



**Minutes of the Central Committee for Catholic School Councils Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 7, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Conference Call**

Chair: Dominique- Darmanin Sturgeon  
Vice-Chair: Roxanne Smith  
Trustee: Stefano Pascucci  
Superintendent: Wayne Brunton

**Members**

Present:

Stefano Pascucci	Trustee
Wayne Brunton	Superintendent
Silvana Gos	Superintendent
Brian Diogo	Principal/ Vice-Principal Elementary Association
Alexis Galvao	Principal / Vice-Principal Secondary Association
Jessica Price	Dufferin-Peel Secondary Unit OECTA Representative
Giovanna Chiodo	Dufferin-Peel Elementary Unit OECTA Representative
Mary Licata	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton- Secondary
Karen Dancy	Brampton North-East- Elementary
Carla Mynerich	Brampton North-East - Secondary
Freduah Agyemang, Alternate	Brampton West- Elementary
Dominique Darmanin- Sturgeon	Brampton West - Secondary
Laurie-Anne Clark	Mississauga Brampton Central- Elementary
Cheryl Brohart, Alternate	Mississauga Brampton Central - Secondary
Donna Lomba	Mississauga East- Elementary
Maria Scupham, Alternate	Mississauga East- Secondary
Dinah Langley	Mississauga North - Secondary
Gail Briand- Santo, Alternate	Mississauga South- Elementary
Roxanne Smith	Mississauga South- Secondary
Jennifer Millson	OAPCE Representative

Recorder: Angela Charette- Executive  
Administrative Assistant

Regrets:

Absent: Ebenezer Addei  
Marisol Avila  
Jennifer Cazabon  
Leanne DeSouza Kenney  
Anna Farmer  
Ian Lodge

## **A Routine Matters**

1. Call to Order

Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Special intentions- families of Ukraine

Regrets were noted, guests welcomed, and attendance taken

2. Land Acknowledgement – Wayne Brunton

3. Opening Prayer – Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon

4. Welcome and Introduction

a. Welcome and Declaration of CCCSC Representatives

i. Declaration of Conflict of Interest - Nil

b. Declaration of Alternates by Family of Schools- Nil

c. Identification of Observers and Guests

Kesh Sharma, ICT Support

Pina Grosso, Chief Social Worker

Camila Gonzalez, Senior Child and Youth Care Practitioner

Dea Sokoli, Student Trustee

Leroy Onuoha, Student Trustee

Mike Brunetto

Yvette Lemonious

5. Approval of Minutes of March 3, 2022, Meeting

**THAT MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2022, MEETING BE APPROVED.**

**Moved by** Mary Licata

**Seconded by** Jennifer Millson

**CARRIED**

6. Business Arising from the Minutes - Nil

8. Approval of the Agenda

**THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED.**

**Moved by** Roxanne Smith

**Seconded by** Dinah Langley

**CARRIED**

## **B Business Matters**

i. Nil

## **C Presentations- Consultation on Anti- Human Trafficking Protocol**

Pina Grosso, Chief Social Worker

Camila Gonzalez, Senior Child and Youth Care Practitioner

- Ministry of Education directed school boards with a policy to develop and formalize protocol in response to confirmed and suspected sex trafficking and human trafficking- in consultation with various community partners
- Data reflects younger victims- schools can focus on prevention and intervention
- PPM 166- policy framework for school boards to address and respond to anti sex trafficking protocols- education is a key sector- broader expansion of information
- Definition: Human Trafficking is a hidden crime and involves recruitment, transportation, harboring and/or exercising control, direction, or influence over the movements of a person to exploit that person, typically through sexual exploitation or forced labor (commonly referred to as sex or labor trafficking.)
- Results include severe trauma for survivors- it is an under reported crime

- Everyone may be at risk- school aged children and youth are targeted- traffickers will identify a vulnerability, form a bond or trust- specific factors include systemic oppression and disproportionalities, females, Indigenous and Black youth, 2SLGBTQ community, youth in care or transitioning out of care, youth with differing abilities, and youth with systematic vulnerabilities and/or insecurities
- Ontario has developed an Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy- addresses key gaps to reinforce Ontario as a leader in combatting human trafficking that include raising awareness, protect victims and intervene early, hold offenders accountable and support survivors
- Under direction of PPM 166 Dufferin Peel has focused on prevention intervention and system wide response strategies-carrying out expectations such as equity seeking groups, enhanced safety and security and seeking out dedicated community supports, enriching opportunities for students to connect to their catholic community
- Prevention Strategies Tip Sheet - information sheet has been made available to all Dufferin Peel staff - highlights definition and students who may be at risk, includes list of warning signs. Professional discretion and consultation are encouraged when examining signs such as: sudden change in personality, changes in group of friends, social withdrawal, change in appearance, re: nails and hair done, secretive about activities, or refusing to introduce a new friend to existing friends, appearing tired, absent from school, two cell phones, hotel and/or air b n b keys, not sharing online activities
- Reports have shown cases of students being trafficked Friday evening to Sunday and having been back in school Monday
- Technology is changing and young people are online more than ever before- parents encouraged to maintain up to date technologies and trends
- Traffickers can be strangers, acquaintances, friends, family members, social media acquaintances, and intimate partners- may pose as a romantic interest, or a professional
- Steps for school personnel to take- collective responsibility for the safety of young people- in-school supports, board level, and community consultation when concern is raised about a young person within the school community
- Professional development module released system wide November 12, 2021, available to all staff- Human Trafficking: Foundational Knowledge for Schools and School Board Staff
- Response protocol- supports staff on how to have conversations- keeping students safe, courageous conversation with family, duty to report to CAS even if a parent is being collaborative- CAS has a differential response and need to respond appropriately, provide supports to family- traffickers often threaten young people- constable's and OPP provide safety protocol- new services may come forward due to unique needs for individuals, appropriate wrap around support
- Additional board prevention and intervention strategies- student presentations, parent presentations in collaboration with the Elizabeth Fry Society, empowering against exploitation groups for female-identified secondary students in collaboration with the Elizabeth Fry Society- program currently under review for male-identified students
- Committed to continuing to consult with different stakeholders to prevent different strategies that include the Indigenous community, Black communities, newcomers, members of SEAC and community members

- Curriculum connections and professional development revised year to year for members of Dufferin Peel to reflect changes, relevant information, and appropriate community supports
- Parent information sheet available on Dufferin Peel website
- Multiple supports are available at school and brought to the Superintendent's attention- response as a system and ensuring wellbeing of student
  - Mike Brunetto: misconception that this happening elsewhere in the world- can training be provided to families
  - Pina Grosso: Differential pathways to reach families- elementary and secondary groups will be embedding this into curriculum in an ongoing way- encouraging parents to keep up with technology, and making sure parents know who their children are interacting with
  - Camila Gonzalez: multi-angled approach raising awareness in elementary and secondary schools- presentations to the parent communities have been offered so parents are aware, successful to date

## D Reports

### 1. Student Trustee Report – Dea Sokoli & Leroy Onuoha

Superintendent Brunton: Congratulations on being the student trustees and being reelected to serve the board- instrumental in leading student senates- representatives are vocal on how students are feeling, and sharing student perspective. Leroy is trustee of the North Division, Dea is Trustee for the South Division.

- i. Previously attended Human Trafficking presentation- included were best practices and statistics for the board and across the province- understanding of marginalized groups being at a disadvantage- responses and local initiatives from the Peel Region and Dufferin County- local groups give students the chance to fight against human trafficking- student senate analyzed the data and concluded that trafficking happens with someone the person previously knew, and focus in on what healthy relationships looks like
- ii. Schools across the board are holding fundraisers in support of Ukraine- the board has a large Ukrainian population- prayers are with these people during such trying times
- iii. Upcoming trip to Ottawa to join the trustees at the annual OCSTA General Meeting- hoping to learn and bring back new things to improve our board
- iv. Online reporting tool name change- social justice contributed to this change- removes stigma associated with this tool- soft rollout will happen in May
- v. First in person Student Senate meeting in May  
Responding to CCCSC community members questions:
- vi. Majority of students are appreciative of switching back to semesters- more time to complete four courses and better understand objectives
- vii. Mask mandate's ending did contribute to some discomfiture- some students were insecure- respected decisions of other students' choices
- viii. The board has done well with supports for academic and mental health resources question was raised- do students know supports exist- more communication that resources are available online will help disseminate that information
- ix. Students would like more clubs and after school curriculars- teachers that have time could provide more support of extra curriculars
- x. CPT's had been the focus during the pandemic- students agree CPT's are a way to boost marks, and succeed in courses- helps students to accumulate knowledge

senate brought up the issue of exam preparations- for students heading to university and also for students who have never written an exam- discussion about possible exam preps being a solution for students- requested students to organize exam prep in their own schools, cafeteria openings and 2SLGBTQ groups

- xi. Mandatory two online credit requirement-not a lot of information on this topic- once more information is obtained Dea, and Leroy will report back
- xii. Remote learning mode was discussed- list of concerns and input for remote learning; how would extra curriculars, social life and access to technology look
- xiii. Next student senate will be held on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Congratulations on second term, trustees value the student trustees' voices- every board meeting there is an update provided

## 2. Trustee Report- Stefano Pascucci

- I. Permits in schools resume on April 4th- nonprofit youth programs will first be issued only as they needed to find alternate locations
- II. Higher populations in schools' trustees have noticed there are more individuals wearing masks- lower populations there are less- it is everyone's choice and students are being mindful
- III. Pizza days and cookie sales have resumed
- IV. Trustees provided an update regarding student projections during Admin and Finance- during the pandemic families began moving outside of the GTA- decrease in student population over next few years- Mississauga and Brampton are still growing, but losing students to out lining regions- per pupil funding will come down
- V. PA Day originally scheduled for June 6 has been changed to June 2<sup>nd</sup>- aligned with the Provincial election and use of schools as polling stations
- VI. Graduations and Proms are going forward- trustees look forward to attending  
Dinah Langley: During Admin and Finance meeting, Philip Pocock was not listed as an FI school- has that changed- and will programs be reviewed to attract more enrollment  
Trustee Stefano Pascucci: Report indicates where families are moving, and the low enrollment is an entire GTA concern. The board of trustees are looking into more programming

## 3. Superintendent Report – Wayne Brunton

- I. Parent Engagement on April 28 public budget consultation- finance goes over the GSN's for next year- enrollment, how GSN is affected by enrollment and where Dufferin Peel stands- zoom link will be sent
- II. April is busy with Holy week- spring events will be held in May- hands on presentations- common requests from each Family of Schools- senior team and exec council agree that some events that cannot be presented at spring events will come forward next year- some presentations may come forward from SEAC
- III. Common themes included Faith, Pastoral Planning, Faith Formation, Equity, Inclusivity, and mental health and wellbeing supports in our schools- May 9, 11, 12 and 16<sup>th</sup> in a webinar format, with a moderator, trustee greetings. Father Tony will come back in May, and June will be Maestro Fresh Wes
- IV. Yearend report for CCCSC- outline of finances will be forthcoming
- V. \$500 grant that councils were given- may be used in best way council may spend it- cannot carry over-

- VI. June 9<sup>th</sup> is our last CCCSC meeting- unfortunately there is a concussion summit conference that Superintendents must attend now- request to move the last date to June 16<sup>th</sup>- will continue with zoom until end of year.  
Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon passed a motion to move the date from June 9th to June 16<sup>th</sup>
- VII. Graduations are being planned- no conflicts in planning
- VIII. Elementary athletics- secondary are different because they are governed by ROPSSA and OFFSA- elementary will not be back to full capacity- clubs and intramurals are being introduced- comfortability of parents must also be respected  
Jennifer Millson: Confirming that secondary schools as well as elementary schools were meant to have a copy of the Trailblazers book  
Superintendent Brunton: Yes, secondary school libraries will have copies of Trailblazers as well as elementary  
Mary Licata: The \$500 council would like to use to support graduation- but there is no meeting in May- can councils go ahead if they are not meeting each month  
Superintendent Brunton: voting members must be in support- capture it in your minutes that members are in agreement  
Dinah Langley: Is there a list of presenters that are approved  
Superintendent Brunton: If there are presenters listed that were used prior, they are most likely vetted- if they are new presenters they need to be approved through the Equity and Inclusivity department  
Dinah Langley: Will in person interviews be happening for secondary students  
Superintendent Brunton: If parents are comfortable coming in person for interviews, they will be allowed to come in- or it could be a phone call  
Dinah Langley: Elementary and Secondary parents are supposed to indicate if they are interested in remote learning; will an update be provided- suggestion that telling parents their answer does affect staffing may be helpful  
Superintendent Brunton: Hopefully by the next meeting there will be an update- principals are finalizing numbers

4. OAPCE Report - Jennifer Millson

- OAPCE had a meeting at the end of March- a new director from Niagara has been appointed- provincial board of directors is growing
- Working on a provincial newsletter- members will receive this if they have signed up to be on the email distribution list- tweeted out and available on website- will outline projects behind the scenes, including a conference at end of May- less than 10 percent are ready to return in person, majority prefer hybrid
- The bishop joined the March meeting to bring attention to Catholic Education Week
- Provincial trustees attended as well and provided update on status of PPM 167- online learning- graduation requirement- key areas of advocacy from parents and trustees have been successful-raising awareness and discussing parents' choice to opt in or opt out of choosing Catholic content
- Slide deck will be forthcoming in the upcoming months along with updates regarding the Catholic Virtual Ontario Project

5. SEAC Report – Laurie-Anne Clarke

- Last meeting held March 9<sup>th</sup>
- Conversation on students with differing abilities- to show how they represented in Fully Alive and Growing in Faith and Growing in Christ programs

- Presentation for social work and mental health supports- theme titled: More than ever we all need support
- Game on resource presentation
- April 28<sup>th</sup> Pro Grant titled: Transitions community supports and services- target audience for parents FDK to 17-year-olds
- April 20<sup>th</sup> Laurie-Anne is unable to attend the SEAC meeting- requesting representation for that evening  
Mike Brunetto: available to attend the SEAC meeting on behalf of Laurie-Anne Clarke. Locally, there is PLASP and YMCA for after school care, but in secondary there are no after school programs available- trying to make the connection- a large initiative.

6. Parish Representative Report –Gabriel Ogundele- Nil

7. ACCESS DP –Carla Mynerich- Nil

8. Monthly Member Update Report – Nil

**E Information / Committee Updates- Dominique Darmanin- Sturgeon**

1.
  - Parent engagement held on March 30- Lung Health Foundation- well attended information session- thank you to Brian Diogo who presented school portion
  - Attended Day of World Peace observance and liturgy at the CEC- demonstrated solidarity due to violence associated with war- flag was raised at the board office- beautiful liturgy
2. CCCSC In-Service Committee Update- Nil

**F Other-**

Dinah Langley: Presentations have taken place where schools had brought in an Indigenous artist who made moccasins as part of reconciliation- does the board have a vendor

Superintendent Brunton: We can connect with our coordinator Jodie Williams; The Moccasin Project has been hosted in some Dufferin Peel schools

**G Questions Asked by Public- Nil**

**H Closing Prayer – Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon**

**I. Adjournment Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon**

**Moved by** Roxanne Smith

**Seconded by** Karen Dancy

**THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED at 9:05 pm**

***CARRIED***

**J. Future Meetings**

Thursday, May 5, 2022

Thursday, June 16, 2022