to an article in People for Education, Vice-Chair E. O'Toole congratulated Chair A. Peters for noting the lack of commitment of the Province regarding funding.
2. Vice-Chair E. O'Toole thanked Chair A. Peters for supporting her in her position as Vice-Chair as well as for his work done on behalf of all trustees. She indicated that she would not be seeking the position of Vice-Chair for 2006 and would be asking for consideration for the position of chair.
3. In response to Trustee Iannicca's question about St. Timothy, Superintendent J. P. Melito indicated that staff is still awaiting the permit and are working through the issues with the City and Region. At this point it is believed that the completion date will be met.
4. Trustee B. Iannicca spoke of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Catherine of Siena School. He congratulated T. Cruz, Principal and E. Fillippozi, Vice-Principal, staff and students for their phenomenal work in preparation of this significant event.
5. Trustee P. Ferreira brought forward the following activities that took place in the past month:

- Superintendent V. A. Nichilo and himself attended the PLASP Annual meeting on November 7, 2005 and brought greetings from the Board. Dufferin-Peel was recognized for our on-going relationship with PLASP;
  - On behalf of the Board, Trustee P. Ferreira attended the Brampton Safe City Annual Awards on November 10<sup>th</sup>;
  - As part of Fire Prevention Week, Trustee P. Ferreira participated in the province wide fire drill on October 12, 2005. There was a draw for all schools that participated and St. Joseph School was “chosen” for the top prize of \$1000. The presentation was realized on November 15<sup>th</sup> by fire Chief Gary Morden and Chief of Fire Prevention Brian Walsh;
  - Trustee P. Ferreira also commented on his participation in a community discussion on health held November 12, 2005 at the UTM campus. M. G. Bator, current Chair of the Centre attended as did the Mayor and the newly appointed President of the University of Toronto, Dr. D. Naylor. The HCSC defines health broadly to include personal, environmental, social and community health. Their vision reads: Mississauga will be a Healthy City of people with optimal physical, mental and spiritual health. The aim is to develop a Healthy Mississauga 2010 Plan by year end.
6. Trustee A. Casuga asked if the Director had been contacted by B. Delaney, MPP, in response to the letter written by S. Hobin, Loyola Council Chair. The Director indicated that B. Delaney had contacted him and asked for further information. Within the week, the Director and Associate Director J. B. Kostoff met with him and he was able to facilitate a contact with K. Wynn, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Education. A representative of the Minister, at the staff level, will be attending our meeting with local MPP’s on Friday, November 25, 2005.
  7. In response to Trustee M. Pascucci’s inquiry regarding the status of St. Sofia School with regard to overcrowding, Associate Director of Corporate Services, advised that the issues fall under the Ministry initiative “Good Places to Learn”. Once the document is received, staff will be bringing capital plans forward to the Board to address the issues. Currently there are no other locations for St. Sofia.  
  
With respect to the security issues, Associate Director Kostoff advised that he had sent trustees an e-mail identifying the changes made at the school. A report addressing the concerns of the St. Sofia community will be brought forward within the next two months.
  8. Trustee J. K. Adamson asked trustees to concentrate their efforts on the United Way/ShareLife campaign and encouraged them to participate in the payroll deduction plan.
  9. In response to a question asked by Trustee F. Di Cosola regarding the third party transportation program, J. P. Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations reminded trustees of the update provided last month. He indicated that it is staffs intention is to bring forward a concurrent report with the Peel Board in January or February 2006.

10. Vice-Chair E. O'Toole asked for an update on construction at St. Albert of Jerusalem Elementary School. In response, J. P. Melito, Superintendent of Planning and Operations, confirmed that at this time the completion date of this project will be met.
11. Chair A. Peters inquired about the Ministry web-site submission with respect to "Good Places to Learn" and long term plans due in December. Superintendent J. P. Melito clarified that the long term plan originally due at the end of October is still outstanding as information has not been provided by the Ministry. The web page referred to is not the web page to submit the original plan but a web page to capture data leading to the long term plan. It is possible that the December due date may be extended.

B. Bjarnason, Manager of Planning, advised that December 16 is the date that school boards have been given. Staff is attempting to input the data into the web site but is experiencing numerous difficulties. We are continuing to work with the Ministry until the process is complete.
12. With regard to Chair A. Peters inquiry regarding school budgets, Associate Director, Corporate Services, advised that a report will be brought forward to the trustees within the next month.
13. Chair A. Peters raised the issue of notification to pastors in the area when a new school is being built. In response, the Director of Education, M. G. Bator, clarified that on a regular bases, the Director and Associate Director meet with the Bishop and provide him with a copy of the Board's Destination booklet along with commentary. Supervisory Officers are also very active in advising Pastors.
14. In response to Chair A. Peters' question about notifying the Peel Board when we make a decision to change a boundary or cap enrolment, the Director of Education, M. G. Bator, advised that Executive Council meets with their counterparts at the Peel Board, at least three times a year, and raise issues of mutual interest.

J Business/Questions/Information In Camera

Motion 387 (05-11-22) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by M. Pascucci

THAT THE BOARD RESOLVE INTO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR  
THE IN CAMERA SESSION. ( 8:30 P.M.)

*CARRIED*

K Rise and Report

Motion 389 (05-11-22) by B. Iannicca

Seconded by P. Ferreira

THAT THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA BE PRESENTED AND THAT THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS BE ADOPTED.

*CARRIED*

L Future Meetings

Organizational Board Meeting, December 6, 2005

Regular Board Meeting, December 13, 2005

Special Board Meeting, January 9, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, January 31, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, February 28, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, March 28, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, April 25, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, May 23, 2006

Regular Board Meeting, June 13, 2006

M Adjournment

Motion 390(05-11-22) by A. Abbruscato

Seconded by F. Di Cosola

THAT THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING BE ADJOURNED. (12:15 A.M.)

*CARRIED*

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*Secretary of the Board*

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*Chairperson*