

Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting held on Monday, May 11th, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. in the Boardroom and by Google meet (*).

Present

- Trustees/Members: Chair John Connolly (Committee Chairperson), Trustee Kevin MacKenzie (Board Chairperson), Trustee Jenny Leahy, Trustee Loretta Durst, Trustee Mary Ann Martin, Trustee Kathleen Tanguay, Trustee Carter Peios (Senior Student Trustee)(*).
- Absent/Regrets: Trustee Joshua Glover, Trustee Vivica Muinde (Junior Student Trustee), Superintendent Wayne Clark.
- Administration: Director Stephen O'Sullivan, Superintendent Jonathan Di Ianni, Superintendent Sean Heuchert, Superintendent Julie Selby, Superintendent Sheila Piggott, Superintendent Darren Kahler.
- Recorder: Mrs. Sarah Barker.

A. Call to Order

Trustee Connolly called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

1. Opening Prayer

Superintendent Di Ianni led the Committee of the Whole in Opening Prayer.

2. Land Acknowledgement

Superintendent Heuchert provided a land acknowledgement that respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we gather and learn daily is the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississauga Anishinaabe and that we make this acknowledgement to honour our relationship with the Williams Treaty First Nations of Alderville, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Scugog Island.

3. Approval of Agenda

Trustee John Connolly (Chair) advised the committee that he received a notice of motion electronically after the agenda had been released, for the May 11, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting. The notice of motion was requested by Trustee Joshua Glover in regards to the Pedagogical Integrity of the French Immersion Model. Trustee Connolly advised this motion was out of order due to the following:

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1. The motion seeks to direct operational and administrative functions delegated to the Director of Education rather than addressing matters within the Board's governance authority.
2. The motion attempts to compel a specific advisory committee process not established in Board policy or procedural by-law.

The Chair ruled the motion out of order.

There was discussion that the French as a Second Language Advisory Committee was not contacted or consulted ahead of the notice of motion being requested.

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Tanguay, seconded by Board Chairperson MacKenzie, that the Committee of the Whole Open Agenda for Monday, May 11th, 2026, be accepted.

Carried.

4. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of Monday, April 13th, 2026

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Tanguay, seconded by Trustee Durst, that the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting Minutes from Monday, April 13th, 2026, be accepted.

Carried.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

B. Recommended Actions/Presentations

1. Core Education Funding (CEF) Update

Sean Heuchert, Superintendent

Superintendent Sean Heuchert advised that PVNC Catholic has not received their Core Education Funding from the Ministry of Education as of yet.

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PVNC Catholic's Finance Department has continued to work on the incremental 2026-2027 school year budget, but will not be able to confirm the budget until they have received the CEF announcement from the Ministry of Education.

PVNC Catholic will need to present a supplemental budget timeline if the CEF is not received shortly. Initially the draft budget is set to be presented at the June 8th, 2026, Committee of the Whole meeting, in order to have it approved at the June 23rd, 2026, Board meeting. If the delay continues, the draft budget may need to be presented at the June 23rd, 2026 Board meeting, with a special Board meeting added on July 7th, 2026 to approve the budget.

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Tanguay, seconded by Trustee Durst,
that the Committee of the Whole receive the Core Education Funding Update.

Carried

2. Staffing Update Report

Darren Kahler, Superintendent

Superintendent Darren Kahler presented the Staffing Report from the agenda package.

There were discussions regarding enrolment including the surplus process for teachers.

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Martin, seconded by Board Chairperson MacKenzie,
that the Committee of the Whole receive the Staffing Update Report.

Carried

Superintendent Darren Kahler reported back to the committee regarding a request from the previous Committee of the Whole meeting on April 13th, 2026, in regards to staffing costs discussed during the Interim Financial Report that was presented.

Superintendent Kahler discussed the percentage rate of supply jobs being filled, and that some regions across the board have higher fill rates than others. These rates fluctuate throughout the school year. The Board is proactively hosting job fairs in specific areas to encourage local hiring.

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MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Durst, seconded by Trustee Tanguay, that the Committee of the Whole receive the Staff Fill Rate Report requested from the April 13, 2026, meeting.

Carried

C. Information Items:

1. Active School Travel

Sean Heuchert, Superintendent

Superintendent Sean Heuchert referred the committee to the package provided by Clarington Councillor Corinna Traill. Superintendent Heuchert had a meeting with the Councillor, and wanted the committee to be updated regarding the motion proposed by Councillor Traill regarding the Trailblazer Active School Travel Pilot Program.

There were concerns raised regarding this proposed program with safety, liability and supervision of students.

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Tanguay, seconded by Board Chairperson MacKenzie, that the Committee of the Whole receive the Active School Travel Report.

Carried

D. Old Business:

There was a request for Superintendent Heuchert to prepare and present a report regarding fees associated with Schoolcash Online for the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

E. New Business:

There was no new business.

F. Next Meeting:

1. June 8th, 2026, Boardroom, 6:30 p.m.

G. Conclusion:

1. Closing Prayer

Superintendent Di Ianni led the Committee of the Whole in closing prayer.

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2. Adjournment

MOTION:

Moved by: Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Tanguay,
that the Committee of the Whole Open Meeting be adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Carried.

John Connolly
Committee Chairperson
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Sean Heuchert
Superintendent of Business
and Finance