

Regular Board Meeting
June 15, 2026 - 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present:

Trustees: Chair Mary Helen Van Loon; Vice-chair Amy Cronin; Trustees Tina Doherty; Sue Muller, and Jim McDade

Student Trustee: Dean DeLuca, St. Michael CSS, Stratford, Addison Thuss, St. Anne's CSS, Clinton

Senior Administration: Chief Executive Officer Karen Tigani; Superintendents of Education Tara Boreham, Sean McDade; and Superintendent of Business & Treasurer Sarah Devereaux

Absent: Board Chaplain, Deacon Daniel McPhee

1. Opening Business

1.1. Opening Prayer & Condolences - Vice-Chair Cronin

1.2. Land Acknowledgement -Trustee McDade

1.3. Attendance - Noted above at start of meeting

1.4. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Agenda

1.5.

Moved by: Jim McDade

Seconded by: Amy Cronin

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board approves the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of June 15, 2026.

Carried

1.6. Declaration of Interest

1.7. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Sue Muller

Seconded by: Jim McDade

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board approves the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of May 25, 2026.

Carried

1.8. Business Arising from the Minutes

2. Presentations

- 2.1.** Ontario Skills Competition (Construction Gold Medalists): Connor A., Beckett N., Noble D., and Vaughan B. (Sacred Heart School, Wingham). Coached by Mrs. Blake and Ms. Siertsema.
- 2.2.** Ontario Skills Competition (Aesthetics Gold Medalist): Elly S. (St. Michael CSS). Supported by teacher Mrs. VonEuw.
- 2.3.** MusicFest Canada (Band Gold Medalists): Senior members Divine G., Amanda M., and Alicia R. (St. Anne's CSS). Supported by teacher Mr. Geddis.
- 2.4.** Introduction and welcome of new student trustees - Quinn Palen, St. Anne's Catholic SS, Clinton and Ronnel Charles, St. Michael, CSS, Stratford for the 2026-27 school year.

3. Delegations

4. Consent Agenda

- 4.1.** June Board Highlights
- 4.2.** Approved Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2026
- 4.3.** Broadband Internet Services (WALK-IN)

Trustees inquired about the source of funding for the vegetable boxes produced for Kettle Point. Superintendent (SO) McDade clarified that the initiative was funded through the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP) alongside budgeted student projects. In response to a follow-up query regarding whether students are permitted to sell the items they create, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Tigani noted that because the necessary time and labour are central to the student learning process, teachers require roughly one semester's notice to effectively plan for larger scale projects in the curriculum. Finally, Trustees questioned why broadband costs at St. Anne's Catholic Secondary School (SACSS) are notably higher than those at St. Michael Catholic Secondary School (SMCSS). SO Devereaux explained that the variance is primarily driven by the school's geographical location, its bandwidth requirements and fewer vendors in the area.

Moved by: Tina Doherty

Seconded by: Amy Cronin

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives all reports, committee minutes, and approves all motions under the consent agenda, which are:

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Board Highlights for June for information.

AND

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the approved Catholic Parent Involvement Committee (CPIC) Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2026

AND

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board awards RFP 25-26-07 for Broadband Internet Services to the Bidders detailed in the Broadband Internet Services report at the monthly fees listed, for a period of three years plus an optional two-year extension in one-year increments.

Carried

5. Committee and Staff Reports

5.1. Policy

5.1.1. Board Policies for Review:

a) Video Surveillance Policy (P3.1.5.)

Trustees inquired about the panels involved in video surveillance, CEO Tigani clarified that it primarily applies to secondary schools, currently only a few elementary schools are included. Trustees raised questions about parents' requesting access to video footage. SO Devereaux and CEO Tigani explained that any release must strictly comply with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). This process requires a formal Freedom of Information (FOI) request and is subject to restrictions. Trustees requested clarification on whether parents are actively informed of this FOI requirement and emphasized the need for a clear understanding of MFIPPA regulations and parental rights. Staff will review the current language in the student Code of Conduct regarding parental rights as they relate to video surveillance access. Regarding a query on linking the Administrative Procedures (APs) directly within the policy, SO Devereaux and CEO Tigani clarified that the public policy contains parent-facing information, whereas APs are designed for internal staff guidance. However, staff agreed to take the feedback back for review and provide a report in the fall.

Moved by: Sue Muller

Seconded by: Jim McDade

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives policy Video Surveillance Policy (P3.1.5.) for information.

Carried

5.1.2. Board Policies Recommended for Approval/Rescinding:

b) Artificial Intelligence (P3.2.2.)

c) Trustee Expenses (P1.2.3)

Trustees inquired about the inclusion of Equity and Inclusive Education Policy 2.2.6 in the reference section of the revised Artificial Intelligence (AI) Policy. CEO Tigani and SO McDade clarified that the Equity policy guided the development of the AI policy to address inherent bias, aligning with the Board's direction to cross-reference the Equity policy where applicable.

Moved by: Jim McDade

Seconded by: Amy Cronin

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board approves the following policies: Artificial Intelligence (P3.2.2.) and Trustee Expenses (P1.2.3).

Carried

5.2. Student Achievement and Catholicity

5.2.1. Strategic Priorities Annual Review Report

Superintendent McDade and Superintendent Boreham presented the highlights, successes, and next steps regarding the Board's strategic plan goals. In response to Trustee inquiries about Tier 2 and Tier 3 interventions at the elementary level, SO Boreham clarified that support is provided within the classroom by teachers, Special Education Resource Teachers (SERTs), Literacy Resource Teachers, and Educational Assistants, ensuring that core Tier 1 instructional time is never disrupted. Regarding a query on the ongoing implementation of

Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectations (OCGSEs), CEO Tigani noted that while the program existed prior to the current strategic plan, the current goal is to ensure it is 100% embedded across the system. Addressing Trustee requests for clearer, measurable metrics to track overall system progress from the start of the strategic plan to the present, CEO Tigani explained that while this specific update serves as a high-level report card, detailed data reports are provided throughout the year; as an action item, staff will provide a comprehensive end-of-year-three report featuring comparative data, numerical metrics, and charts to explicitly demonstrate growth and system impact.

Moved by: Sue Muller

Seconded by: Tina Doherty

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Strategic Priorities Annual Review report for information.

Carried

5.2.2. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-racism (EDIAR) report

Trustees questioned why gender diversity was omitted from the current report. Superintendent Boreham clarified that the presented report outlines the specific work plan established for the current school year, noting that while related initiatives are occurring locally at the secondary level through social justice and student clubs, it was not a district-wide focus for this period. To address future initiatives, a new action plan subcommittee will be formed at the upcoming EDIAR committee meeting to determine priorities and establish goals for the next school year.

Moved by: Jim McDade

Seconded by: Amy Cronin

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Anti-racism report for information.

Carried

5.2.3. EDIAR Work Plan

Moved by: Jim McDade

Seconded by: Sue Muller

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the 2025-2026 Equity, Diversity, Inclusive and Anti- Racism Work Plan for information.

Carried

5.2.4. Revised Special Education Plan

Superintendent Boreham shared the key changes to the plan.

Moved by: Amy Cronin

Seconded by: Tina Doherty

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Revised Special Education Plan report for information.

Carried

5.2.5. Summer Program Report

Trustees inquired about the number of attendees in the summer programs. Superintendent Boreham shared that the numbers are not confirmed but a follow up report with participation numbers will be presented at the September meeting.

Moved by: Tina Doherty

Seconded by: Amy Cronin

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Summer Programs report for information.

Carried

5.2.6. Concussion Policy: Baseline Data report

Moved by: Amy Cronin

Seconded by: Jim McDade

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Concussion Policy: Baseline Data report for information.

Carried

5.2.7. Student Trustees' Report

Outgoing student trustees introduced the incoming trustees. Chair Van Loon thanked the outgoing student trustees and expressed gratitude for their contributions to the Board.

Moved by: Tina Doherty

Seconded by: Sue Muller

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board receives the Student Trustees' report for information.

Carried

5.3. Corporate Services and Operations

5.3.1. 2026-27 Draft Budget

Vice-Chair Cronin left the meeting.

Superintendent Devereaux provided an overview of the budget presentation and answered trustee questions.

Moved by: Jim McDade

Seconded by: Sue Muller

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board approves Revenue in the amount of \$87,861,791, and Expenditures in the amount of \$87,861,791 for the period of September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2027.

Carried

6. Information and Correspondence

6.1. Letter from The Order of St. Andre Bessette Recipient

6.2. Thank you card from the St. Columban Huron-Perth Catholic Trustees' Student Leadership Award recipient

6.3. Thank you card from a staff member for bereavement condolences.

7. Notices of Motion

8. Notices of Motion Being Considered for Adoption

9. Trustee Inquiries

- 9.1. Trustees inquired about the status to link Administrative Procedures to Board policies as applicable. CEO Tigani responded that this will be a summer project with a plan to report back to the Board in the fall.
- 9.2. Trustees discussed adjusting future June Board meeting dates to allow the Finance department more time to prepare the budget presentation. It was noted that under the current by-laws, the June 21, 2027 meeting provides sufficient time, but the Board will keep this in mind for future years when the meeting date falls earlier in the month.

10. In-Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting

Moved by: Tina Doherty

Seconded by: Sue Muller

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board moves to an In-Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting

Carried

11. Rise and Report on the In-Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting and Approval of the Business of the In-Camera Session

Moved by: Sue Muller

Seconded by: Jim McDade

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board approves all motions in the In-Camera Session of the Regular Board Meeting.

Carried

The following motion was approved:

THAT the appraisal for the evaluation cycle of the Director of Education has been conducted
AND

THAT the final performance appraisal report has been adopted by resolution of the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board.

AND

The following retirements were announced

- Christina DeLuca, Teacher, St. Patrick's School, Dublin effective June 30, 2026
- Theresa Mahood, Teacher, St. Michael Catholic SS, Stratford, effective June 30, 2026
- Lori Parsons, Designated Early Childhood Educator, St. Patrick's School, Dublin, effective August 30, 2026

12. Future Meetings and Events

- Tuesday, June 16, 2026 - EDIAR Meeting
- Thursday, June 25 - Secondary School Graduations
- Monday, August 24, 2026 - Regular Meeting of the Board

13. Closing Prayer - CEO, Karen Tigani

14. Adjournment

Moved by: Sue Muller

Seconded by: Jim McDade

THAT the Huron-Perth Catholic District School Board adjourns the Regular Board Meeting of June 15, 2026.

Carried

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY