



York Catholic District School Board

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Statement from the York Catholic District School Board re: April 25, 2023 Board Meeting

The York Catholic District School Board heard two delegations at its Tuesday, April 25, 2023, Regular Board Meeting regarding the possibility of flying the Progress Pride Fly at the Catholic Education Centre during June.

At the end of the first delegation on this issue, a number of members of the public gallery became disruptive. When these individuals would not come to order, they were asked to leave the Board Room. Many members of the public then remained in the atrium of the Board Office, where the situation required the police to attend to ensure the safety of all members of the public. When the police arrived, many individuals left the Board Office without being asked to do so.

The York Catholic District School Board monitors for any possible disruption that could happen before a Board Meeting and works proactively with security and the police to ensure the safety of all those who attend our meetings.

The York Catholic District School Board is involved in ongoing conversations with a number of stakeholders about whether or not to fly the Progress Pride Flag at their central office in June. There was no motion on the table last night for voting and there has not yet been a decision on flying the Pride Flag at the YCDSB.

The York Catholic District School Board is committed to our Catholic faith and to the well-being of our students and staff. The YCDSB believes that 2SLGBTBQ+ students are loved by God and are valued members of our school communities.