Hello to my Trustee Daniel Di Giorgio, all Trustees and Staff.

Good evening my name is Luisa Polidoro I am a proud Chaminade parent and member of the CSPC, I am here to delegate against your recent motion of not enforcing the uniform this year.

When I found out <u>on Friday evening</u> that this was decided I could not believe it as I had no clue that this was even being considered - usually you hear from the board that a new policy is coming into effect or changed and parents are asked to provide input much like the CSPC Policy, budget etc. How can such a change take place one week before school starts without even asking the parents if they wanted it in the first place? I know many parents that DO want uniform as it not only makes us different as a Catholic community, but also provides safety to our schools so we know who the students are that are entering the building - and the many Chaminade students that I have talked to also want the uniform at Chaminade as they are proud and like to wear it.

Parents have already purchased their uniform items for the year, and now being told that the students do not need to wear uniforms just does not make sense - our kids are already having to learn new rules at school, by having everyone in the same school uniform gives them a sense of belonging and truly "being in it together". It is an honour for my son to wear his uniform and he wears it proudly. Our school community opted for the roll out of shorts to be apart of our uniforms this year and many parents as myself have purchased them as well.

I respectfully ask that you rescind this motion as there was no proper consultation with parents and that it is not the time to make haste decisions a week before school starts.

Thanking you in advance for allowing me to be heard this evening. Luisa Polidoro