

MINUTES

Central Committee for Catholic School Councils (CCCSC)

Thursday, May 9th, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

CEC – Board Room

Members Present:	Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon	Chair and Brampton West Secondary Representative
	Adrian Scigliano	Superintendent
	Brian Diogo	Superintendent
	Karen Dancy	Vice Chair and Brampton North-East Secondary
	Laurie-Anne Clark	Mississauga Brampton Central Secondary Alternate, SEAC Rep
	Herman Vilorio	Trustee
	Diana Carlesimo	Mississauga South- Elementary Rep, OAPCE Director
	Diana Speranza	Principal/Vice-Principal Secondary Association
	Alexandra Sikorski	Mississauga Brampton Central Elementary
	Jennifer Cazabon	Mississauga Brampton Central Secondary
	Natasha Kovar	Mississauga East Elementary
	Catherine Rivera	Mississauga East Secondary
	Amanada Le Blanc	Mississauga North Elementary
	Maria Commisso	Dufferin-Peel Elementary Unit OECTA
	Thomas Murphy	Dufferin-Peel Elementary Unit OECTA
	Sheena Tennesse	Brampton North East Elementary
	Anthony Marchao	Brampton West Elementary
	Stacey Budd	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton Elementary
	Sunny Kanabe	Brampton East Caledon Dufferin Malton Secondary
Recorder:	Gabriel Ogundele	Parish Rep
	Angela Charette	Executive Administrative Assistant

A. Routine Matters

- 1. Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
- 2. Prayer led by Superintendent Scigliano
- 3. Land Acknowledgement - Superintendent Diogo
- 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
Mary Boules
 - c. Identification of Observers and Guests- Nil
- 5. Approval of Minutes, April 11, 2024
Moved by Sunny Kanabe
Seconded by Jennifer Cazabon

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, APRIL 11, 2024, BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

- 5. Approval of Agenda, May 9, 2024
Moved by Karen Dancy
Seconded by Laurie Anne Clarke

THAT THE AGENDA OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCILS MEETING, MAY 9, 2024 BE APPROVED.

CARRIED

- a. Business Matters- Nil

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B. Presentation – Nil

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B. Standing Items**1. Trustee Report – Herman Vioria**

- i. Virtue of acceptance aligns with Catholic social teachings at the Dufferin-Peel school environments that are safe, caring, healthy and inclusive for our students, families, and staff
- ii. Catholic Education Week May 5 – 10- *We are Called to Love*- highlight what Catholic Education means, celebrate distinctive identity of Catholic schools- 29 schools in Ontario and locally as 500 publicly funded Catholic schools across the Archdiocese of Toronto. All Catholic Education Week resources available on the [Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association \(OCSTA\) website](#)
- iii. May 1 observed as DPCDSB Staff Appreciation Day
- iv. May 6-10- Mental Health Week- students participate in a selection of wellness activities and resources provided by the DPCDSB Well-Being Department, which can be embedded in everyday lessons. At the local school level, one day of this week can be designated as a wellness day, the focus of which is “Wellness for Success”. It provides an opportunity for students to ‘pause’ and focus on catching up, reviewing, and resetting goals.
- v. Stopr continues to monitor contracted bus operators through monthly reporting, currently enough drivers to service all routes
- vi. Chipmunk Parent Application- regular meetings between Stopr and vendor through testing, and readiness of system
- vii. 64 DPCDSB schools received school bus safety training- school bus safety sessions presented to 58 DPCDSB schools- remaining will receive sessions before end of school year- school bus evacuation training can be provided through online link and in person by school bus operators
- viii. First Time Rider Safety Program held August 24th- save the date sent in January
- ix. DPCDSB operates regular programs at 151 schools- 125 elementary and 26 secondary- schools range in age if four years old to 70 years old- over 70% of current schools constructed since 1980s, largest grouping between 1996 and 2005
- x. Enrollment decline from the 2022-2023 to 2023-2024 school year- over 193 students- admission and demission of students year over year, changing demographics of Pell Region and emigrating form jurisdiction of Dufferin Peel- some areas show growth- LTFMP shows changes through such as school additions, business case requests through Minisy of Education and funding, realignment of school boundaries, program changes and pupil accommodation reviews (PAR). More information on Board of Trustees Ministry of Education and Finance Committees April 9th, 2024 Meeting agenda
- xi. Energy management integrated part of Dufferin-Peel’s LTMFP to support instructional services and facility operations- energy conservation contributes to long

term sustainability and containing total cost of utilities- performance review revealed significant energy reduction and containment of costs by DPCDSB as a result of a concerted system-wide effort to manage energy demand. Pandemic changed how schools operated and impacted energy- consumption initially fell in 2020 when schools were closed, consumption levels increased once schools re-opened due to a list of substantial operational changes- increased fresh air ventilation, increased filtration requirements, expanded operating hours of HVAC equipment before and after regular school hours, deployment of 3000 HEPA air scrubbers, additional air conditioning being installed in 15 schools in 2022- Dufferin Peel back on track conserving energy- 6% reduction in 2023

- xii. 2024 Facilities Renewal Plan finalized- rising labour and material costs, ongoing supply chain sourcing issues, Dufferin Peel taking targeted approach in 2024 to focus on priority renewal. Majority of work scheduled to take place in summer months, with some work occurring on evenings and weekends in fall- supply chain issues affect construction industry with some projects deferring to 2025 . Smaller projects through operational funding
- xiii. Board facilities use by community groups based on minimum cost recovery- last increase was 2019-2020- Dufferin Peel and Peel working to establish new permit rates effective September 1, 2024- alignment and consistency between two school boards
- xiv. April 16, 2024 Board Bylaw and Policy Review Committee meeting, the Board of Trustees updated Policy 1.05: Accidents and Illness, revised Policy 2.10: Approval and Use of Student Learning Materials, Recission of Policy 4.90: Pregnant Students in Dufferin Peel Schools, Revised Policy 10.00: Homework- Kindergarten to Grade 12, including students with modified curriculum expectations and alternative curriculum expectations, Policy 8.06: Flag Protocol
- xv. Every effort made to ensure certified teachers in classroom when educators absent- when unable to do so, in accordance with Education Act, board utilizes emergency instructors to ensure student safety
- xvi. Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops extends invitation to families, parishes, dioceses, and faith communities to celebrate Annual ‘ National Family and Life Week’ May 13-19, 2024. Dufferin Peel invites staff and students to celebrate human life through resources provided by CCCB
- xvii. Dance showcase held April 24, 2024 at Iona Catholic Secondary School- 30 elementary schools participated. Coaches included principals Sandra Donaghue, Tanya Brancalion and Isabel Sauve
- xviii. Wishing all mothers and mother figures a Happy Mother’s Day

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2. Superintendent Report- Adrian Scigliano

- i. Volunteer of the year- selection committee met- 18 nominees from different schools brought forward, deadline did not require an extension- suggestions brought forward for elementary and secondary category for next year

Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon: Parents in past years advocated that every nominee receives an item to be recognized

Superintendent Scigliano, responding to Natasha Kovar clarified that parents do not join secondary student councils at school, as older students take on a vibrant role at school and initiatives

Sunny Kanabe: Secondary students may however attend the parent council meetings

Jennifer Cazabon: Student council engage with parent council, if supported by administrators- partnership is there- opportunities to engage in secondary school- leadership roles for post-secondary

- ii. Guest speakers- CAS presentation in October, and Alexis Locker presentation on vaping that needed to be rescheduled- recommendation to propose Dr. ABC- CCCSC could financially support presentations in both north and central locations- pro grant financial support also available- could reach out to a school in central Mississauga as well as another location- presentations could be open to everyone with a central focus

Responding to Karer Myers-Barnett, Superintendent Scigliano confirmed that presenters are vetted- specific concerns regarding a presenter please share with Superintendent Scigliano

- iii. Parents can add tentative future CCCSC dates to calendars- Chairs event on Thursday, October 17th, November 14th is election of Executive and new committee, November 28th virtual training sessions, December 5th Advent celebration, Monday February 3rd, March 6th, April 10th, proposing May meeting be deferred as it is a busy time in schools but perhaps a selection committee still meet for Volunteer of the Year Awards, June 19th Volunteer of the year award presentations

Diana Carlesimo: Suggestion to hold a tentative date if required

Jennifer Cazabon: Request if date is deferred, any pertinent information be sent out to members

Superintendent Scigliano: May meeting is tentative to be voted on April 10th

Jennifer Cazabon: Request for another uniform vendor to be available to parents due to poor quality and high prices

Superintendent Scigliano: Can discuss with supply chain, prices reasonable compared to some other vendors

Karen Dancy: Suggestion that schools accept used uniforms from graduating students to offer to future student

Karen Myers- Barnett: Request to bring suggestion back that uniforms are standard and do not always fit every body type

Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon: Responding to Diana Carlesimo's question regarding the two-year term, child is graduating so new Chair will be elected in the fall

Superintendent Scigliano: Responding to Stacey Budd, that there are fundraising rules in policy, but change in landscape- information could be shared with CSC- they have not been shared in the past with online virtual training, but will look into this

Superintendent Diogo: Responding to Stacey Budd, the survey that was sent out to principals called Consultation on Proposed Dress Code, for the survey

Jennifer Cazabon: Suggestion that online fundraising online applications be reviewed- long process to use household vendors such as Flip give

Diana Carlesimo: Suggestion to reconsider delivery method for survey, and changes to policies and bylaws to make easier for parents to receive information

Superintendent Scigliano: Information posted on board websites, communication shared with advisory groups

Superintendent Scigliano: Responding to Karent Myers-Barnett's question if board looks through Equity lense, the board does liase with both BCAC and IEAC that share with parent committee groups

Karen Myers-Barnett: Request to review structure, with subcommittee groups- elected members of other groups not permitted to join BCAC, application process in place difficult

- iv. Math group in Program has worked to create a commercial that will be promoted

Superintendent Diogo: Rollout is being worked on, by May or June- will request an update to share with local CSC – other platforms may be looked at to share the information- will investigate Chair Dominique Darmanin- Sturgeon's request to look into Advisory councils be part of the process- timelines can be reviewed

Jennifer Cazabon: Suggestion that CSC survey be sent earlier – secondary councils typically meet February and May- after the deadline- extension beneficial- in consultation with Budget Consultation Meeting timelines

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3. Ontario Association of Parents In Catholic Education (OAPCE) Report- Diana Carlesimo

- i. Regional conference April 13, 2024- well attended with vendors and speakers- conference highlights available on website-Archbishop Leo spoke of importance ensuring catholic faith
- ii. Minister Lecce discussion on cell phones and vaping
- iii. Parents to Parents Press will be forthcoming
- iv. Diana Carlesimo available to attend CSC meetings at other schools
- v. May 29th virtual meeting- hybrid option available
- vi. OAPCE Directors invited to Queens Park to meet with Minister Lecce and Mayor Doug Ford
- vii. OAPCE AGM held June 10th- virtual meeting- information available on website

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4. Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) Report- Laurie- Ann Clark

- i. Last month committee viewed Budget Consultation meeting
- ii. Upcoming meeting being held on May 15th
- iii. Pro Grant evening- May 23rd Employment Fair at St. Marcellinus CSS- flyer will be forthcoming

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5. Diocesan/Parish Representative Report- Gabriel Ogundele- Nil

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C. Information/Committee Updates

1. Correspondence- Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon

- i. Dr. ABC Parent Engagement Presentation attended- encouraged to bring speaker back
- ii. Next CCCSC meeting- 6:30 pm start time with Volunteer of the year award recipients- nominees will be recognized

Diana Carlesimo: Clarification requested regarding Family of Schools restructuring- Superintendent Scigliano will investigate when that will be more broadly announced

Sunny Kanabe: Suggestion to host October Chairs meeting at St. Marguerite d'Youville Catholic Secondary School

Karen Myers-Barnett: Mindful of northern schools, and central location

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6. CCCSC In Service Committee Report- Nil

CARRIED

D. Adjournment/ Closing Prayer

The Closing Prayer was led by Chair Dominique Darmanin-Sturgeon.

E. Future Meetings

Thursday, June 20, 2024 - Volunteer of the Year Award Presentation & final meeting of the school year

F. Adjournment

Moved by Sunny Kanabe

Seconded by Karen Dancy

THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 9:10 pm

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